When Should a Girl Marry! Reason should govern marriage to some degree, although it does not. People in love do not reason. Here is where the parents or legal guardian of a girl can justify their office by doing the thinking she is neglecting for dreaming-always a more pleasant pastime to one in love.

It is a sacrilege for an ignorant girl of 16 to become a wife. Even worse for her to assume the obligations and responsibility of motherhood. The average girl of 18 is too young to marry, immature in body and mind. Far better to wait than to risk the happiness of two lives.

Late marriages are usually made out respect and friendship, the foundaions of love, but they miss the thrill nd passion of love itself. Such marlages provide a home and congenial companionship for the man and woman who have outlived their first youth, with its buried emotions and tender memories, and makes for them a sort of Indian summer of happiness. The ideal time of life for a woman to marry is from twenty to thirty-five. For a man, from twenty-five to forty-five.

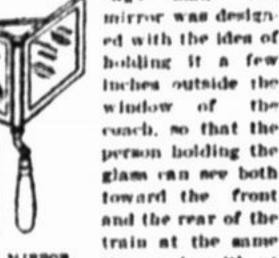
Society women do not marry young. and who can find an "old" woman of thirty in society? They are pientiful enough among the 40,000, where women marry at sixteen, seventeen and eighteen, and settle down to a humdrum existence filled with dishes to wash and bables to care for.

Home ought not to be a dull place. It ought to be the most interesting spot in the world to the wife and mother. But it is impossible for a girl who has not attained her physical and mental growth to grasp the true significance and meaning of the home or to bear its burdens without deterlorating.

Some of the happlest marriages are those between persons over twenty-five and under thirty-five. They have seen life and met interesting people, they are sure of themselves, and no "af antiy." were she equipped with magnetle batteries from head to foot, could separate them. They are married for life .- Jessie M. Partion.

A Fulding Hand Mirror. A folding hand mirror, particularly adaptable for use as a traveler's obser-

vation glass is the invention of a Chi mirror was designed with the idea of holding it a few nches outside the window of



time and without

placing the head out of the window. When folded or open it is neat and attractive in appearance, and can be quickly folded into a compact form to face to face, with a suitable stop pin

Medicinal Food. Carrots are excellent for gout. Crapberries correct the liver. Asparagua stimulates the kidneys. Watercress is an excellent blood

Honey is a good substitute for cod-

Paranipa possess the same virtues as se resperiile.

Celery contains sulphur and helps to ward off rheumatians.

from chest complaints.

Celery is a nerve tonic; onions also

are a tonic for the nerves. Bestroot is fattening and good for

people who want to put on flesh. Tomatoes are good for a torpid liver.

but should be avoided by gouty people Lettuce has a soothing effect on the perves and is excellent for sufferers

from insemnia.

Spinach has great aperient qualities and in far better than medicine for sufferers from constipation,

The fuice of a lemon is excellent for sore throat, but should not be swallowed, but used as a gargle.



~~~~~~ Embroidered vests of pique and linen promise to be a necessary adjunct

to summer suits. As the season progresses the rage for crochet buttons as a trimming increases. Cretonne is also largely used for waistcoats, hats, parasols, collars and applied effects.

A sporty novelty in ambrellas which promises to be popular presents balls fringe hanging from them. The balls are fastened to the stick by solid leather straps.

A dainty parasol is of dove gray allk with embroidered orchids in the space between each rib; some have a border of braided satin ribbon in two contrasting shades along the outside edge, whereas inside two ravishing rosettes, each repeating the color scheme. theory elaborated before the Psychoare posed at a short space one from Therapeutic Society in London the

the other. ented with bits of ject much study. trimming of pateley design. Scarfs "An enormous amount of vital en- female operatic singer of celebrity.



are appearing with wide stik paisley ergy is wasted in talking," said the borders. Unite out of the ordinary was vicar. "An excessive talker is a Human a pair of mules unde from pieces of vampire, who saps the vital energy of very numerous and the coop was an old paisley shawl, to accompany a Those about him. People silent by na-

Long white talle or feather boas can be made up to date by cutting when just long enough to envirole the neck. the ends tied in the back with a bow of brond black velvet ribbon with long floppy loops and ends. The box-plaited ruches of four layers of box plaits divided in half by an Inch band of ribbon to match the suit are very clivities of women in his argument fetching and becoming

All the newest collars have ruffles at the top and bottom. A pretty one plain linen has a fluted ruffle also of the linen an tuch and a half wide above, terminating in a V-shape, and another ruffle twice this width titting over the blouse front and back. The more elaborate dressy collars of chiffon have tulle ruffles, with loops of baby ribbon set at regular intervals.

Buttons are a most favored trimplace in the porket. The mirrors are ming. They are used not only upon hinged together so they can be folded tailored gowns and summer frocks, but upon the more elaborate evening for holding the mirrors rigid when costumes. They are oft-times placed the full length of the clinging skirt at one side, in the center front or in the center back. This line of buttons is a continuation of the button trimming upon the bodice portion, and is one of the little tricks employed to give the much-desired "long-line" ef-

threading the skirt of a frock with employed in carrying out this idea. this present mode demands that ac-Bananas are beneficial to sufferers that slits be cut in the dress. These are inttorholed and the ribbon or vel ret is then passed in and out. suit the figure of the wearer, a result the ribbon are either tied at intervals or are all looped at the left side

Epigrama by Eve.

A brother is a mirror that never flat

feather-headed?

In the merry walts of life we should all learn how to reverse gracefully The feminine intellect topples before

time tables and bank book balancing. Life is a crafty stage manager that keeps luring as on with promises of an

Insomnia.

Insomnia is not the uncommon fate of the brainworker, who, after years of continuous meutal strain, retires from active life. The real reason is that mental activity demands a large supply of blood for the brain, and the blood ressels gradually accommodate themseives to this large supply. But, when the hard work is over, the brain does nonrishment, and hence the condition of excessive mental activity, which is what insomnia is .- London Mail.

Beware of Talking. That excessive talking is the cause of many nervous diseases and for the increasing amount of insaulty affect. ing modern society is the interesting other night by Rev. B. S. Lombard, a

"peignor" in changeable oriental chif- ture seldom are ill. A large percentage of the victims of nervous disease are great talkers, who discuss imaginary allments until they get them."

Dr. Steuson Hooker supported the vicar in a recommendation that coe room be set aside in each of the London hospitals for silent treatment. Neither of the gallant speakers par-

ficularly mentioned the talking proagainst garrulity.



An attractive millinery creation in black and white, than which there is One of the prettiest fashlons of a nothing richer. In this case the large year of pretty fastions is that of hat with slightly rolling brim is black chip and the only decoration a genribbons at flowner depth. Instead of erous number of beautiful white ostrich using the beading which was formerly plumes. A hat of this type is always good style and may be worn on almost any and every occasion

Campbor to Cure Cold,

stage is camphor. When the eyes begin to water and there is an accompanying tingling of the mose and feeling of chilliness, place three drops of camphor on a lump of loaf sugar and place the sugar in the month.

Repeat this every fifteen minutes till Who cares if a duck of a girl is will become thoroughly warm. will usually prove effectual in breaking up a cold if the cold is taken at its very beginning. For a child but one drop should be placed upon the sugar. and five or six doses administered.

Handy Book Shell.

ored paper. You may have to buy the A girl adores a man because he is boxes, but they will be only about 10 cents apiece. Have a table in your she can't twine him about her little from and place these boxes so they will rest on the table and against the wall. It is best to separate them with wooden boxes of equal size covered with brown paper. This makes a splendid three-shelf bookcase in which small books can be placed. If one cares the boxes can be covered with paper to match the room.

Gown Trimmings.

Shall the gown be made plain or shall be much trimmed? Both extremes dresses. Should one be unable to decide upon a style, there is the popular plaited or kilted skirt made ankle length with a fitted hip yoke. And there is the cutaway coat which buttons with two or three buttons and is cut away to show the waist and belt. This style is very fashionable.

The Word Diva. The word diva is derived from the Italian and means a goddess or sweet Simple little pongee and tusore London vicar, who has given the sub- heart. In its English application it designates a prime donna-that is, a



THE FIRE GOAT.

Ding-a-ling-a-ling! goes the fire

Alarm. the word. William the goat rises quickly to his feet and is harnessed in the twinkling of a moment, the doors of the chicken coop are flung wide open and Woburn's junior fire company proudly appears, ready to

battle with the demon fire, The company is not very strong numerically. There is James, the captain, who is 12 years old. There ts brother Thomas, who acknowledges the age of 10 years and who is the lieutenant, and then there is Frank, only six years, but is the one whose prowess has won for him the distinction of being the driver of William the goat.

Only three of them, although William insists on being counted as a member and not as a horse; but no fire company ever worked with greater vim and will.

The Sheeran boys are well known in Woburn. So is William.

No sooner does confiagration threaten a building in the town and the real fire laddles appear on the street than the Sheeran company comes in the wake of the real apparatus, and Woburnites give a sigh of relief, for the boys have come to be known as true mascots, and, with hem on the scene, battling with the flames is nothing short of play.

The idea of forming a fire company first originated with James, as it really ought to, for James is the oldest of the trio. It was simply a shame to let William pass his days in indolence without an honest effort in a practical direction, and William is far from being an ordinary goat, His intelligence, declare his young masters, is simply extraordinary. William was decided upon as a horse The chicken coop in the yard of

the boys' home at 22 Clinton street was just the thing for a barn. Of course, there were hens to be reckoned with, but the heas were no very large, so the young fire fighters petitioned the powers that be, and the hens found themselves minus part of their former possessions.

A borse and a fire house on hand, the matter of wagons was a comparatively simple proposition. It took a rreat deal of linkering, and many toys of fond memories and great pride had to be sucrificed in constructing them, but at last all the difficulties were overcome, and the wagons were ready.

"We need a tackle, just like the one in every well regulated and properly orderd fire house," said James, and Thomas and Frank echoed the sentiment.

With infinite care and untold inbors, the tackle was finally constructed and when a piece of garden hose was procured, nothing but uniforms lacked to make the Sheeran company a read property saving institudon of Woburn.

Ollskins were deemed essential for miforms, and it was decided to get 'hem. What is more, the boys got bern. Some oil waterproof coats came in just handy, three somewhat dilapidated but still serviceable sou westers were pressed into service and properly decorated with tinsel and other ornaments, and, presto! the outfit was complete.

Fire drills were instituted. Daily practice was ordered. Everything went screnely, but for "William" who was ready to do anything, but was inwilling to play the passive part of

Of course, there were compensadons in the part he had to play, but staying cooped up in a chicken coop would make any self-respecting goat rebellious. By much sussion, moral and other, "William" was made to see the error of his ways and learned to take his position under the tackle, upon which rested the harless, the moment the alarm bell rang.

"William" was getting lonesome waiting for the bell, and so he pressionally rang it himself, causing into he was weared of this habit also, now he is fully as severe a disiplinarian as Captain James himself. "We love William," say James and Thomas and Frank, "We don't care more sense than any goat with two

There were long hallways, leading upborns and that's enough for us." Wohnern is really proud of its junior is immediately made acquainted .-

MISS POLLY'S CHICKENS.

A long time ago, when Harrisburg. Pa., was an old-time village, Miss Polly Smith lived there, says the Philadelphia Record. She rented the rear of it, on the corner of a street and an alley

sens and raised chicks, selling eggs and chickens to help earn some deafening sound he had heard at first. money, for she was thrifty. As the town was small, no one cared that the chickens were turned much better than his former shout

In this cellar Miss Polly set her

mit daily into the alley, where they ran about on the street, picking up the little old gentleman came for a bite here and there, scratching him he hardly knew him, his voice around for dear life. As chickens will do, they would of-

en get too far away, and then their wner would stand at the corner with handful of corn and call, "Here, shick, chick chick!" They did not always come at her call, for some boys in the neighborhood, as soon as they heard the click of the latch on the yard gate, would scamper to the corner and peep around it, and as one of care lest year, for which seen as they caught a glimpse of Miss received more than \$16,000,000

singhem sprop that was tied o her nest called frock-I am sorry o say this-they would "Shoo, shoo shoo!" the chickens away. You know, the boys could call louder and were nearer to her pets than Miss Polity was, so she had then more trouble than she liked.

There was a boy who lived in

house nearly opposite the one in which Miss Polly's home was. His name was John Hammil. In the kindness of his heart he often helped her when he heard her calling her chickens by doing the running after them for her. Miss Polly's "Thank you, Johnten in readiness, the captain gives | ny!" was enough for him. Thus he kept on doing until he was 17 years old. Then he took a notion to be farmer and take up a tract of government land in Texas. All this happened long before any of us were born, and the big State of Texas was not so easily nor soon reached as now, when we can travel by

John had a little money his father left him. With that he was going to buy what a farmer would need as far as his money would go, and also pay for his trip to his new home in the sunny south.

His mother was willing that he should do so, and he bade her and his five brothers goodby and start ed. I think he must have had a lonely time and been many a time homesick, so far away, but he could not get back for it cost more than he

But he went out into the world with | Post. a stout heart and was going to do

When Johnny left Miss Polly had no one to help her herd her chickens when they straved away.

After Johnny had been gone some years the old lady died. A cousin of hers came and took what she left, chickens and all. Of course, not the same ones that had been living when Johnny was there. They had been sold and eaten before they got too Miss Polly knew better than to keep them until they would be

tough, and pobody would want them. John's mother wrote to tell him that his friend, Miss Polly, was dead and had left him a legacy of \$10 in her will. And that \$10 went all the way to Texas and the farmer was glad to get it, as he never got rich, but better than that, be realized that his old friend had appreciated his kindness to her, that had cost him so little effort and helped her so much.

HOW NOISY ROY LEARNED. There was once a boy who made as much noise as two fire engines, five locomotives and a dozen automobiles all together. You never knew such a boy or making noise. When he was shouting and yelling his very loudest you could hear him for miles away. His parents had to keep him in a room interlined with cotton wool to make it as soundproof as possible. He couldn't seem help being noisy. When he spoke he shouted so that you had to go bree blocks off to understand what he said, and when he whinpered you could hear him across the street. So he couldn't possibly keep any seerets. When he played train the rattling and banging sounded like a young battle, and when he played the tooting and booting necessarily the best. Modern lugens nounded like a Fourth of July celebration. He couldn't even play jack-

straws without making some noise about ft. One day Roy-his name was Roywas playing indian in his soundproof room, and the neighborn were bolding pillows to their cars. when an old gentleman came along the street, went into the house and up to the partly soundproof room. He opened the door, wherenpon the clamor was something terrific, until Roy stopped in surprise to look he old gentleman

"Come on," said the little gentieman, abruptly, "It's time to "Where to" shouted Roy, in at

"Wait and see," said the little old

gentleman "All right," answered Roy at the top of his voice, for he felt inter-

So be followed the little old gentle man down to the street.

"Now, you mustn't talk until we get there," said his friend. So Roy was silent, and all the neighbors breathed deep with relief. After a while they came to a very all mountain with a door at the foot. "Here," said the little old gentle-

"is a lovely place for you to I'll come for you in an hour You'll find it very interesting," and he opened the door and Roy went in. Trny, it was a delightful place. The whole inside of the mountain was lighted up, and from the ceiling hung huge crystal inicles of all colors.

ward and downward, and far above was a roof studded with gold stars. "Hurrah!" cried Roy. But instant ly he put his hands over his ears, for he heard that "Hurrah!" echoed like thunder on all sides of him, and again from the halls and alleyways.

"Well of all-" began Roy, but he stopped in a hurry, for the words returned to him with exceeding loud-

He tried a whisper, and that was better, and finally by practicing good deal he managed to speak in low tone that was echoed in a most interesting way all over the inside of the mountain, but not with the For an hour Roy played in the mountain room, and his new tone was so that he was quite delighted. When was so improved. And ever afterward Roy spoke in his new voice and the neighborhood was at peace.-Washing-

Laplanders are the shortest people in Europe, the men averaging 4 feet 11 inches, the women 2 feet 9 inches.

Missouri marketed 107,156,658 dos-

FOR HOUSEFLIES.

Take 1-2 teaspoonful powders black pepper, I teaspoonful brown gar and 1 tablespoonful of cream; mi: them well together and place this mixture in the room where the file are most troublesome, and they will soon disappear.—Boston Post.

## DUPLICATE EMBROIDERY.

To trace a pattern from a finished piece of embroidery place over the piece some white tissue paper; fasten securely and then rub all over with an old spoon, using the back of bowl. The pattern can be outlined and then traced on any piece of linen-New York World.

## CLEANING BRASS.

When cleaning brass try moistening the rag with alcohol before dipping it in the brass paste; the alcohol goon removes all status from the brass and makes it beautifully bright Refore sweeping a carpet sprinkle with moist salt; it will both lay the dust and revive the colors.-Boston

## MAGIC PAPER.

Take lard oil or sweet oil mixed to the consistency of cream with paints. the color which is desired. Prussian blue, lamp black, chrome green of Venetian red, either of which should be rubbed on plate or stone until smooth. Use rather thin but firm paper, put on with sponge and wipe off dry, then lay between uncolored or newspapers and press by laying books upon it until the surplus oil is absorbed, when it is ready for use .-Boston Post.

## TESTING SILK PABRICS.

Of the goods sold as "all woof there is not one-tenth that is gene inc. Generally the main component

The test for this is simple. that is necessary is to pull out few threads and apply a lighted match. Cotton will go off in a blaze wood will shrivel up.

To distinguish pure linen from counterfeit is even easier. The in tended buyer need only wet her finger and apply it to the goods. If they are pure linen the moisture will pass straight through; the spot touched will be soaked at once and almost immediately one side will be as wel Frands are more numerous in siik

than in any other fabric, but here nino the material of adulteration is cotton. Its presence can readily be discovered. Draw a few threads out The pieces of cotion will snap of short when pulled, while the silk will stretch and permit a considerable pull before breaking The boasted silk of our grandmoth ern that "atood by itself" is not

ity has devised means of giving the poorest article the body requisite for this purpose. Shellac and other sticky substances mixed through the fabric will pro duce as stiff a silk as ever graced the wardrobe of our ancestors. Such stuf

quickly rots.-Buffalo Courier.

is quite worthless, however, as f

RECIPES. Apple Porcupine -- Make a syrup by boiling 8 minutes 1 1-2 cups sugar and 1.2 cup water. Wipe, pare and core 8 apples; put apples in syrup as soon as pared so not to discolor. Cook until soft. Drain the apples from the syrup, cool, fill cavities with red jelly and stick the apples with almonds bianched and cut lengthwise.

Serve with cream sauce. Maine Fruit Cake.-One large cup of butter, 3 cups of brown sugar, 4 eggs, I cup of milk, I teaspoonful of cloves, 2 of cinnamon, 1 nutmeg. tablespoonful vanila, 4 cups of pastry flour, 2 pounds of raisins, 1 pound of currants, 1-4 pound of citron, small teaspoonful of soda. Bake in a slow

Cranberry Pudding. One cupful of sugar, 2 cupfuls of flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, butter the size of an egg; break I egg into a cup, beat, fill up with milk; stir all together and add 1 pint of cranberries. Bake and serve with sauce.

Lemon Cream Ple.-One cup sugar, teaspoons flour, little salt, 1-4 cup butter, 2 eggs, 1 cup milk, 1 lemon, Juice and grated rh.d. Cream butter and sugar together, add flour and sait the volks of eggs, milk and last of all the lemon inice and rind and whites of eggs besten stiff. Bake in one crust in moderate oven until

Creamed Lobster.—One pint lobster half pint milk, half pint cream, one tablespoonful butter, one heaping tablespoonful flour, juice half a lemon, even teaspoonful of sait, pinch of cayenne. Make a sauce by cooking hair. together over boiling water the butter and the floor, adding to it the milk and half the cream. Put the lobster into this sauce, add pepper and salt and stir until it is smoking hot. Put in then the rest of cream Cock just long enough to heat this, squeeze in the lemon fuice and serve.

Prune Sponge .- Soak 1 pound of French prunes over night in enough water to cover them. In the morning stew in the same water until tender: add 1 cup of sugar and put through a sieve to retain all stones and skins to the pulp add 1-2 box of gelatine, softened in 1-2 cap of water, the juice of a lemon and 1 orange; best until foamy: then add the stiffly beaten whi as of 2 eggs, and beat satta until all are thoroughly mixed. Mould.

To destroy worms in flower not stick a quantity of sulphur mate head downward into the mold a then water the plant, The m will soon poison the worms-

Pancy Walut willis gularly attractive and graceful it can be made from almost any s able material. There are which give graceful and lines, and which appropriately cal made of net, lace or anything of a s llar sort, and the rather deep che



rtle is becoming and in the height of style. Also the sleeves are novel. As illustrated crepe de Chipe is made with a chemisette of tucked and drapery of plain pet with trimming of lace and banding of heavy embroidered filet, while a crush girdle of messaline salin finishes the lower edge. Thin silks and thin wools are many this season, however, and each and every one is approprinte, while any of the lovely silk and cotton mixtures will make up most attractively after the design.

The above puttern will be mailed to your address on receipt of 10 cents. Send all orders to the Pattern Department of this paper. He sure to give both the number and size of pattern wanted, and write very plainly. For convenience, write your order on the

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Three or Pour-Piere Skirt. The skirt which is smooth over the blue and which flares at the lower portion continues a favorite one for walking, while it is always the most becoming and most graceful. Here is a model that can be made either in three or four pleces, as the front gore in seamed at the center or ent in one. In the illustration it is made from striped material, and the front gore is seamed



PATTERN NO. (REES. It the center to produce the chevron effect, but the model suits plain ma-

terials quite as well an striped. The above pattern will be mailed to your address on receipt of 10 cents. Send all orders to the Pattern Departs ment of this paper. He sure to give both the number and size of pattern wanted, and write very plainly. For convenience, write your order on the following compon

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FACTS WORTH KNOWING. Supersensitive persons have light

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For speaking French to him a ord of a Duesseldorf hotel charged a guest extra in his

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