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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.]

Needs the Name, Too.
Dear Miss Grey—Here I am again calling pouting my drum to beat the land. Well, now isn't it nice to see a letter from a Notts Magpie. Yes, "N. M." I do know St. Ann's well road. I lived in Lotus street, St. Ann's Well road, until I was five years old. Some of my father's people live up there now. I guess at this time he is hunting them up; you know he went with London's Own. During the war, I would love to write to you; will you send me your address through the Mail-Box, please? Dear Cynthia, I saw in your Page that she may have it.

A CHILD DOESN'T LAUGH AND PLAY IF CONSTIPATED

Look, Mother! Is tongue coated, breath feverish and stomach sour?

"California Syrup of Figs" can't harm tender stomach, liver, bowels.

Mother! Your child isn't naturally cross and peevish. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign its little stomach, liver and bowels need a cleansing at once.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath bad, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomachache, diarrhoea, remember, a gentle liver and bowel cleansing should always be the first treatment given.

Nothing else "California Syrup of Figs" for children's ill; give a tea-spoonful, and in a few hours all the food waste, sour bile and fermenting food which is clogged in the bowels passes out of the system, and you have a well and playful child again. All children love this harmless, delicious "fruit laxative" and it never fails to effect a good "inside" cleansing. Directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are plainly on the bottle.

Keep it handy in your home. A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look and see that it is made by the California Fig Syrup Company.

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ADVERTISER WAR PRISONER'S FUND.

I pledge myself for the sum of..... monthly (for the following six months), towards The Advertiser Mail-Box readers' fund for prisoners of war, and herewith inclose.....
Name..... Address.....
Pen-name..... Date.....
Return to Miss Grey, in care of Advertiser.

collected it in three picture postcards from a soldier's nephew when he was in England;

They were summoned from the hill-side, they were called in from the glen. And the country found them ready at the stirring call for men. Let no tears add to their hardships, as the soldiers pass along, And, although your heart is breaking, make it sing this cheery song:

CHORUS—
Keep the home fires burning, while your hearts are yearning,
Though your lads are far away, they dream of home;
There's a silver lining through the dark clouds shining;
Turn the dark cloud inside out, till the boys come home.

O'er seas there came a pleading, "Help a nation in distress,"
And we gave our glorious laddies honor, but we do not less,
For no gallant son of Britain to a foreign yoke shall bend,
And no Englishman is silent to the sacred call of friend.

First card pictured a country road and many soldiers marching along, and a son and his aged mother in fond embrace. He has his rifle and is ready to "fall in" and march away to do his bit. Second—A mother and her family around a fire, its cheery rays falling on their sad countenances, as a small view shows their absent ones on the battlefield.

Third—A train of departing soldiers, waving their farewells to sorrowing relations and friends. A small view of a battlefield, and shells falling around brave soldiers fully equipped.

Sorry, indeed, to read the unkind remarks made about soldiers' wives, and they should spend their money. As Christmas is drawing near, with its festivity, how many heartaches there will be for absent ones! How nice it would be if the war would stop. Would not the many bells ring out the glad refrain of "Peace on earth, goodwill to men," as they never pealed before in our lifetime?

May I congratulate you, "Echo"? Such a nice gift, and so nicely given. One day as the rain was falling fast, a letter arrived from a former neighbor, and to the abundance of sunshine—a snapshot of "Mrs. Homebird" and baby, and one of Jack—oh! my pen slipped—"Mr. Homebird," to be sure, and the "Sunshine" baby, and three of baby alone at different ages.

Someone asked for a poem by Jean Blewett. Sorry I cannot supply it. I have always liked her and her poems. Also like Amy E. Campbell's writing. Have one among my treasures "Terrace Beach"—one of nature's pretty places and dear to the heart of yours truly, TOBY.

P.S.—Christmas and New Year's greetings to all.
Ans.—We do not as a rule publish the words of popular songs, but you have woven the verses so into the thread of your letter that in they go. I am glad you like Amy Campbell's poetry. I once had the pleasure of meeting and knowing her, but it was some years ago. It's not often I am invited to a birthday spread. Many happy returns.

Picking a Gift.
Dear Miss Grey,—May I call again, or have I worn my welcome out? Since I last called I have had bad news, also good; first I received word that a very dear friend had been killed in action; later another friend told me that it was a mistake, and that he (meaning my friend in active service) had not been killed, so I really don't know what to believe.

I saw by tonight's paper that "Business Girl" was going to send "Country Lad" a Christmas address, and wanted some one to send goodies. I would be very pleased if I could get his address, for I would like to remember him in my Christmas list.

What would be a suitable gift for to send a young married friend for a wedding present?
Miss Grey, I have a recipe for a Christmas pudding that you can warm up, and it is just like a cake when cooked. Who would like it?

Well, I must stop writing, and may I call again, if I am good? Best wishes and good luck. From WHITE HAZEL.

P.S.—Where are "A. B. D." "C. A." and all our old readers? Have they deserted?—W. H.

Ans.—I haven't received the address from "Business Girl" yet, but when I do, you may surely count on getting it. For your friend, there are hosts of suggestions; it depends so much on the price you wish to pay, and whether the gift is to be mailed or delivered.

If the former, table linen, an odd bit of silver tableware, scarfs for dresser or buffet, centrepiece, linen towels, hand-worked pillow slips, etc., could be sent. If weight and bulk are no object, a clock, picture, vase, cut glass bowl, jardiniere, china, crumb tray and brush, casserole, oak serving tray, writing set, or ebony set for dresser, are gift suggestions.

DAILY BIBLE QUESTION CLUB

By Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.
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The six daily studies for this week constitute the International S. S. Lesson for next Sunday. Read the Bible Story on which this study is based, as you ponder the following questions:

1. Verse 1-3—To what extent is the minister of a church responsible for its moral and spiritual condition?
2. If a minister has actual knowledge of a member of his church living an un-Christian life, what is his duty to such member?

3. To what extent is the Christian church measuring up to its duty in social service, temperance, missions, and public morals?

Advertiser Patterns



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A SMART NEGLIGEE.
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Name.....
Town.....
Province.....

Age (if child's or misses' pattern).....
Measurement: Bust..... Waist.....

Caution: Be careful to inclose the above illustration, and send size of pattern wanted. When the pattern is bust measure you need only mark 32, 34 or whatever it may be. When in waist measure, 22, 24, 26 or whatever it may be. If a skirt, give waist and length measure. When misses' or child's pattern, write only the figure representing the age. It is not necessary to write "inches" or "yards." Patterns cannot reach you in less than one week from date of application.

Questions you may like. Be sure and bring that recipe next time!

Hardest Yet To Come.
Dear Miss Grey,—To celebrate my birthday, I am again putting in my appearance. Like every other woman, I hate to tell my age, so you will have to guess it.

Oh! Oh! What's happened "Just Eighteen"? Poor dear, did you not also well, or is your "indigestion" out of order. Please take a tonic and come up smiling. I certainly do not agree with your views. True, the world is hard times, and I believe that the hardest are yet to come, but although our hearts are heavy and our purses—light, why go through the days with a frown on our faces? We can at least smile and appear bright and gay; even though it does only others good. "Smile and the world smiles with you." Smiles are cheap. I believe, "Just Eighteen," your ideas contradict your penname.

Where are all the dear old writers? I ran across an Advertiser dated June, 1911, the other day, and the "C. G. Page" was squeezed away up in the corner, and had only two letters. It was interesting and funny to read them. Oh! "Original Lonely," I have found out who and where you are. Are you lonely yet?

I am inclosing a snap of myself for Miss Grey, so if the Mail-Box is edged in black, and "In Memory of" printed, you'll know the reason. The snap was too great for her eyes.

In case I do not write again, I wish Miss Grey and all the readers, old and new, a bright and joyous Christmas and happy New Year.

THE GIRL OF THE LUMBERLOST.
Ans.—It will take more than a snapshot of our "Lumberlost Girl" to cause the demise of a hardened newspaper lady like myself. So, dear readers, do not expect the black border on this account. In fact, if "G. O. T. L." is as nice as she looks—well, I leave the rest to your imagination. Kind wishes are surely reciprocated.

Women in Civil Service.
Dear Miss Grey,—Kindly print information regarding civil service in your column as soon as possible.

1. What qualifications are necessary that one may be employed in the civil service?
2. Who should be addressed in seeking such employment?

3. Where, besides Ottawa, is such employment given?
4. What would a girl holding a teacher's certificate expect for such employment?

5. Of what does such employment consist?
Any other information on this subject will be gratefully received. Lastly, what do you think of my writing?

WAITING.
Ans.—Women in the civil service are

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LADIES' PURE SILK HOSE, Gordon make, with wide garter top, double heel and toe, in pounce, gold, sky, purple, black, white and nigger brown. Price.....\$1.50 pair

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For your kind Christmas wish, accept my sincere thanks. I wish you the same.

Notes.
"Loyal-Canadian Girl"—I am sorry to disappoint you, but we have banished coupons from our sanctum for the present at least, as they were threatening really to crowd out readers, editor and all.

"Puzzled"—A lawyer's advice is that it is not lawful to send "dunners" by postcard. Consult a lawyer as to the damages you may sue for.

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