### The Romance Of Letters

The Role of the Post Office in Man's Everyday Existence

Gilbert Chesterton ir an essay on Rudyard Kipling, speaking of things poetical, described the mailbox as the "sanctuary of human words," the place to which friends and lovers commit their messages, "conscious that Williams' Pink Pills for anaemia," adds, is "one of the few things left nervous, restless and always pale. irrevocable.

But that is only one side of the restored to my normal health." romance. The other and even more Thousands of other young women appealing part of this romantic story have been benefitted as Miss Kerton is the faithful (often ingenious) bear- was. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills rebuild ing to its destination and into the health by actually creating an abundhands of millions (as if by a kind of ance of new blood and increasing the magic) what is entrusted to the Un-blood cells thereby restoring wasted i. 'States. The mailbox is but a door tissues and revitalizing the exhausted of the sanctuary. The post office is nervous system. Growing girls are at institution of "everlasting energy," greatly helped by Dr. Williams' Pink as Emerson called it (even before it Pills. Try them. 50c a package at they themselves are not interested in took on such mighty services as it per- your druggist's. forms today), guarded still by a "cert.. in religious sentimes, in mankind." "I look upon it," said the great American sage, "as a first measure of civilization." It is ..o' a mere commercial enterprise. It is democracy's universal school of letters.

It is invidious, or would be, to make comparison with other departments of government, but I think that all will agree with Charles Sumne: (with whom it was difficult to agree in all things) that it is the most universal i. its beneficence: "There is nothing which is not helped by the post office." Here is his support of the statement with my own interpolations:

"Is business in question?" he asks. "The post office is at hand with its invaluable aid, quickening and multirlying its activities." (And it has expanded beyond any dream of his in 1851, when letter rates were reduced to three cents but when the parcel post had not been thought of.) "Is it charity? The post office is the Good Samaritan omnipresent in all the highways of the land." (And like the Good Samaritan it meets ary deficits at the inn.) "Is it education? The post office is schoolmaster, with school for all and scholars by the million." (We may now say by the ten millions, for all the literate as readers of the vritten and the printed word are its scholars and by reason of the rural free delivery, no one, however isolate or remote, is beyond the reach of its free tuition.)

· But there is a runction still more precious and fundamental than any of these or than all of them together -the exchanges between members of families, friends and lovers. These are golden threads which we weave into the daily fabric of our home life from our dear outsice relationships. One, writing a long time ago, called friendship the great chain of human society and intercourse of letters one of the chiefest links of the chain. And though the air has given a new medium for speech at a distance, it does not take the place of the word which car, be read and re-read and permanently kept. It is a significant thing that, when the life of a man of un uzual attainments and influence written, the letters which he has himself written generally offer the richest material.

Seeing the carriers this early morning in the streets with their burdens, I recalled a statement that was made at a service in memory of their comrades a year or two ago to the effect that the living postmen were placed on earth "to carry burdens." But they are not ordinary burdens. They are the most precious commerce of human exchange, whether written by hand or printed.

The distinction of this service would end the moment that its members ceased to regard as inviolate the communications which they bear between human minds in sharing experiences of joy and sorrow, in expressing affection and sympathy, in recording the things that still help to keep this practical world a place of demance. If, as Gilbert Chesterton said, the posting of letters is one of the few things left that are entirely romantic, another of these entirely romantic things is the receiving of letters. We thank God for the United States that mystically receives them, faithfully guards them and religiously delivers them .- John H. Finley.

### The Cricket to October

The long, pure light that brings

To earth her perfect crown of bliss. Wanes slow-the thoughtful drooptrunk and bough And the faint breath of the earth-

loving things Say this.

Oft when the dews at night Clasp the cool shadows, all in vain I look along the meadow's level dark To see the firefly lift her tender light

Again From the thick-woven shade, Where, on the red-cupped moss today,

A crimson ray alit, the bluebird sends One melancholy note up the brown glade

This way .... -Anne Whitney, in "Poems."

# In Bed for Weeks

Miss Kerton Was Nervous and Anaemic Until Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Restored Her Health

"I believe it is my duty to tell Experienced other sufferers of Wonderful the wonderful re-

when they have done so they are writes Miss Mamie Kerton, Badjeros. Onalescent in the dawn, secred, and not to be touched not only Ont. "For three years I suffered from Palely brilliant at high noon; by others but even (a religious touch) weakness, shivering and fainting Star-strewn in the velvet night, by themselves." "Porting a letter," he spells, feeble pulse, poor appetite. I was Cloud-wracks flying past the moon. that are entirely romantic"-for to be was in bed for weeks at a time, until All around the restless sea, entirely romantic a thing must be I put Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to the test. After taking three boxes I was Foam-lace spreading in the wake;

Ocean Voyage Pulse of engines underneath,

Ceaseless, faithful as a heart; Order, shining whiteness, peace; Current of a world apart-World where days are marked by Nights are watches, and the while

Fleet-of-foot men serve the ship,

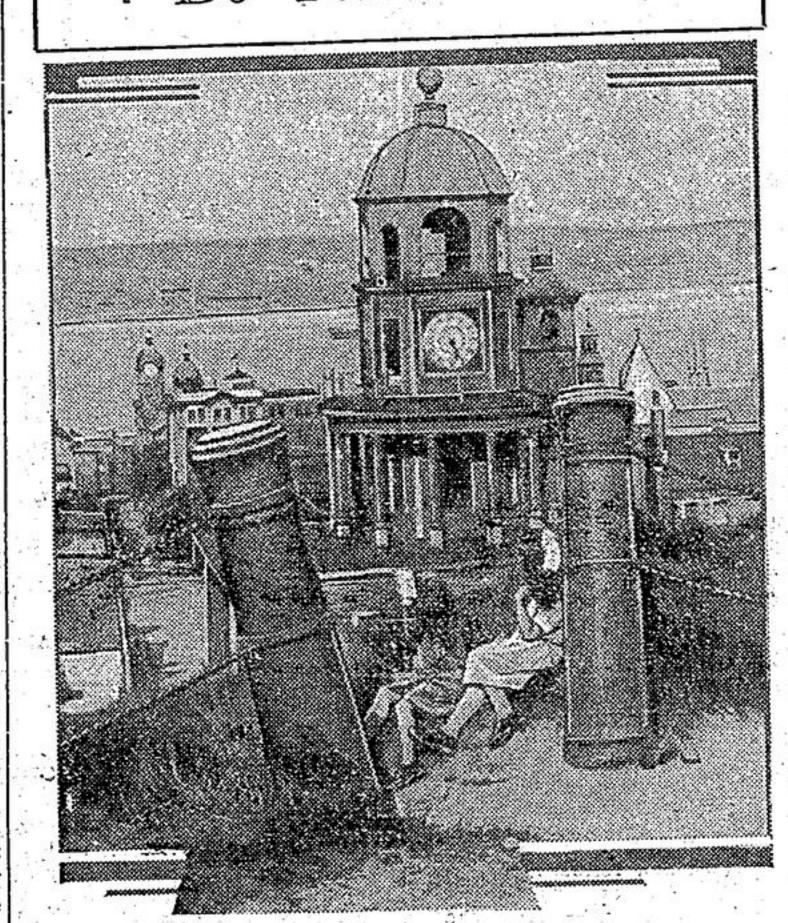
Mile slips by on rolling mile.

Overhead the bright blue dome lief I experienced Curving to the water's rim; from taking Dr. Rainbow-tinted in the dusk, Mystical, poetic, dim;

> Blown to fury . . . smooth as glass; Flecks of distant ships that pass; Seaweed gardens; purple depths Where the magic kingdoms are; Fish that leap in silver arcs; Moon paths leading to a star. -Adele de Leeuw.

> "The world suffers a great deal from people who are uninteresting, because anything."-Sir Adaie Roche.

# + Do You Know?



That one of the oldest town clocks in North America is situated in Halifax, Nova Scotia? It was erected in 1802 and except for a few intervals for repairs it has been giving the time continuously since that date.





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#### BABY'S OWN TABLETS

#### Lisbon Traffic

Wheeled traffic offers more variety in Lisbon than in many other capitals of Europe. Modern traffic is very of leisurely pedestrians, electric 1000 boys. trams, turning sharp corners with grinding sound of wheels, urge state. fort themselves when they organize ly coaches to give them free pas. let us hope that they get together in sage, by means of a nemphatic bell, increasing numbers. What the world The coaches oblige, and with more ex- needs, in other words, is more ugly already described. These coaches are famous ugly man of literature. about as real as grandmother was pedition than do the pirate tram-cars, men, and them organized. Like that in a brave lisplay of plated harness. material molds.—The Christian Sci- my ancestors." The coachman is generally a typical ence Monitor. Portuguese servant, with long side-whiskers, and he urges his steeds to THREW AWAY HIS high stepping rather than to speed. The horses are of the breed that figures in paintings of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, having small heads and round rumps, wavy flowing When tails, arched crests and waving manes and so much action that pace has to suffer; but dignity is maintained. . . .

Yet more primitive vehicles roll through the streets of Lisbon, plain it. box-like carts on solid wooden wheels, of a design unchanged since Roman times. These carts have a talent, far more pronounced than that of the out the aid of a stick. But after takpirate tram, for getting in the way and impeding traffic; the drivers are was able to throw away the stick. as impervious to objurgation as the is now four years since this happened, oxen that draw these obstructive con- and I have had no return of the comveyances.

These varied forms of vehicles make up the daily pageant of the chen Salts, as they are worth their stree's.-Captain B. Granville Baker, in "A Winter Holiday in Portugal,"

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S

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Adversity . Sweet are the uses of adversity, which, like the toad.

Ugly and venomous, yet wears a jewel in its head.

#### A Unique Club

There has been no sign given that the Ugly Men's Association of Perth, West Australia, is going to change the name of the institution. . The qualifications for membership which have always been simply the possession of ugliness have not, as far as can be learned, been altered.

No doubt the members go about full of a sort of perverse, boyish prepossessing exteriors. Of such in appear unable to hold anything. Nostitutional detail one can speak but in whimsical suppositions and fancies, for exact information is lacking. On one point, however, there remains no question. The record of this strange club bears out the old quotation, Handsome is that handsome does."

This organization, which in 1919 raised £6000 to teach men carpentry, blacksmithing, and other pursuits, has lately purchased a farm for the training of boys in agriculture. Durmuch in evidence; motorcars of all ing the next 18 months, says a press makes hoot their way through crowds dispatch, "the Uglies" hope to train

If this is the way ugly men coma link with the past. They rumble Cyrano do Bergerac, the members of rather heavily over the stone pave. the Ugly Men's Association undoubtment, drawn by horses decked out | edly carry their adornments in less

Sciatica Yielded to Kruschen

There can be no doubt that this man has finished walking with a stick, for it is now four years since he discarded

He writes: - "For 18 months I suffered with chronic sciatica and rheumatism, and was unable to walk withing Kruschen Salts for a short time, I plaint, and have not lost a day from work. I stall never be without Krusweight in gold. You can use this letter as you please, as I can honestly re- be named. Johnny?" commend Kruschen Salts to any sufferer."-C. F.

If the eliminating organs become be that." sluggish, they permit harmful uric acid to accumulate and deposit itself in the said when the nurse brought them in." tissues, muscles and joints in the form of needle-pointed crystals, which, salts in Kruschen stimulate the elimin- Cleaner." ating organs to healthy, regular action. Mischievous uric acid is then given no chance to collect.

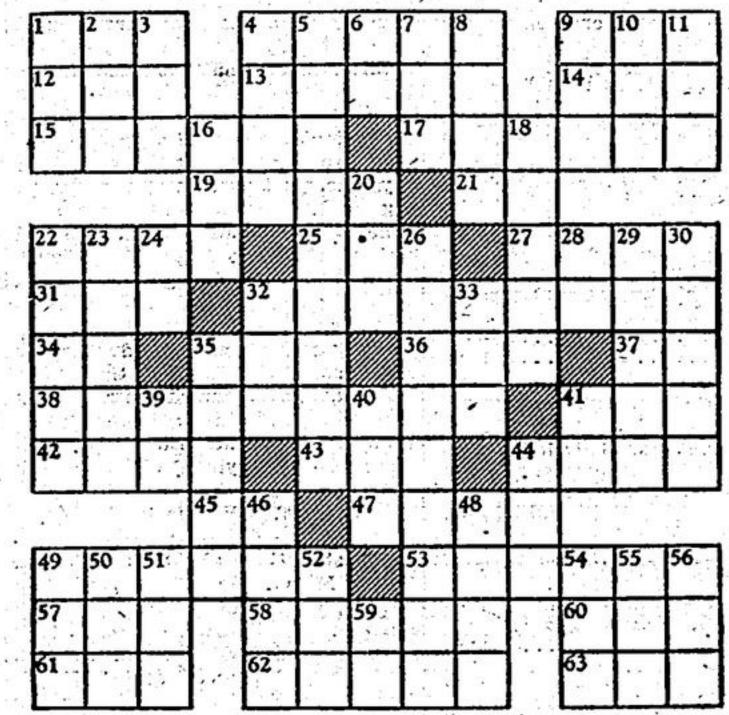
#### Taken Literally

A census taker, on asking a woman how old she was, received the following answer: "Do you know how cld the Hill girls

next door are?" "Sure." "Well, I am as old as they."

The census taker wrote down, "As -Shakespeare old as the hills."-Congregationalist

## CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



Horizontal

1-Negative 4-Urges

9—Operated

12-Anger 13-Uncanny

14-Personality

15-Jumped

17-Slang: energy 19-Astringent salt

21-Italian River

22-To unite with

25-Wheel tooth 27-Mislaid

31-Frequently 32-Astronomer

34-Whether 35-Hawaiian wreath 36-Grain spike

37-Negative 38-Southern Indians 41-Drunkard 42-Gallows

43—Sister

44-Jutting rocks

.11-Conjunction 16-Dish 18-Arctic

20-Large bird

10-Years old

3-Beverage

5-Lessening

7-To plunge

6-Conjunction

8-10 percolate

9-Corded cloth

4-To pare

22-Cross timber

45-To leave 47-To expand 23—Bid 24-Pronoun 49-To attach 26-Back stage apart-53-War instrument

57-Meadow ment 28-Weight (abbr.) 58-To sing 60-Affirmative 29—Title C1-Boy. 30—Jogs

32-Japanese coin 62-Foe 33-Fuel 63-To obtain 35-Vassal Vertical 39-Pronoun 1-Nothing 40-To drag 2-Mineral

> 41-To such extent 44-Two (Scotch) 46-Formerly 48—Sole 49-The whole

50-Edible seed 51-Cushion 52—Tribe of Israel

54-To silence 55-To scrutinize 56-To soak 59-Note of scale

### Owl Laffs

First Floorwalker-Poor old Perkins has completely lost his hearing. I'm afraid he'll lose his job."

Second Floorwalker - "Nonsense! He's to be transferred to the complaint St. Winnipeg. Man. department.

Hot Blasts

Some minds are so open that they body loves a flat man. A man is sometimes known by the ignorance he is willing to admit. And remember that good luck is a lazy man's estimate of j a worker's success. Make the best of \_\_ the trouble you have and don't go IC around hunting for more. A wave of emotion has swept more than one man into the sea of matrimony. When a woman cleans her-husband's pipewell, she surely loves him.

Fetch a Basket "Have you noticed how Ashton

drops his aspirates?" 'It's nothing to the way he drops his vowels. I've got more than a dozen of his I. O. U's."

And after all, isn't the modern girl fith her paint, lipstick and rouge just

He-"Oh, you mustn't blame me for She-"I don't. I blame them for

All Set For a Massacre "I told my wife I would shoot any man who had flirted with her at the

seaside." "What did she say?" "She told me to bring a machine-

Willie-"I'm ready to eat Mother-"Have you washed your

Willie-"No." Mother-"No what?" Willie-"No soap."

Incriminated Guest-"Your little daughter looks

so good and quiet." Hostess-"I hadn't noticed. come here-what naughtiness have you been up to now?"

Caller-"And what are the twins to Johnny-"Helen and Maria."

Johnny-"Well, that's what Daddy ters prefer blondes."

The advertisement read thus: "Bepiercing the nerve sheaths, cause ex- fore you put the baby on the floor, Let amusement fill up the . inks of cruciating pains of sciatica. The six clean it thoroughly with our Vacuum your existence, but not the great

> .. Knows His Oats Beginner-"Now, my man, I want to hire a horse. How long can I have

Groom-"Well, sir, we usually leave that to the horse." It takes more than one swallow to

make a summer-and more than one firtation to make a vacation.

Grace-"I didn't accept Bob the first time he proposed."

Graceless-"No, you weren't there." Says a famous novelist: "A man of experience can generally tell a wo man's age." But he lacks experience if he does.

"Who invented high heels?" asked



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