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[Correspondents seeking information in this de-partment should address their queries to "Astra," PROGRESS, St. John.]

GRACE, no Address .- it is customary, except under very exceptional circumstances, for the lady's family to order the cards, and attend to all other minor details. The wedding notices are a matter of choice, either the bride's family or the groom can attend to it. I believe the groom frequently sends the notices. I think he would be a very inattentive lover indeed who neglected to send his bride her wedding bouquet. The bride's family provide the bouquets for the bridesmaids, and all the other flowers, but the groom invariably sends the bride hers. He regards it as his especial care. It will be quite proper for you to pay your farewell calls without your mother, if it is inconvenient for her to accompany you, but I would take some friend with me, if I were you, as it is rather embarassing to pay them by yourself.

LILY, St. John .- No. I do not think your question at all difficult to answer. I should say without hesitation that the latter case was much the harder; a hidden trouble, like the Spartan boy's fox, will eat into the heart, while one which can find an outlet is shorn of half its sting. Again, in spite of all that has been said and written about sympathy being unnecessary to the truly noble heart every healthy mind appreciates sympathy, though, of course, I draw the line at the pity, which says patronizingly, "Poor thing, I do pity her so much." It is so hard to keep our sorrows to ourselves and have a perpetual "Sigh in the heart, though the lips be gay." I do sympathize with you most sincerely, but are you sure you have lost your husband's love? May you not be mistaken? A man's love, once given, is not lightly recalled; perhaps there is merely some misunderstanding which a little forbearance and frankness on both sides would remove! Of course I am writing quite in the dark, as I am ignorant of the circumstances, but do not, I beg of you, settle hopelessly down to the conviction that all is lost without making an effort to retain or, at least, regain the love you must certainly prize above all your earthly possessions. I wish most sincerely that I could help you in any way.

POLLY, St. John .- (1) Well, no! Polly, I should not care to build my hopes deliberate handshake of every day life. you. The habit is too common to be looked upon as a symptom of the tender passion. (2) I have always read, and heard, that every man wants a little wife, and I fancy it is the nature of the stronger and sterner sex to consider anyone they are very fond of, small and helpless. I once knew a man of average size, who was engaged to a giantess who looked to be at least six feet, and carried herself like an empress. Most men were mortally afraid of her, but her lover persistently referred to her with a proud smile, as "My little girl." Nevertheless I think a small man usually prefers a good sized woman. They seem to admire what they do not possess themselves. (3) I have noticed what you speak of, and have always considered it an evidence of conceit on the part of the dear boys. They always seem to admire their own complexions so much that they try to match it in their wives. I have rarely met a dark man who did not admire dark women. (4) I do not see how your friend can find out the name of the donor, unless she asks all of her masculine friends, separately and seriously, whether they sent the present or not. (5) Your writing is very neat and fine, but it lacks individuality and character. Perhaps it has not quite formed vet. YOUR ADMIRER, St. John.-Really 'Admirer" you absolutely fluster me, you say so many nice things in one breath, and they all sound to natural and so sincere that I am only too ready so swallow them ; you know I have such a beautiful trusting disposition that I am always disposed to believe anything of a flattering nature that is said to me. I am glad you like PRO-GRESS so much though, because I really like it very much myself, and I too, take a deep interest in my own column, you see I have to. (1) No, my dear child, it was not by any means a serious breach of etiquette; had it been summer, there would have been nothing at all singular about it; but if the party took place recently, you must admit that it looked a little strange for one couple to trot out of doors for a promenade. Take my advice and adopt this rule : Never do anything when you are out in society that will attract attention towards you, or render you in any way conspicuous; it may have a hum-drum Originated by an Old Family Physician in 1810. sound, but yet it is a very safe rule for a very young girl who has not seen much of the world, to do just as she sees others do, and not to vary from the well beaten track, In use over 40 YEARS in one family. In USE OVER 40 YEARS in one family. Dr. I. S. JOHNSON & CO. — It is sixty years since I first learned of this now celebrated remedy for the common ills of life—JOHNSON'S ANOPYNE LINIMENT; for more than forty years I have used it in my family. I say (unasked by you) I regard it as one of the best and safest family remedies that can be found, used internal or ex-ternal, in all cases it is claimed to relieve or cure. O. H. INGALLS, Deacon Second Baptist Church, Bangor, Me. until-like the young birds-she is sure of her wings. (2) The gentleman thanks the lady who responds with a pleasant bow, and smile. You know a lady is always supposed to conter a favor upon a man, by giving him her society, either in dancing, driving, skating or walking, and he is the WITHOUT REAL MERIT one to express gratitude. ROBIN, St. John-Return the article by all means. If you wish to maintain your dignity and continue the quarrel, send it without any comment; but if the "row" Every Traveler should have a bottle of it in his satchel. **EVERY SUFFERER** From Rheumatism, Sci-atica, Neuralgia, Ner-vous Headache, Diphtheria, Coughs, Catarth, Bronchitis, Influenza, Asthma, Cholera Morbus, Diarrhœa, Lameness, Soreness in Body or Limbs, Lame Back, Stiff Joints or strains, will find in this old Anodyne relief and speedy cure. **EVERY MOTHER** Throat, Tonsilitis, Colic, Cuts. Bruises, Cramps and Pains liable to occur in any family without notice. Delays may cost a life. Relieves all Summer Complaints like magic. Price, 35 cents postpaid; six bottles, \$2.00. Express paid. I. S. JOHNSON & CO., BOSTON, MASS was not a very deadly one, I think I should write a little explanatory note, tell-ing him I had forgotten it before. (1) Your writing is very pretty indeed, and contains a great deal of character. And so you "would love to see me," would you? A good many others have said that, too. Suppose we throw my den open to the public, and charge a small admission fee? I wonder it we should gather in many shekels? Or better still, I shall give a five o'clock reception some day.

idea what it means to adopt the stage as a profession? I think not, judging from your letter. It is a life of toil and hard- International Steamship Co. ship, of disappointment and heartache. How many of the hundreds upon the stage ever rise to any distinctiou? How many "leading actresses" have you seen? Yes! I know just how it is; I have been there myself to some slight extent. You "feel that acting is your vocation," and so the ladder of fame is only waiting to be climbed and fortune and glory await you at the top-when you reach it-but you will never reach it; there are too many before you in the race. I am fond of acting myself, and I believe I can acquit myself very creditably before the footlights in the role of a "gifted amateur, but that is all I ever want to know of the stage. The work is too hard and too thankless, and the shekels too few for yours truly. Do you know what I would like to do

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with that "leading actor in the company who was so very well informed and handsome, and seemed to take such a great interest in you?" Well, I would like to tar and feather him ! How did you become acquainted with him? and do you know so little of life that you believe he could secure you, three untaught girls, "leading positions in good companies ?" It takes JOHN MACKAY,......PROPRIETOR. the best actress years of study and practice before she attains a leading position, and it your attractive triend had had your real welfare at heart, he would not have advised you to go upon the stage, knowing as well as he did, all that it meant. Now. must speak very plainly indeed, and tell you, that just as surely as you make your escape from home in the hope of getting those good positions promised, you will never come back again, never again in respectable society, never see or want to see, your parents or your old friends. When three young girls go out into the world to seek their fortune they don't often come back again, their earthly career as far as respectability is concerned, is over. If you want to be independent there are so many ways of being so, now-a-days-learn short hand, typewriting, or telegraphy,—any of these are much easier than acting—and he Comedy, entitled: these are much easier than acting-and be as independent as you please, but do it honestly and openly. Believe me a thing we conceal from our parents must be wrong, and it takes us a long time to learn that they know best. I think we only learn it when we are getting past our first youth.

Once more I am glad you wrote to me, and I only trust you will take my advice. I of winning a young man for my ownest am a girl myselt though not a very young own, upon so slender a foundation, as a one, and I can enter into your feelings squeeze of the hand administered either in better than an older woman could. Write the mazy dance, or in the more calm and to me again, I shall be glad to hear from ASTRA.

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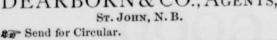
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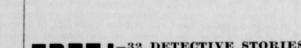
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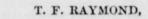
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