

A Page of General Interest to Women Readers

Cynthia Grey's Mail-Box

[Correspondents are requested to make their inquiries as brief as possible, and to write on one side of the paper only. It is impossible to give replies within a stated time, as all letters have to be answered in turn. No letter can be answered privately.]

Two Tall Brothers.

Dear Miss Grey—I guess this is my first letter to your Mail-Box, so I trust it will keep clear of the W. P. B. Please be kind enough to answer the following questions:

1. What is the meaning of these names: William, Emily, Charles, Donald, Leslie, George, May, Jackie, and Doris, and Archibald?
2. Which is the best thing to clean teeth?
3. I am 8 feet 2 inches in height. Do you think I am tall enough for 21 years of age?
4. My brother is 6 feet 1 inch in height. Do you think he is too tall for 18 years old?

I remain, STUMPY'S BROTHER.

Ans.—1. William, defender or protector; Emily, energetic; Charles, strong, or manly; Donald, proud chief; Leslie, joy; George, a landowner; May, a short form of Mary, or name given after the month of May; Jackie, same as John, gift of God; Doris, gift of God; Archibald, extremely bold.

2. There are many good patent preparations: get your dentist or druggist to recommend one.

3. Yes, you're do.

4. A fine height.

Spotted a Husband.

Dear Miss Grey—Knowing how to sympathize with "In Distress" in regard to the bedbug pest, am sending personal experience, which was effective. Like her, we moved into a large house and kept boarders years ago, and this house was "loaded" with bedbugs, and while sending beds, springs, cracks in the wall, etc., a neighbor came in and told us that there was nothing better to use than insect powder. We

husted off to the drugstore where it was sold, pure and strong, and by sifting the powder into every crack and cranny about the bed we finished those bugs. Each morning for several days, before the beds were made, the powder was sifted on the corners of the mattress and every place that a bedbug could roost. It completely annihilated them. But whether the powder, without the boiling water, would have made as thorough a slaughter we do not know. But we do know we never had any more bugs. The varnished beds can be easily renovated if the hot water does any damage to them, and by using a perforated can the powder can be applied in a few minutes. We used a spice can with perforated cover. Hoping this will help "In Distress," as we have often been helped by the Women's Page.

Here is a true story for "Star That Guides," and all other stars in The Advertiser:

Several years ago, a girl, with just such ideas as "Star," married her Lechman, who was a model young man in many ways. She anticipated his every wish, "consulted him in every little detail," but failed, I think, to tell him 150 times a day she loved him, fearing it might become monotonous conversation, and now, after six years of married life the following is a common occurrence in her life, or similar experiences are: He drove his horse and rig to the door of their lovely farm home and called: "Say, hand out my coat." She trotted obediently upstairs and brought his tweed overcoat. He said: "Oh, not that one; I want my fur coat; it's cold today." So she went back upstairs with his tweed overcoat and brought down his fur coat, which he took without thanks, and as he was

FASHION LIKES STRIPES

Miss Betty Brown Wears 'Em Up and Down



Fashion has garbed herself in stripes for the early summer season. Sometimes these stripes are blue and black, sometimes red and brown, but more frequently they are black and white. This model, designed by Mme. Alla Ripley, of the Fashion Art League of America, shows how effectively the stripes may be used if the vertical lines of the skirt are reversed in the bodice. A coat to match the dominant color of the gown adds to the attractiveness of the costume in stripes.

Old Songs and Poems

OLD AND ONLY IN THE WAY.

[Sent by "Lonesome Kid."]
As we walk down the street, oh, how often do we meet,
Some poor old man whose life is naught but woe;
With age his form is bent, in his pocket not a cent,
And for shelter he does not know where to go.

With relations by the score, who would turn him from their door;
As they meet him on the street they look away
If you find why it is, he will answer like this:
"I'm poor and old and only in the way."

Chorus:
Then let us cheer them on, they can't be with us long;
Don't sneer at them because they're old and grey;
But remember while you're young that the day to you may come,
When you'll be old and only in the way.

Once there was a time, I hear, when the young were not so queer;
But since that time there's come an awful change:
Young men with health and work, their parents old do shrink;
It happens every day, 'tis nothing strange.

This poor old man, infirm, his children him do spurn,
And for death I'm sure he often times does pray;
After toiling all his life for them and his faithful wife,
At last he finds he's only in the way.

Chorus:
Now my little song, be sure, is for rich as well as poor,
For, take a rich man when he's grown old,
Friends grasp him by the hand and relatives round him stand,
Averting him to die—they want his gold.

News of the Canadian War Contingent Association

A splendid donation to the C.W.C.A. from the Windsor ladies, per Miss Nisbet, consists of 1 gallon grape juice, 2 bottles ginger cordial, 2 plum cakes, 2 large packages jam, and jelly, and two packages tobacco. This generous gift will go to Dr. Casgrain's Stationary Hospital.

Other gifts are: Mrs. Fred Hammond, \$5 for fruit; Mrs. Donna McCrimmon, \$1; Women's Patriotic League, Denfield, per E. Robson, \$25.85; Misses Douglas, \$10; Mrs. Nathaniel Mills, \$1; Mrs. Charles Elliott, \$2.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Hyde Park branch will meet at the home of Miss Norma MacKenzie on Tuesday, June 1, at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Laura Rose Stephen, of Huntingdon, Que., and Miss Present, of Blenheim, will address the meeting. All ladies are cordially invited.

Advertiser Patterns

1289—A New and Stylish Skirt—Ladies' Skirt (in Raised or Normal Waistline).

Grassoline, in the new sand shades or in green or brown would be nice for this model. It is equally good for gabardine, serge, poplin or voile, and lovely for taffeta, linen or gingham. The front forms a wide panel with added yoke, which likewise forms panel sections. Pleated portions over the sides give fullness and grace to this attractive model. The pattern is cut in six sizes: 22, 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32 inches waist measure. It will require 3 1/2 yards of 32-inch material for a 24-inch size. This skirt measures about 3/4 yards at its lower edge, with plaits drawn out.

A pattern of this illustration mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents in silver or stamps.

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I. O. D. E. NEWS TOLD IN THIS COLUMN

Presentation for 7th Regt. Chapter Member—United Chapters Plan Band Concert.

Mrs. W. H. Coles entertained the members of the 7th Regiment Chapter, I. O. D. E., at her residence, Princess avenue, on Thursday. After spending a social afternoon, Mrs. A. J. Campbell, on behalf of the chapter, presented Miss Leta Butler with a handsome cluny lace centre, in a few happy words, wishing her and her future partner long life and happiness. Miss Butler, who is a sister of Capt. Chester Butler, will enter a matrimonial alliance with Mr. Waller very shortly. The 7th Regiment chapter will meet, on Tuesday afternoon, June 1st, in Cronyn Hall, when important business will require the attendance of all the members.

Mrs. Cl. T. Campbell, treasurer Soldiers' Comfort Fund, yesterday acknowledged the following donations: Mrs. Smallman, "Waverley" afternoon bridge, \$36; Mrs. Edge, afternoon bridge, \$12.

The Soldiers' Comfort committee acknowledges the following donations from the Seventh Regiment chapter: 41 towels, 3 scarves, 2 suits pyjamas, 10 handkerchiefs, 3 packages old linen, 1 dozen 4-inch bandages, 1 dozen 2-inch bandages, 12 pairs socks, 6 pairs wristlets.

From the Lord Roberts chapter: 6 night-shirts, 26 pillow cases, 16 pairs socks, 216 handkerchiefs, 18 sheets, 86 towels.

Bowl number 10, sent from London I. O. D. E. to Shorncliffe military hospital contained 234 towels, 46 pillow-cases, 1 dozen 4-inch bandages, 1 dozen 2-inch bandages, 2 packages linen, 1 package cotton, 16 handkerchiefs, 55 pairs socks, 1 Balalaiva cap, 1 pair wristlets, 3 scarves.

A very enthusiastic sewing meeting of the Lord Roberts chapter was held in Cronyn Hall, yesterday afternoon, when a large number of members gathered for work. Mrs. Puddicombe was hostess at afternoon tea.

The local chapters I. O. D. E. hope to hold a sacred band concert for the Soldiers' Comfort fund, on Sunday evening, June 6th, at a quarter to nine, in Victoria Park. The new Italian band, through the courtesy of Mayor Stevenson, will render a program of sacred and patriotic airs. The hour is placed late enough not to conflict at all with the church services. A number of prominent London men will be stationed at the gates to receive the contributions from citizens for the Comfort Fund.

You would be very annoyed to know that the quality of your Salada had been reduced. Rest well assured that this will never happen. It is the deplorable fact that the high standard of Salada quality shall never be influenced by market conditions. When the cost increases the price must remain the same, but the quality remains the same always.

VICTORIAN ORDER BOARD HOLDS MEETING

89 Cases Reported for the Month at Regular Meeting, Yesterday.

At a meeting of the local board Victorian Order of Nurses, held Friday morning, Mrs. Barker occupied the chair. An interesting report of the work here, was read by Mrs. Moorhouse, the secretary, showing a goodly amount of supplies on hand at present for maternity bags. Special lines of effort are pre-natal visits and child welfare work.

A very hearty vote of thanks and appreciation was passed by the board for the donation of \$27 received from Mrs. Zimmerman's school. Each year since the organization of the V.O.N. here, the pupils of this school have given an acceptable money donation. Miss Edwards, on behalf of the nurses, reported 89 cases and 479 visits during the month. It was decided to publish a monthly list of the donations received.

The board referred with regret to the withdrawal from the Victorian Order in the vicinity surrounding London, asking them to investigate conditions, and ascertain if a nurse for rural nursing was really desired and required.

The matter of a Victorian Order nurse to do district nursing in rural sections was discussed. On several occasions, the local V. O. nurses have been asked to attend cases in the country, but it is against the rules of the Order for a city appointed nurse to do so. It was decided to communicate with the women's institutes in the vicinity surrounding London, asking them to investigate conditions, and ascertain if a nurse for rural nursing was really desired and required.

LONDON ADVERTISER COOK-BOOK

Recipes Supplied by Cynthia Grey's Readers.

[Jessie C. P.]

Sweet strawberry short cake—Wash and stem 3 pints of strawberries and put in bowl, add 2 cups of sugar and crush slightly.

Short cake—1 pint flour, 2 teaspoonfuls baking powder, 1/2 cup butter, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 or 2 eggs and a little milk. Rub flour, butter, sugar and baking powder together, beat eggs, and add to the milk. Bake in separate layer cake tins, cover bottom layer with the crushed strawberries, then top layer on, and cover all over with strawberries, reserving some of the crushed berries for an additional helping over each service.

Never use a knife to mix the dough as it makes it tough, press out about an inch thick, bake in a moderate oven about fifteen minutes, and serve warm.

RED CROSS COLUMN

From the Wyoming branch Red Cross, comes a generous shipment containing 5 pairs pyjamas, 3 night shirts, 10 flannel shirts, 10 pairs socks, 80 pairs bandages, School Section No. 7, Plympton, 25 sheets, 137 rolls bandages, Ekfrid Patriotic League, 2 pairs socks; Red Cross Circle, Watford, 85 pillow-cases, 9 towels, 12 sheets, 4 hospital cases, 9 towels; quantity of wash cloths and handkerchiefs; Ladies' Guild, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Kerwood, 192 bandages, 1 sheet, 2 bundles of wash clothes, 5 undies mouth awabs; Rochester Red Cross, 2 pneumonia jackets, 32 pillow slips, 21 towels, 9 sheets, 34 day shirts; Mrs. Lucas, Fulton, 5 night shirts, 10 pairs socks; Red Cross Society per Mrs. John Murray, Wilton Grove, 12 towels, 1 bandage.

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Little Miss MAIDEN CANADA

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Now, Miss Grey, I have read with great interest the many letters published in your column in The Advertiser and have had many a good laugh over some of them. Poor "Star That Guides" will wish she was on the other side of the globe, I should think. By this time she ought to have her mind made up. At any rate, if she lives up to what she intends for her home may be happy enough. I think it all depends on what her "hubby" is. If he is crankier and crosser than fourteen bears, no doubt there will be a mixup when she is lavishing all those kisses on him. But if he loves her as she loves him, things may run smoothly.

I read the letter that "Rosebud" wrote, and I think she is altogether too hard on the country boys. I live in the country myself, and I have met with none of those boys who are so heathenish in their manner as she deems them. It must be a queer country where she lives. However, if she likes the city boys that slouch down the street with a cigar stuck in their mouth and yelling smart things at the girls on the street, all I can say about the matter is, let her stick to the city dudes.

Now, Miss Grey, do not think that I think all the city boys are of this sort, for surely there are many well-bred, good-mannered boys in the city, are there not?

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As this is a long letter, and is also my first one, I think I will make it my last one.

1. By the way, what do you think of my writing? I left school when I was twelve. My grammar is so terrible it will not stand criticism, so I hope none of the readers will try it.

2. What would be a nice way to make a blue serge skirt for a junior miss? Are the yokes and pleats in style?

3. What would be nice for a sport or "knockaround" hat for the hot months for a junior girl?

Thanking you, I remain, ROSA.

Ans.—I am glad to hear you say that you do not think all the city youths ill-mannered, or our Mail Box would be swamped with protests from dwellers

putting it on he said: "Say, skin upstairs and get my mitts; they are in that other overcoat pocket." She skinned.

This was altogether foreign to his nature before he married this woman, who has so completely spoiled him he thought for others, courtesy and nearly every other gentlemanly trait. And what has she accomplished beyond making life unbearable for his second wife—because she now looks old enough to be his mother, and cannot stand the pace many years more!

Will "Star That Guides" write to The Advertiser telling us how it is in her case in five years, as a favor. There are no children in this home spoken of. Could you please tell me how to care for an Easter lily after it has bloomed, and will it be of any use to plant next fall?

None of the readers sent in the old song asked for in my last letter. Allow me to move a vote of thanks. Perhaps someone may have the words without the music; if so, will they please send them in.

Thanking you in advance.

Ans.—Your comment on things in general I pass on to others.

If you dry out the lily bulb and keep it in a cool, dry place until next autumn, then plant it in a pot, it should grow and bloom by the spring, with ordinary care.

No, the old song was never received, but perhaps someone may send it in now.

Love on Both Sides.

Dear Miss Grey—I do not approve of the way the married women have written regarding "Star That Guides" letter, I will give my opinion. I think she will certainly be happy if all goes right, and if some of those who are complaining so of their husbands would try a few of her plans, they may have less to complain of. Also if her plans fail, that will be the time for her to see these castles that are built in the air don't always hold good. I think it is a shame the way women have written. They seem as if they think because they didn't get an ideal husband, there are none in the world. There are lots of good men, also women, but somehow when they are married they can't agree. I think there is not enough of the right spirit in their hearts; of course, in some cases the man is the one to blame; other cases, the woman. I have seen homes like this where the man was too good to his wife and she didn't return his kindness as all, then again, where the woman worked hard and did everything she could to please her man, yet he thought he was doing his part just to be kind to her. If one has to do must be love and kindness on both sides, to make a happy home.

Now, just one question: Would a baby be 18 months old when the mother is white embroidery dresses made with a yoke? He is rather tall for his age.

Wishing you every success.

Ans.—Would not advise your making any new dresses like this for him, but, of course, he can wear out the old ones. The little romper suits, and the Russian styles, seem just the thing for even a wee boy.

I agree with you, that it is necessary for man and wife to "pull together" in making a happy home. If one has to do all the being nice and kind, troubles are sure to begin before long.

Depends on Hubby.

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