

## A Country Garden

By Mrs. Gordon MacMillan

August

The heat of August. The cricket creeps. From shade of leaf. To shade of leaf. And rests. And a note of rasping music issues. From his heat-silenced harp.

Yet night comes on. The evening brings. The brief recess. From effort's strain. The cool relief. When stars and moon. Give hint that soon. A fragrant, sun. A longer rest is due. When growth is done.

—D. Waugh.

August is a lovely month in the flower garden. Many blooms are on the roses and the garden is fragrant with perennial phlox and annual stocks. Tall Hollyhocks are making the garden gay with color. This season seems to be especially favorable for these flowers and there is very little rust. Double Hollyhocks that were grown from seed have been transplanted from the field and with some watering on the hottest days are doing very well.

Violas and Perenne and Sweet William have also been transplanted to parts of the borders where biennials have finished blooming. Old Tulips that were reeled in sand have been gathered and cleaned ready for Fall planting. In a garden it is possible to work and plan for "next year's garden" every day of the year. Seeds have been gathered ready to sow and it is possible to acquire many plants by this method.

The Head Gardener, Villa Taranto Italy, writes . . . "Savoy seed from one's garden can be a labour of absorbing interest and considerable gain. In most cases trees and shrubs, herbaceous plants, alpines, bulbs and aquatics produce a rich harvest which is available to all who are prepared to collect it. In many

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## Cook's Corner

### BLUEBERRY AND SOUR CHERRY JELLY

3 1/2 cups (1 1/2 lbs.) juice, 7 cups (3 lbs.) sugar, 1 bottle liquid pectin. Crush thoroughly about 1 quart fully ripe blueberries. Stem and crush (do not pit) about 1 1/2 quarts fully ripe cherries. Combine fruits; add 1 cup water. Bring to a boil and simmer, covered, 10 minutes. Place in jelly cloth and squeeze out juice. Measure 3 1/2 cups into large saucepan.

Add sugar to juice in saucepan and mix well. Place over high heat and bring to a boil stirring constantly. At once stir in pectin. Then bring to a full rolling boil and boil hard 1 minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat, skim, pour quickly into glasses. Paraffin at once. Makes about 10 six-ounce glasses.

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### Morning Smile

Far Worse

She was fat and over forty, but still kittenish. The young man she had cornered at the party was thinking hard for some excuse to escape. At last he murmured: "Do you remember the youngster who used to tickle you under the chin at school?"

"Oh," she exclaimed gushing, "so that's who you are!" "No," he said, blandly, "that was my father."

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## ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

"And you didn't manage to close all the doors, Ellen?" James said when we later talked of this evening's sharp electrical storm. "After this when we're away, you should take better note of the clouds," James had been at Alderley, with children and helping working feverishly, we suspect, to have every last load saved to complete there the having before the impending storm should break. It turned out that this race with the weather, while not entirely won by the humans concerned, since an end still remains to be gathered, will in the near future allow the scene of it to shift to this place of Rob's.

"And you didn't notice the thunderheads, Ellen—and how threatening to the west?" James asked. "Well, never mind, you did well, as it happened. It's not pleasant to be alone in an electrical storm—I myself don't enjoy it."

"We found the interlude of storm neither pleasant nor alarming, though it did present its concerns. Personally we accept such occasions with composure, respecting them and observing any known precautions for safety for ourself and those about at the time. We prefer to be indoors with doors and windows closed. —Tim, our one-time hired man, a happy-go-lucky fellow used to laugh about this and wonder whether it would be easier 'to be killed all at once or to smother slowly like this!' This evening we managed to reach shelter in time, but it was beneath a barn-roof and, in our haste to enter, the door remained a bit open.

We had gathered the cows from the pasture, expecting momentarily the return of the family; wondering if should clouds not pass in threats as we hoped, perhaps it would be wiser on our part to leave the herd in the field than to bring them to a stable equipped with water-pipes and whatnot, to our mind, potential conductors of electricity. Even as the last of the eight disappeared within, we saw a wave of rain sweeping down on us from the neighboring farmlands.

"When we're away, Ellen, don't attempt to tie the cows—Remember!" James' words came to mind. We closed the door and sought quick refuge in the barn feeding-floor beside.

The thunder rumbled and crashed ominously, the lightning zig-zagged on the sky, the rain teemed, to run away in a stream along the barnyard. And we smiled ruefully on our perch on a grain-box. And repeated in mind the words of the harassed general at Waterloo, changing them slightly to fit the occasion: "Would to Heaven that James or Rob were here!"

Another reminder of James' came to mind: "Never mind shutting your eyes or stopping your ears to it, Ellen—look about after any wicked flash to see that nothing's burning." We stuck our head out into the deluge barely a split moment but long enough to drench our "wave" and to see at closer hand the elements at war. . . . And now a cow in the stable beyond the wall sank down "with shuddering

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## DOROTHY DIX'S COLUMN

### Little White Lies

#### Each A Stepping Stone To Further Deception

DEAR MISS DIX: How can one deal with a person who believes little white lies are necessary?

My fiancé is a fine person, except for the fact that he can see no harm in small lies, or minor dishonesties. His lying is usually done to put himself in the right—where he insists on being at all times. He also thinks it's very smart to get away with a few pennies on a purchase, or other financial deal. The funny part of it is, he regards himself as scrupulously honest. A "shady" financial transaction is, to him, "clever." He has been honest enough with me. He brags a lot, but since I realize it, he isn't exactly putting anything over on me. Other people, of course, may not take so charitable a view of his extravagant fibs.

Do you know of a cure for him?

LORA



Muriel Nilsen

White lies, minor frauds, petty dishonesties, all have their origin in a desire to show off, to be clever, to "put one over" on the other fellow. Can you see anything admirable in any one of these qualities? Yet you think your fiancé a "fine" person!

If you can regard his failings with a little more objectivity, there's a chance you could effect a reform. As matters stand now, I think you go along with his idea that there is nothing too wrong in his actions. If you will take a firm stand of disapproval, tell him in no uncertain terms that he either gives up his smart alecky tricks, or you'll give him up, you may get a little sense into his dishonest brain. A good book on moral values would also have a corrective effect. Get your minister to recommend one.

It is truly amazing how many people gleefully cheat a bus company out of a dime, or a chain store out of a dollar. It almost seems to be a challenge with them. Just try stealing a dollar from them, however, and watch the thunder roll. The ultimate effects of cheating and lying, are, of course, judged in ratio to the amount of harm very accomplishment has weakened the moral fibre of the perpetrator. As it is, the complexities of modern living create enough attacks on our morals; those we can avoid should be sedulously by-passed.

If your efforts, Lora, fail to reform your fiancé, he would not rank very high as a matrimonial risk. You'll probably find yourself living in a continual state of deceptions and falsehoods.

DEAR MISS DIX: For the past three years I have been a widow. My four children are all grown. During the last year I have been going with a widower 28 years my senior. I am 49. He never has said anything about getting married, so I finally told him he was taking up my time as I need a home and someone to look after me—not a friend. Was I right?

ANSWER: Since you are definitely looking for a husband and home, you were quite right to send your friend on his way. He undoubtedly has no interest whatsoever in marrying and you'd be foolish to continue wasting your time with him.

DEAR MISS DIX: Two weeks ago I wrote to my boy friend who is in the Navy and said I thought we should discontinue writing for a while. I had a few reasons for my decision—religious difference, and the fact that I'm only 16 and my parents thought I was getting too serious over the boy. Now I feel I made a mistake and though I wrote and apologized, I haven't heard further from him.

ANSWER: Under the circumstances, you probably are better off leaving the matter where it is. A renewed correspondence now will only increase the difficulties. It will make your friendship more serious than it was before, while still complicated with the religious and age problems.

### Better English

By G. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "Mary never let on that she had gotten to know Charles."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "viands"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Hibiscus, Hippocratic, hierarchy, hiacinth.
4. What does the word "indispensable" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with ben that means "kindly"?

ANSWERS  
1. Say, "Mary did not intimate that she had become acquainted with Charles." 2. Pronounce vi-ands, i as in vine, a as in and, accent first syllable. 3. Hyacinth. 4. Absolutely necessary. "His services are indispensable." 5. Benignant.

given time for forging ahead on a more secure and reasonable basis. Work for an ultimate climax to well-laid aims and ambitions, with perhaps some change of plans. A child born on this day will have sound ability and character to attain position and influence in life. It should be industrious and dependable.

### The Stars Say --

By Genevieve Kemble

For Tomorrow

A RATHER pronounced and decisive turn of the tide is assured by this day's sidereal operations. The very potent influence of the luminaries in juxtaposition could prove a benign force for melting away opposition or breaking up crystallized situations. Wise postponements give complicated or sinister conditions time to incubate, and permit constructive plans to ripen. Friendly aid may remove obstacles and provide substantial ways and means for action.

For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is are advised to take advantage of adapting tactics and opportunities for long-range and enduring culminations to ambitious plans and objectives recently postponed or interrupted by lack of sufficient support or cooperation from those in high places. The delay may have



"TWILIGHT" WEDDING — Fred Ellenburg of Glastonbury, Conn., escorts his 93-year-old bride, the former Mrs. Margaret E. Beebe, from a New York church after their wedding. Ellenburg, a veteran of the Spanish American War, is 73. They said they married "to enjoy our last twilight together."

### That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

#### SIMPLE METHOD OF DIAGNOSING LIVER DISEASE

Most of us are so interested in, or concerned about, the heart that we practically ignore the liver. It is true that as far as life itself is concerned the heart is our most important organ, but from the standpoint of general health it has been well said that life depends on the liver. As compared with the heart (just a muscle pump), the liver is a very busy organ. It stores sugar, filters the blood, manufactures bile, which bile is nature's purgative, and produces a substance for the formation of the blood. If the liver fails in any of these jobs, then the individual, even with a strong heart and muscular body, does not enjoy good health.

There are various methods of testing the condition of the liver, one of which is using a dye by mouth or injection into a vein and then finding how long it takes the liver to clear this dye out of the blood. This is called liver function test, the physicians feeling that if the liver does this job well, it is doing its other jobs well also.

However, there is one method of examining the liver and getting a knowledge of the actual condition of the liver cells. It is called the biopsy test. Biopsy is "cutting out a small piece of an organ and examining its cells under a microscope. One method of obtaining a piece of the organ is by use of a certain type of needle which "punches out" enough of the cells for examination.

In California Medicine, San Francisco, Drs. W. E. Mollie and L. Kaplan report 401 needle biopsies of the liver of 312 patients and state that needle biopsy provides information that cannot be readily obtained with any other method. The chief reasons for use of needle biopsy are to determine the cause of liver enlargement (liver enlargement often occurs with a failing heart), to find the cause of jaundice, to distinguish between malignant (cancer) disease and cirrhosis (hardening of the liver), to determine when hepatitis (liver inflammation) has subsided and to estimate the value or effect of treatment given.

"At times systemic disease that has not been recognized by other means may be diagnosed by needle biopsy." Thus when examination of liver was made after death, it was found that the correct diagnosis was made by biopsy in 85 per cent of cases.

Unfortunately, there are some cases where needle biopsy cannot be made safely, but in the majority of cases this simple method of learning the condition of the liver is available to the physician.

### Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Leo

Q. Do the bridesmaids in the receiving line at a wedding reception shake hands with all the guests?  
A. The bride and bridegroom



TRIO IN EXILE — Former King Farouk of Egypt holds his six-month-old son, the infant King Ahmed Fuad II, as he and ex-Queen Narriman talk to reporters on the Isle of Capri. Farouk denied that he had had him a fortune in treasure and said he plans to remain on the Italian island until he has decided where to go in exile.

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are the only ones expected to offer their hands. The maid of honor and the bridesmaids do not usually shake hands, unless, of course, the guests happen to offer their hands first.

Q. Should the candles on the dinner table be lighted after the guests have seated themselves?  
A. No; they should be lighted immediately before dinner is announced.

Q. Is it all right to use one's visiting card on which to write regrets for being unable to accept an invitation?  
A. No; the invitation must be answered on personal stationery.

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