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Cynthia Grey's Daily Mail Box.
Talks on Styles We'll Be Wearing.
Recipes by Advertiser Readers.

For

Series on Backyard Gardening.
Activities of London Women.
Items of General Interest.

Women

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.]

Married at the Minister's.
Dear Miss Grey—Here I am again to bother you. I enjoy reading the woman's page very much, and I wish you every success, also the "Star That Guides." I bet she wishes she hadn't written her letter, don't you?

1. What should a girl wear if she is to be married at the preacher's house? Should she wear hat or gloves?
2. Would a navy blue travelling suit be all right with hat to match?
3. I am going to Kansas City on a visit. What clothing would advise me to take (just common clothes)?
4. What day did June 15, 1905 come on?

5. I have dark brown hair and eyes, rather dark complexion. What are my colors?
6. I am 30 years old, and my young man is 33. Do you think he is too old for me?
Ans.—Yes, but, coat and gloves should be worn.

2. Yes, very nice, indeed.
3. You will find a wash suit of some description very useful; one in a popular sand shade would be serviceable. Then include several tub dresses for house and street wear; a silk or voile dress for special occasions, and a serge or other woolen fabric suit for cool days.
4. Thursday.

5. A brunette of your type generally looks well in brown and dark blue, cream and black mixtures, and any of the dark tones with touches of Alice blue, mahogany or carrie.

6. No.

Household Troubles.
Dear Miss Grey—I am going to ask you for your kind sympathy and help. I move into a large house last winter. I keep roomers, and now I find it over-run with bedbugs. I have tried turpentine and carbolic acid, gasoline and coal oil, all to no use, for the pests seem to be in the cracks of the walls and in the woodwork, and they are getting into the furniture. I am in poor health with rheumatism, and not able to hire

help to do my work. I judge by your kind answers to all who ask your help that you will be kind to me and tell me of some remedy that will rid me of these pests, something that would destroy them forever, for I am afraid my roomers will leave me, and that is all I have to depend on for a living. Hoping to see an answer in The Morning Advertiser, I remain, yours

IN DISTRESS.
Ans.—I certainly am sorry for you in your trouble. With this pest, I fear, though, that there is no remedy except some of those you have tried, coupled with "eternal vigilance." Some women who find bedbugs in the house religiously go over the rooms affected each week, so as to keep them in check. As you will see by Mrs. D's letter in answer to another reader, the burning of a formaldehyde candle is very effective. You could at least try this. In using any of the liquids you mention, a good way is to apply from a small machine oil can, thus reaching all the crevices.

New Dress Scored.
Dear Miss Grey—As I have received help from your valuable column before, I am calling again for more help. I have a blue and white striped foulard dress just out of the dressmaker's hands, and it was scorched when she pressed. Could you give me some idea how to get it out?

Also how to make a white organdie dress for a girl of 18?
Thanking you in advance, I remain, BLUE EYES.

Ans.—Some remove scorches successfully in this way: Mix a little white castle soap with powdered starch and enough water to make a thick paste; spread over the scorched mark, and place in the sun for a few minutes, then wash with clear water; it would be best to try this on a patch of the goods to test the color.
Ans.—Asking the Pattern Department to publish a pretty design (No. 1296), which should look very nice made up in organdie.

Burn a Candle.
My Dear Miss Grey—I noticed in last night's paper where a lady was talking about the candle for bedbugs. It was a formaldehyde candle; one is used for every 14-foot square. Take all loose paper off, if any turn everything out where huge could gather (it will not fade anything), light the candle, close the door, and fill up the cracks around door. As soon as it is done burning.

sweep the walls and floor, and shake everything, and burn all scraps you get. I think full directions go with each candle, but I am not sure; it was six years since I used it, and I have never seen a bug since. Hoping this will be of some use to "Worried," I will close, with good luck to all.

MRS. D.
P. S.—Can you or anyone else send the song "The Western Rebellions" but, as I get a lot of help from it, I thought I would write and thank the writers for the help they have given me. For I have said house for the first year as mother died nearly three years ago, leaving my brother and I the oldest of eight children; we were the widows and there were six younger, including a baby four months old. I certainly do enjoy your paper, even if I have a lot of work to do. It was a letter and found she was too young to the war; he was a soldier and of course had to go, and my brother and I run the farm. So, if father don't come back (which, of course, I hope he will), he will leave eight fatherless and motherless children all under seventeen. I almost wish I could have a talk with those girls who don't go to their mother for help instead of going to you, for if I had a mother how happy I would be.

Orphan Girl's Trouble.
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Now will you please answer a few questions for me as soon as possible:
1. I am sixteen years and a half old and am five feet seven inches tall and weigh 135½ pounds; am I too large for my age?
2. Do you think my dresses are long enough if they are down to my shoes?

3. When I read "A Foot Sufferer's" letter and found she was too young to have a gentleman friend, should I drop mine? I have been going with him for three months.
4. Am I too old to have ribbons on my hair?

5. How long after a girl becomes engaged to be married should she tell her parents and family, or should she tell them before? I guess this is all. Hoping to see this in print, AN ORPHAN GIRL.

Ans.—I think the hearts of all our readers will go out to you and your brother in your efforts to care for the younger boys and girls, and make a home for them. You have had no easy task within the past few years, and I sincerely hope that you may have

course and patience to keep on, and that the brothers and sisters may not fail to appreciate what you have been doing.

1. You certainly are a big woman for any age; you may rejoice at being big and strong.
2. Women's skirts are worn so much shorter than usual this year, that this would be all right for you.
3. Well, this is a poser! Somehow I feel that you are mature and sensible enough to give the answer yourself.
4. Seems to me with your height it would be better to cease wearing ribbons, and "do" your hair "up."
5. Well, naturally, she could not tell them beforehand something that had not happened. The girl's parents are usually asked for their consent and blessing, very soon after the girl accepts her suitor. Of course, the old-fashioned way was to ask the parents for the girl's "hand in marriage" before a man voiced his love to the maiden herself. But young folks nowadays find it convenient to ignore this custom, and take matters more into their own hands.

Old Songs Were Long.
Dear Miss Grey—I am sending the words of the old song "The British Soldier's Grave" to you. We used to sing it 25 years ago. I wonder if she knows this other one, "The British Soldier's Grave"? I am sending it to you just as I received the recipe, and thanks very much for the one you sent me, C. D.

Ans.—As you would see, the one song asked for, was published on Saturday; the other will appear shortly.

Best Ask Lawyer.
An Old Subscriber—In regard to your query re line-fence troubles, the matter is pretty complicated. You should consult legal authority in order to gain satisfactory advice.

\$500 FOR RED CROSS FROM LOBO COUNCIL.
Other Generous Gifts Acknowledged By R. C. Treasurer.

Five hundred dollars for Red Cross purposes per T. J. Turnbull, reeve, is the splendid gift received on Saturday from the Lobo Township Council. Mrs. George T. Brown, the treasurer, also acknowledges gratefully the following gifts:

Mother's Clubs of London \$75.00
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Mrs. H. A. Boomer 25
Talbot Street Kindergarten, per Miss Bapty 1.00
Employees of McCormick Meat Packing Company, per J. J. Stone 15.65
Elgin Golf and Country Club, St. Thomas 15.00
Half proceeds of three days' sales, Cowan Chocolate Company, booth and pure food show 17.50
(Remaining half went to the C. W. C. A.)
Miss Fox 1.00
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LONDON ADVERTISER COOK-BOOK
Recipes Supplied By Cynthia Grey's Readers.

Orphan Girl.
Cream Cake—One cup sweet cream, 1 cup granulated sugar, 2 eggs, 2 cups flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder.

Drum.
Bran Gems—Three-quarter cup brown sugar, butter size of an egg, 1 cup butter, 1 teaspoon soda, half teaspoon salt, 1 cup bran, 2 cups flour.

WITH THE I. O. D. E.
Every meeting of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire throughout Canada, is now opened with this special prayer:
"O God who hast taught us in Thy Holy Word, that grace to serve Thee does not bring us glory, but that we may labor for the welfare of our country; and grant that, united here in the service of our King, we may attain to the length of days."

THE BACKYARD GARDEN
What to Plant for Family of Five

CHAPTER XXII.
FOR A FAMILY OF FIVE.
[By Prof. Spade.]

The backyard of the ordinary town lot usually gives a space of from 40 to 50 feet wide, depending on the lot, and 50 to 60 feet deep. This space can be made to produce most of the vegetables required by the family, with the exception of potatoes and cabbage, which take up much more ground proportionately.

To handle this amount of ground the gardener should get a good wheel tool. If he doesn't want to have the backache, "Getting down and digging in the dirt" is poetic, but tiring. Of course, in addition to the wheel tool, which carries cultivators, weedeaters and seeders, will be sufficient. That is, the spade and the rake are necessary. These minor tools can be purchased cheaply enough, but the few dollars required for a wheel tool can be charged up to amusement, as your work in the garden is going to give you a lot of fun in addition to the crop.

Two rows of onions placed one foot apart in a garden of this size mentioned above will supply a family of five. Twenty or twenty-five feet of these can be set for early green onions, and the other space given to black seed for fall and winter use. One row divided between parsnips and celeriac.

One row of early beans and one row of lettuce will be sufficient. That is, figuring that you will be getting average results from a 40 or 50-foot row. In the lettuce row, radishes can be planted first to break the ground, and harvested before the latter crop needs the room. One hundred feet of early cabbage, set 18 inches apart, will give the family plenty. If cauliflower is used at all set about the same amount and in the same way as cabbage.

By sowing a row of extra early, a row of intermediate, a row of late and a

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know Thy presence, and obey Thy will. Thy grace and Thy love, Thy King and Empire. Give wisdom to our Sovereign and our statesmen, skill to our officers, courage to our soldiers, and especially those known or dear to us whom we name in our hearts before Thee. Comfort the suffering, relieve the sufferings of the wounded, and show mercy to the dying. Give strength to all surgeons and nurses in camp or hospital, and hasten to the aid of those who are in anxiety or sorrow.

"Remove in Thy good providence all causes and sickness from our midst. Thy great goodness restore peace among the nations.
"Give to each member of our Order grace to serve Thee faithfully, and to labor for the welfare of our country; and grant that, united here in the service of our King, we may attain to the length of days."

WOMEN'S COUNCIL WANTS POLICE COURT FOR WOMEN OFFENDERS.
Woman Officer and Separate Court Were Strongly Advocated By L. C. of W. On Saturday.

The London Local Council of Women placed itself on record as giving its indorsement to a movement for the establishing of a women's police court in this city, at a meeting held on Saturday afternoon. The matter was placed before the women's council by the president, Mrs. H. A. Boomer, and several members spoke in favor of such an institution. The feeling of the meeting was also marked by strong approval of the appointing of a woman police officer for London. A recommendation based advocating such an appointment, was unanimously supported. It was the general opinion that a woman officer with police powers would be a great protective measure for girls and

dom and reign with Thee forever; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen."

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Mrs. Brown, treasurer of the Red Cross Society, reported the receiving of a sample of the respirators to be made as soon as possible for the men on the firing line. Full instructions also accompanied the sample, and on Tuesday next, at the Red Cross rooms, Hyman Hall, the Society would be glad of all skilled workers to attend and complete the task. As is well known, of course, the idea of the respirators is to prevent the men being overcome by the poisonous gases contained in the explosives, which the Germans have been using.

A number of other matters were also discussed relating to conditions in the schools, employment bureaus, and other institutions. A strong feeling was expressed that better medical inspection of emigrants before embarking to Canada, should be enforced, also that more care in the issuing of licenses to immigrants should be exercised, and the prevailing early marriages among them stopped.

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