

REMARKS OF ETIQUETTE.

Unless the young man had asked you to marry him and you had accepted, you should not have taken the ring. He has no legal claim on you. If you are tired of him, tell him so, and send back his ring.

TOUGH ON TENDER PASSION.

Johns Cast Pebbles of Wit at Love and the Lovem. If we could meet the first girl who heard as breathes love's vow, she'd probably be the last girl who'd hear as breathes love's vow.

DR. SANGUIN'S WONDERFUL ROOM.

Yes, Madam, one bottle will make you look like a different woman—when you—

JACQUES'S BEVERAGE.

Or the Story of the Stolen Brain of Fines. Her name was Fines. Would you guess she was French? Ah, no! You are right. She had eyes. Most French girls have eyes. It is a safe proposition to advance that girls who selected birchplaces out of France also have eyes.

IN OUR FLAT-HOUSE.

A letter asking me if I own one of the nine dogs in the house, referred to in my first article. Of course it is none of the writer's business, I do not own one of those dogs. I own two of them.

"My Fig Cake"

is splendid; in fact," says a young housekeeper, "it is almost too good. It seems as though I were making cake all the time for donations or church fairs or some committee. I tell them if they will follow the recipe in your cook book and use Cleveland's Baking Powder they can make cake just as nice as mine. I am sure I never made such cake before. Thanks both to Cleveland's baking powder and the cook book."

QUOTATIONS TO FIT.

Shakespearean Phrases Adapted to Suit Present Emergencies. Broekway: And a street-cleaning report lay on his desk; With old, old ends and a bit of holy writ.

J. & J. DOBSON.

OLD SPECTACLES AND EYE GLASSES, WOODEN THEODOLITES AND GIBBERUS, BROWNE'S PATENT OPTIC, HUNTER, OPTICIAN, 1148 BROADWAY, N. Y.

TO THE EDITOR.

For two years I have been keeping company with a young man, and I always thought I was engaged to him, everybody said so. Anyway, he has me a real good ring and a lock of his hair, and when I used to go to Sunday-school I used to go with him, and he used to go with me, and he says he can't get a girl from New Jersey—his family pride won't allow it—and yet he is going with a typewriter in Hoboken. How can I keep him to his engagement? He was my best before he ever set eyes on me. It is just for the good to correct a lady when she says that I'm sure I was always brought up to do as I am told. It is not for the good to do as I am told and swing his feet when making a call? Please answer and oblige.

TO THE EDITOR.

It is proper for me to give a gentleman a present if we are only friends, but I do not want to. I have loved him very dearly from the first time we met. MY PRESENCE, Brooklyn.

TO THE EDITOR.

What would make a suitable Christmas present for a girl to her boy? Give her a ring or some other piece of jewelry, if you can afford it; if that is beyond your means, any of the numerous gifts suggested in this department during the past fortnight will be suitable.

TO THE EDITOR.

Can a married lady send a Christmas gift to a friend in married life, the lady having no acquaintance with the gentleman's wife? It depends on the MRS. LOVELAND. If the man is an old friend, his wife should not object to his receiving any ordinary memento from you.

TO THE EDITOR.

Another young man and I have been in the habit of calling upon a young lady pretty nearly every Sunday evening for the last six months. Would it be proper for us to give her a Christmas present? If you think it proper to give her a present, please mention a few nice presents suitable for a young lady of seventeen, costing \$5 or so. A LOVER, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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A CERTAIN MR. SMITH.

The same night that Dinmore had his strange sense of a warning to prepare for a voyage into the Unknown, did he set to work, in that quiet, intense way of his which had made him so interesting a person to all his fellow-laborers. He first took his pipe, his oldest one, from his lips, and burnt it in the fire. Then he went up and down the silent house with a contented look on his face—A look of contentment, not of joy. For though he was a young man, and not more than the average, he knew so much of life now that he never roste to more than a contented, placid state. The passion of happiness was a thing he feared as a thing of ill-omen. In the passage of this world he had become a fatalist, conscious in a sort of way that he was being watched and handled by a huge motive; something that loved to lop off such poppies as flaunted their joy in life too high. So, though he felt the supreme message that awaits all men to be now, perhaps, at his door, he forbore, as usual, from all excess of expression.

THE SPANKER, TOO.

Ernie's mother (to Ernie, who has been a little impatient to his father—But don't you know your father is the mainstay of the family?) Ernie—Yes, you just bet he is. And the spanker, too.—San Francisco Call.

REACHED HIS LIMIT.

Rejected Suitor—I can never love another. Rejected Unsuitor—I thought you'd reach your limit after while.—Detroit Tribune.

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MAN'S GREATEST FAULT. WHAT SHORTCOMING IN A MAN IS MOST DISTASTEFUL TO WOMEN. CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM EDWARD EVERETT HALE, DR. T. DEWITT TALMAGE, ELIZABETH STUART PHELPS, ACTOR E. H. SOTHERN, AND OTHERS. FOUR PAGES OF Colored Cartoons AND FUNNY PICTURES. THE WONDERS OF BRAIN SURGERY. ILLUSTRATION OF THE SURPRISING OPERATIONS Which Are Being Made Upon the HUMAN BRAIN.