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# WHAT EVERY WOMAN WANTS TO KNOW

Mothers' Club Meetings.  
Billie Burke Describes  
What Womanly Charm Is.

## IF YOU'VE CHARM ALL OTHER THINGS SHALL BE ADDED UNTO YOU —SO SPEAKS BILLIE BURKE

There is probably no word most women like so well to hear applied to themselves as "charming."

We speak with enthusiasm of a "fine woman," a "grand character," and our admiration is sincere; we say a girl is "splendid" or, perhaps (if we are slangy) she is "dandy," and we like her well; but the word "charming" seems to be the epitome of all that is pleasing in femininity.

A good woman takes her goodness for granted and expects all the rest of the world to do likewise, so to say that she is "good" is not a dazzling compliment—she knows that! Besides many good people, both men and women, are often considered uninteresting and this fact rather discounts what otherwise she might feel to be a fine tribute.

A woman may be attractive in appearance and yet lacking in the personality that sustains interest. She may be good as gold, yet without that charm of manner which fascinates and holds.

The quiet woman may, or may not, possess the tallismen, as is also the case with her more vivacious sister. Many brainy women have undoubted charm, but the possession of strong intellect is not an absolute guarantee of an accompanying grace of manner; while, on the other hand, there are legions of women who have little or no intellectual pretensions who fascinate us without our being able to analyze their magnetism. Nor is health an essential accompaniment, for many invalids and afflicted persons have rare charm.

"Gracious," gives something of the same idea as "charming," although it



BILLIE BURKE SHOWS HOW IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO BE FASHION-ABLE TO BE CHARMING.

cannot be used so generally, for it conveys an impression of age or station, as in Max O'Reilly's reference to Mrs. Cleveland—"the sweet, gracious woman, who received me on my first visit to the white house."

"Charming," on the contrary, may be used with reference to a child in pinafores as well as to the white-haired old lady.

Perhaps the nearest approach I can make to a definition, or rather explanation, of this elusive quality of charm is that it is the attribute of a deeply sympathetic temperament, an unselfishness which considers only the pleasure and comfort of others, and an abundant good nature, equal to all emergencies. The possessor of these characteristics is always at peace with the world, enjoys life to the utmost



KATHERINE LESLIE'S HOME CHAT

The latest freak of fashion that there is no accounting for is that of placing a watch on the wrist. It is certainly not for convenience and it is certainly not a decoration—on the tip of the evening slipper. I could hardly believe the evidence of my eye, the other day, as I looked at a pair of lovely blue satin evening slippers which were ornamented with large choux of blue chiffon. In the midst of the fluffy choux which decorated the slipper or the right foot, there reposed a small watch, blue enamel and gilded! This fashion is called in Paris la montre a l'Americaine, which shows that it is not a French fashion, but one evolved out of the brain of a creator of fashions across the line. And this again shows that Fashion, French or American, is an equally ridiculous creature when she desires to be freakish. Had our cousins, with their undoubted gift of ingenuity, placed a pedometer on the evening slipper, one could have seen some reason in this unusual decoration. Then, at least, the wearer might have been able to tell, after the ball, how far she had chased the hours with flying feet. But a watch does really seem to be beyond explanation. Now the watch on the wrist strap or bracelet is one of the most useful, most necessary inventions. Even the men folk have adopted it for various pursuits, and if that is not a recommendation, I should like to know what is! But for women it is a boon and a blessing. To time one's self in calling how convenient it is! Convention, nay courtesy, forbids one to glance at a watch drawn from a pocket while entertaining or being entertained, and the watch on the wrist, has come to the social rescue. One has only to drop one's eyes and there is the time before them. For rising, driving, motor-ing, the wrist watch is absolutely es-

### Frills of Fashion

Fancy edged taffeta, plain and in Bulgarian colorings, will be greatly used for millinery.

In children's new dresses and coats sashes and belts at the knees are very conspicuous.

The modish blouse is very simple. Fussy overtrimmed designs are no longer in good taste.

There is a new fringe of the thinnest finest beads. It trims gowns, purses or candle shades.

The new suits are of rich material—so rich that little attempt is made to introduce any trimming.

### Daily Healthogram

AIR MORE THAN 70 per cent. saturated with moisture is very oppressive when it is hot and very chilling when it is cold. Air less than 60 per cent. saturated with moisture dries the skin, throat, nose and bronchial tubes and causes infection when the air contains dust and bacteria.

## LOCAL TALENT GIVE EXCELLENT PROGRAM

Women's Music Club Members  
Attend Fortnightly  
Recital.

The seventh recital of the Women's Music Club was held yesterday in the Normal School, when a miscellaneous program arranged by Mrs. Albert D. Jordan was given by local talent. The selections were all exceedingly well rendered, and the large number of members present thoroughly enjoyed the concert.

Mrs. A. E. Jordan, president of the club, presided, and announced that the next concert would be held on the 2nd of April, the program to consist of music by German composers. Miss Minnie Raymond will provide the talent for the occasion. An additional concert will also be given on Wednesday of the following week, April 9, the program being in charge of Miss Katherine Moore.

Following is the program rendered yesterday:

1. Capriccio Brillante... Mendelssohn  
Miss Gertrude Williams.
2. Arietta... Ach. Debussy  
Miss Elsie Green.
3. (a) Nocturne in E-flat... Chopin  
(b) Etude D Minor... Heller  
Miss Helen Little.
4. Aria "M'appari tutt' amor"  
Martha Flotow  
Mr. Oliver Sinclair.
5. (a) Sextette "Lucia di Lamermoor" (for left hand)...  
Mrs. A. E. Jordan.
- (b) Staccato Caprice... Vogrich  
Miss Gladys Andrus.
6. "The Song of the Shirt"... Homer  
Miss Luta Layman.  
God Save the King.

## MOTHERS' CLUBS ST. GEORGE'S

The regular monthly meeting of St. George's Mothers' Club, held in the kindergarten room on Tuesday evening, was largely attended. Owing to the illness of the president, Mrs. Bluet, and the vice-presidents, Mesdames Peterman and Harley, the chair was occupied by Mrs. Tanner. The musical part of the program was given first, vocal and instrumental solos being rendered by Mrs. Chapman and Miss Irene Brown.

Mr. Cameron's Address.  
Mr. J. H. Cameron, B. A., of the Collegiate Institute staff, then addressed the mothers on "Principles of Education." Starting with the great educators as far back as the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, when a good education meant a knowledge of the dead languages alone, Mr. Cameron followed on down through the years, giving the principles of Montaigne, Rousseau, Pestalozzi, and Froebel. The last two, he stated, had discovered the keynote to the best means of educating the child, and today, although we are still striving more effectually probably than in years gone by to carry out their great principles, there is still much to be desired.

Mr. Cameron mentioned the manner in which our educators are handicapped by those in authority, who, although they may have a thorough comprehension of what is needed, still have one eye on the educational system, and the other on the popular vote.

That the mothers appreciated the worth of Mr. Cameron's address was evident in the sympathetic hearing tendered him. Several of those present expressed their gratitude to Mr. Cameron for so kindly devoting an evening of his time in speaking before the club.

### RECTORY STREET

Messrs. E. R. Dennis and A. M. Hunt, members of the board of education, gave interesting addresses at the regular meeting of the Rectory Street Mothers' Club, held on Tuesday evening. Owing to the illness of President Mrs. R. J. Shortt, the chair was taken by the vice-president, Miss Matthews. An interesting program was also rendered during the evening, including recitations by Mrs. Cockford, and music by Misses Kidner, Ram and Ashplant.

Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the program and addresses. A large attendance of members was present.

### Canaries Nervous

One of the common troubles with canaries and one that few bird owners realize is that of nervousness. The nervous system of a canary is as highly sensitive as that of a delicate woman. Any sudden shock to their senses, whether of sight or sound, is liable to throw them into convulsions, and often result in death. An old bird dealer mentions a frequent but rarely known cause of sickness and even death among the little creatures.

"I had two canaries," he said, "that for some reason I could not discover fell into a frightfully nervous state and started to pine away. I doctored them with all the remedies known to bird lore, but the poor creatures continued to droop in dismal decline. At last I discovered the trouble. It was mice."

"Mice are as fond of bird seeds as canaries themselves. In the darkness of the night, the mice would creep through the bars of the cage and devour the seeds, while the poor little canaries sat above, shivering themselves into a state of nervous prostration from the very terror of the monsters below. I removed the cage to a position where the mice could not get at it and my pets rapidly recovered."

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IT'S NEW.

## PROBLEMS OF THE FAIR SEX SOLVED BY CYNTHIA GREY

[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 as they are received. No letters can be answered privately.]

### How to Pack Butter.

Dear Miss Grey: Will you kindly answer a few questions?

1. What color of gray do you think would look well on me, and what should I trim it with to brighten it up? I have dark brown hair and eyes and a fair skin, with rosy cheeks. My age is between 20 and 30.

2. Would you also tell me a good skin food, something that will not make the hair grow?

3. How to pack butter so that it will keep for months?  
TOT.

A.—1. I should think a "dove" shade of gray would be becoming. For trimming use fancy buttons, narrow bands of Persian satin, and some cream lace at the neck and sleeves.

2. Best to buy a preparation from your druggist. There are many good articles of the kind you mention for sale in the drug stores.

3. This recipe may be considered "an old reliable," and will, it is claimed, keep butter sweet for a year: To three gallons of brine strong enough to bog an egg, add ¼ pound of good lard sugar and 1 tablespoonful of saltpetre. Bring the brine to a boiling point, and when it is cool strain carefully.

Pack butter closely in small jars, and allow the brine to cover it to the depth of two inches. This completely excludes the air. If practicable make your butter into small rolls and wrap each carefully in clean butter-cloth.

### Angel Food Recipe.

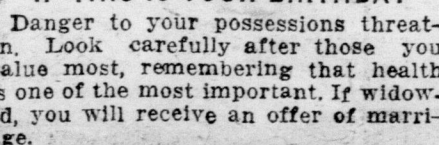
Dear Miss Grey—Being a constant reader of your many useful answers, and not having written you before, I thought you would not mind answering a few questions, and if you still have an extra copy of "The Heavenly Railroad," would you mind mailing it to me? Inclosed you will find a stamp.

2. I would like a recipe for angel cake and icing. And also how to tell when a cake is mixed dry enough before baking. I never seem to get mine just the right stiffness.

3. Hoping I have not been too much bother. Thanking you for the interest you take in us girls. I know you have received helpful answers. I remain,  
GEORGIA.

A.—1. I am sorry, but I did not keep

### The Birthday Calendar



IF THIS IS YOUR BIRTHDAY  
Danger to your possessions threaten. Look carefully after those you value most, remembering that health is one of the most important. If widowed, you will receive an offer of marriage.

Those born today will be too visionary to succeed in ordinary business, but if their special talents are trained and guided wisely they will be capable of success with high honors.

a copy of "The Heavenly Railroad," thinking it would not be required again.

2. Here is the recipe for angel food: One tumbler of flour, and put into it one teaspoon of cream of tartar, and sift the whole four times; beat the whites of eleven eggs to a stiff froth and then beat in 1½ tumbler of pulverized sugar, a teaspoon of vanilla, and a pinch of salt; then add the flour and beat thoroughly but lightly; bake in a bright, ungreased pan 40 to 45 minutes. When done, put it away to cool, placing something under the corner of the pan, so that the air will circulate underneath and assist the cooling. The loaf should drop out easily with the aid of a broad knife.

A good yet simple icing for this cake is to heat two tablespoons of milk, then stir in enough icing sugar to make a smooth paste, flavor with almond or vanilla extract and spread on the cake quickly.

3. If you follow reliable recipes regarding quantity of flour, etc., I do not see that you should have any trouble. I fear I cannot tell you just how stiff a cake should be mixed. Some cooks acquire the knack by experience, others are born with it. Doubtless, if you persevere in baking, you also will succeed.

### Women in the West.

Dear Miss Grey—1. This is the first letter I have been able to write for some time. Now will you please criticize my writing, so I can improve, as my uncle wants me to help him with some office work this spring?

2. Now, I want your advice for a little dressmaker friend, who boards in the house here. She has always had the habit of chewing basting threads, and the muscles of her jaws are developed so much, it gives her a masculine look. I have persuaded her to stop the habit. Now what will reduce the muscles without injuring the skin?

3. How are some ways of a girl (27 years), with a public school education, making a living in the West? I have had one year at the Collegiate.

Thanking you for your trouble,  
MISS MAC.

A.—1. Your writing is fairly neat now, and with painstaking practice, no doubt it will improve. It is perhaps a shade too large.

2. I fear the case is hopeless. Perhaps if your friend turned suffragette her masculine chin would not look so much out of place.

3. Never having been in the Canadian West, I scarcely feel qualified to answer. I should think she would make a livelihood at exactly the same trades and occupations as in the eastern provinces—dressmaking, millinery, stenography, housework, clerking, etc. It always seems a mistake to me to consider the West an El Dorado, for while higher wages are paid in many cases, the expenses are much higher as well, and at the end of a year one is no farther ahead.

If any of our readers would like to make any comments upon this subject of "Possibilities For Working Women in the West," I should indeed be pleased to print them.

### To Clean Wall Paper.

Take a clean duster and dip it into dry, powdered borax and rub briskly on the soiled paper. This method of cleaning wall paper will be found more effective than the usual way with stale bread.

The brassieres, with adjustable shoulder straps for wear with evening gowns, are among the new things.

## We Hope You are Well

We hope so, but should you not be, remember we have a well-fitted prescription department in each of the P. L. and O. Stores. Or if it's only a bottle of "ready-made" medicine—you'll be able to get that here, too.

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THE PROGRESSIVE DRUGGISTS.

## MOTHER and BABY and Doctor Helen MacMurphy

BILLY STEVENS—His Story.

XLII.—Billy's Cot Comes.

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The next day being Jan. 30, it would be well to see Billy and to see if Billy's cot had really come. Put not your trust in princes, though really that last

young man was a prince compared with the rest of them. He had some idea of business. Here there is B Street in all its native ugliness. The street is mud frozen as hard as iron. The sidewalk is broken. There is not one thing to be seen on that street to lift up one's heart except the red hair of a ragged girl. Real red hair for an artist on a dear little ragged girl's head. The sky was gray and the earth was as iron but the little girl had red hair and a freckled face and may God hear the prayer that Wordsworth prayed for his "Highland Girl" for you, dear dirty little Canadian city girl with red hair. There is a good time coming and before we are married, if God will, there will be a Garden Suburb for you to live in. Here is Billy's house. Yes—and Billy is well. Mrs. Z. is warming his lower extremities at the open oven-door. And there is the cot. And Billy has two pillows. Before ours came Mrs. Z. had taken 50 cents from somewhere and bought another small soft cushion for Billy's pillow and Billy is as happy on it as Hereward's hero who sang

"And heroes' hot corpses  
High heaped for my pillow."

So Mrs. Z. had thought about a pillow for Billy. Great minds think alike!

### Hair and Hygiene

Never was there an age when the hygiene of the hair was of such paramount importance. Regular brushing and careful training are sedulously needed to acquire that well-kept appearance, that almost classical silhouette so dear to the heart of femininity today. True, we can all purchase additional tresses from the coiffeur if nature has dealt stingily with us, but to have to do so must indeed be humiliating to a degree. It must be even more exasperating to view one's self in the looking glass when the "transformation" is detached and to see us as nature made or unmade us.

A good head of hair is very largely constitutional. Weak hair not infrequently means a weakly constitution. Health and a sound state of the nervous system go a long way to

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ward preserving the hair in a crisp, bright condition, and falling, faded hair is often an indication that something is wrong with the general health. It should, in fact, be taken as a timely warning. There is a popular prejudice against frequent washing of the head, and it always seems a mistaken and unhygienic notion. If this idea could be broken down we should hear very much less about falling hair and other scalp troubles.

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