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**WEDDING GUESTS MAY WEAR HALF MOURNING.**  
 London, June 1.—At the Maidstone Drexel and other important weddings will occur during the period of mourning for the late King. It is intimated that the guests at the functions may wear white or half mourning.

**Driving Auto Across Continent Is Better Than Pouring Tea**



MISS BLANCHE SCOTT, WHO IS DRIVING AN AUTO FROM COAST TO COAST.

"It is more pleasant driving an automobile across country than pouring tea at an afternoon reception; at least that's the way I feel about it."  
 This is what Miss Blanche Scott, society girl of Rochester, N. Y., who is driving an Overland car across the country, says: Miss Scott's route is from New York to San Francisco, and she will cross the great American desert. Miss Amy Phillips is accompanying her on the long journey.  
 "Why, we are having a real bully time," Miss Scott declared, and Miss Phillips smiled her approval. "I have been driving an automobile for a long time, and just decided I would attempt the trip across the country."  
 The plucky young woman's route has been so arranged that she will spend every night in some town where there are good hotel facilities. She is not making an attempt to set a new speed record of the continent girthing trip, but her average run will be about 150 miles per day.

**ETIQUETTE OF HOME WEDDINGS**

**Floral Decorations an Important Adjunct -- Suggestions for the Wedding Supper-- Travelling Suit for Bride.**

A great many of my readers seem to be going to embark upon the sea of matrimony this coming June, and to one and all the heartiest good wishes are extended. Long ago when my nurse of many years' standing was being married in our home I remember the clergyman saying: "There should be two bears in every family"—here he paused and I wondered much about the bears, "bear and forbear." This saying has stuck in my memory ever since, and it seems to contain the gist of all married happiness.

Now as to the etiquette of quiet home weddings. One of my girls writes and says: "I am going to be married very quietly in June, and am much perplexed about the etiquette of the whole affair. Is it correct to walk into the drawing room with the bridesmaid and father or whoever is going to give one away? Can one ask the minister to stay to the supper, the wedding is at six, if he is not a personal friend?"  
 I am only too glad to help any of my readers out of their perplexities to the best of my ability. With regard to quiet home weddings it is a pretty idea to decorate the house as beautifully as possible with flowers and ferns and growing plants. This time of the year it is little expense when everything is budding and blooming. The family and the bride's friends can do this for her. Some special floral decoration should be put at the end of the drawing room where the ceremony is to take place and a couple of hassocks or a small rug to kneel upon. Then at the appointed time the bridegroom enters, accompanied by the best man, and stands at the left hand of the clergyman. The bride comes in on the arm of her father or whoever is giving her away, followed by her bridesmaid or bridesmaids. After the ceremony, which is usually quite short, the supper can be served from a large table in the dining room. Unless the party is very small it is better to serve it from the table and not have a regular sit-down meal. Salads, cold meats, hot dishes, if preferred, such as creamed chicken or lobster newburg, soups, charlotte russe, cakes, coffee, lemonade, or whatever drinks are preferred, these form suitable items of the menu. The wedding cake is cut first by the bride and passed above cut in small pieces. The fashion of wedding cake in boxes has gone out. With regard to the clothes worn, the bridegroom and groom wear frock coats and light trousers, top hats and light gloves. The bride wears either the regulation wedding dress with veil or any pretty light frock without veil or hat. At a church wedding where the ordinary white wedding dress is not worn a hat is usual, but for a quiet home wedding it would be more suitable to wear a hat unless the bride is married in her traveling dress, when she wears the hat she is going away in.

At a house wedding the guests are received by the hostess and host. Then at the appointed time the father goes to escort the bride downstairs and into the drawing room accompanied by the bridesmaid. After the ceremony it is customary for the guest to shake hands with bride and groom and stand together to receive congratulations and good wishes. Certainly the officiating clergyman or minister should be asked to stay. Sometimes in a house wedding he is asked to propose the health of the young couple, in which case the bridegroom has to make a short reply. If there is any further information wanted perhaps some of the brides-to-be will write again.—A. C. in Montreal Star.

She—What was that noise I heard in the hall last night?  
 He—I guess, my dear, it was the day breaking.

**ETIQUETTE OF WOMEN AFTER THE FLIES WHO ENGLISH QUEENS WERE**

**Municipal League Joins Crusade Against the Pest and Sends Out Bulletin Teaching Preventive Measures.**

The Woman's Municipal League has joined in the crusade against the fly and has mailed to all its members—who during the summer will be scattered over the entire continent, and will, therefore, have many opportunities for carrying light to those who sit in darkness—the special bulletin of the fly fighting committee of the American Civic Association.

The folder contains some unpleasant but useful information, which is not as familiar as it might be, in spite of the publicity that has been given to this subject.  
 "The fly you see walking over the food you are about to eat is covered with filth and germs," says the folder, and continues:—  
 "If there is any dirt in your house or about your premises, or those of your neighbors, he has just come from it. It is his home. Watch him as he stands on the lump of sugar industriously wiping his feet. He is wiping off the disease germs, rubbing them on the sugar that you are going to eat, leaving the poison for you to swallow. He wipes his feet on the food that you eat, on the faces and on the lips of your sleeping children. This does more to spread typhoid fever and cholera infantum and other intestinal diseases than any other cause. Not only does the fly scatter the seeds of disease from his body over your food but before your fruit and vegetables are placed before you they have been subjected to his filthy habits, either in the kitchen or in the stores where he flies from the horse dirt in the middle of the street to the tubercular sputum on the sidewalk, and then back to the foodstuffs displayed for sale."  
 The best way to get rid of flies, of course is to prevent their breeding, but as the housekeeper cannot control her neighbors she usually has to resort to other methods. Fortunately for her, the fly has a thirst only equalled by his hunger and takes kindly to the various potions prepared for him by careful housekeepers when they can not keep him away with screens and cleanliness. The latest, best and cheapest drink for him, says the bulletin, is made by dissolving a solution of formalin or formaldehyde in water and adding a spoonful of this liquid to a quart of a pint of water. Flies may be stupefied by burning pyrethrum powder, after which they may be swept up and burned.  
 Still another weapon is the somewhat unexpected one of sweet odors. This is the only pleasant bit of reading in the bulletin. While a fly loves the odor of filth and can smell it miles away, he doesn't like sweet odors, and the fragrance of flowers, geraniums, mignonette, lavender or any perfume will drive him away.

**SIX LOSE LIVES OFF ST. PIERRE**  
 St. Pierre, Mt., June 1.—Six fishermen lost their lives when the brigantine Mauve, of Cancale, France, struck on Point Blanc, fog early today.

**DR. ELIZABETH BLACK, WELL DEAD**  
 London, June 1.—Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, widely known in the practice of medicine, both in England, where she was born, and in the United States, where she practiced several years ago, died at her home in Hastings today. She was born at Bristol Feb. 3, 1821.

**POET-ARTIST IN PRISON**

**General's Son Recognized by a Fellow-Englishman in Castle Williams—Sentenced to 4 Years for Embezzlement.**

Pity the Bobtail,  
 Shorn of his glory,  
 Listen a moment,  
 I'll tell you his story.  
 'Listed at eighteen,  
 Said he was twenty,  
 Crazy for soldiering—  
 Got it a plenty.  
 Tried to do rightly,  
 Tried to make good,  
 Boozed got the best of him,  
 That's understood.

Strayed from his outfit,  
 Gave it leg ball,  
 Didn't care at all for it,  
 Now he's in jail.

Pity the Bobtail,  
 You that still serve,  
 You may from duty's path  
 Still some day swerve.

**A CASTLE WILLIAMS PRISONER.**

In his cell in the grim old fort on Governor's Island that is known as Castle Williams, which serves the purpose of a military prison for the delinquent United States soldiers of the Department of the East, there sat yesterday a middle-aged man. He is cultured, and his every mark is that of the gentleman born, despite the fact that he is a prisoner just ending a term of three years in the old circular fort on the north-western end of the island. Said to be the son of a distinguished general of the British army, this prisoner in his youth fought wild oats in plenty, and finally coming to the United States, enlisted in the artillery branch of the United States army.  
 That was years ago, and in due course of time the Anglo-American soldier got promotion after promotion. He had proved to be one of the best men in his command, and his was one of the crack coast artillery companies of the army.  
 Many years before strong drink had proved a curse to his ambitions, but when he became an American soldier he fought the habit and though the battle was won, he became the treasurer of a company fund. Then one day he drank heavily, and before he got sober the company fund was missing. He ran away, but came back, surrendered and said he was ready to take his medicine. He was court-martialed and sentenced to a year for desertion and three more for the misappropriation of the company fundes.

**Hops for Release.**  
 The sentence of the court sent the disgraced soldier to Castle Williams. He was told that if his behavior was good one year of his sentence would be remitted. With this year for good conduct eliminated it was figured out by the Governors Island authorities that his time would be up yesterday.

The papers went to Washington and the officers in the War Department discovered a mistake and yesterday the prisoner found that he still had four months to serve. Now it is said the president will be asked to remit the four months, and the chances are that the Castle Williams prisoner will be a free man within a week or ten days.  
 The prisoner's regular occupation is that of clothing account keeper, but in his leisure he is a verse maker and painter. He is known as "the artist of Castle Williams," and his pictures have been sold at army fetes for the benefit of the funds that are maintained to care for the widows and orphans of the soldiers who have died in the line of duty.

Many months ago there came to Governors Island a man from across the Atlantic. He was shown through the prison and in the course of the tour he went into a room the walls of which had been decorated with the work of the artist-prisoner. The Englishman looked him in the face and seemed startled. Later he said he had recognized in the prisoner the son of a famous British soldier. When the prisoner was asked about it he denied it.  
 With most of his pictures he composed verses explaining what he had in mind when he painted them. One of these is called "The Bobtail," the name that military prisoners are known by in the service. Another picture, the best known of all, for copies of it are everywhere in the army now, is entitled "Many Roads Lead to Castle 'Bill.'" It is in three panels.

**A Series of Pictures.**  
 The first is a picture in colors of the old castle and beneath it, in colors is the national coat of arms. In the next panel are seven little circles and in the centre of each is a painting in water colors of a fortification in the department of the east. Each little circular picture dangles at the end of what looks like a red-bordered ribbon. The ribbon is the road and each points to the castle in the panel above.  
 The third panel is the story in verse of the other two. It reads:  
 From fort and post o'er vale and hill  
 Many roads lead to Castle "Bill."  
 Ever the gates will open wide at  
 Always there's room for more inside.

For a hundred years and more, they say,  
 The prisoners came and went each day.

O! what tales these old walls could tell,  
 Of those who lived in each prison cell,  
 O! if those cold gray walls could speak,  
 Of the sigh of the strong, the cry of the weak.

Such stories would many a volume fill  
 Of the prisoners pent in Castle "Bill."  
 From fort and post, from many a "mill"  
 See how the roads lead to Castle "Bill."

So sad so many should not be free,  
 So close to the statue of liberty.  
 One of many other pictures is called "Bobtail at Fort Jay," and shows Bobtail's son,

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**tail shovelling snow and gazing longly at the skyscrapers in Manhattan. But Bobtail in that case did not want his "folks at home" to know the kind of castle he was staying in, and so he wrote them a letter and this appears under the picture. This is what he wrote:**

Castle Bill, N. Y., Jan. 1.  
 My Dear Parents—I am sojourning at a celebrated resort near, but not exactly on Long Island. In fact I can see from my room the lofty temples of the busy mart of commerce, but I am really far, so far as any danger is concerned, from the insidious fascinations of the great city. It is a very healthy place and my appetite is simply enormous.  
 The menu is incommensurate with the demands of my stomach, but the doctors only allow a certain and a stated quantity at regular intervals. I have plenty of outdoor exercise, which is strengthening my muscles and lessening my avoid, I retire very early and rise with the sun, sometimes before, and I am soothed to sleep by the sounds of sweet music. The physicians in charge have prescribed a course of eighteen months, and I feel that I simply must take it all in. Your loving son,  
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 Arthur Hughes and Howard Killiblan arrived home last night.  
 Casper Riedle is laying the foundation of a new house.  
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