



FOR THE WEST SHORE.
LILLITH TO LAWRENCE.

BY MEX LINTON.

Dear love: I'm sitting very humble in my place,
So very humble because loving so;
Lo! love's contentment lies upon my face,
And folds about my heart this summer glow.

I crave no higher meed of fame than this—
"She holds his heart with modest, wifely grace,
Her accents fall as softly as a kiss;
She makes her home her husband's resting-place."

'Tis sweeter than men's praise, this wifely crown,
Thus placed on my young head by such as thou;
Upon whose soul God's truth is folded down,
Like fruitage on an Autumn-laden bough.

Henceforth we two, whose souls have newly
kissed,
Will stand up high above the social wrongs,
That warp the truth and mar love's suzerainty—
The world is sad that should be fall of songs.

We will not wander in its dusty lanes,
But walk where souls grow purer day by day,
Outside the gates of worldly lusts and gains,
Along a better and more sacred way.

We'll not clasp hands with creeds that lead
astray,
But take the Word and do the best we know;
As there's one God, so there is one true way;
We'll seek for that, and let the others go.

And so, dear heart, our love will ever grow,
Till rosy morn shall wax to cloudless noon,
And noon shall wane to evening's hallowed glow,
And night shall gather round our lives o'er-
soon.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Descriptions of Albany, Astoria and Oregon City are
unavoidably crumpled out, but will pos-
sibly appear in next number.

Bobby—Received; kept over until we establish
a department for young folks.

D. L. (Eugene City)—Thanks for your kind at-
tention. Ours is not a political paper, therefore
declined.

N. M. R. (Jacksonville)—Pleased to hear that
our October article in September number gave
such general satisfaction. We hope you'll strike
"The Unfound Rich Lodge."

Joan (Laker City)—Yes, sir, your part of the
country—and, in fact, all of Eastern Oregon—will
receive our early attention. A number of views
from your section are now in engraver's hands.

HUNTER (Olympia)—As soon as a wound is in-
flicted get a light stick (a knife or file handle will
do) and commence to tap gently upon the wound.
Do not stop for the hurt, but continue till it bleeds
freely and becomes perfectly numb. When this
point is reached, you are safe. All that is then
necessary is to protect it from dirt. Do not stop
short of the bleeding and the numbness, and do
not on any account cease the opening with plaster.
Only a little resin is necessary.

FANNY B.—The color of the eye is a mere mat-
ter of taste. It has often been said that a woman
with a hazel eye never sleeps from her husband,
never chafes against, never sacrifices her husband's
comforts for her own, never finds fault, never
talks too much of her little, is always an entertain-
ing, agreeable and lively companion. "We never
knew," said a quill-driver, "but one uninteresting
and unamiable woman with a hazel eye, and she
had a nose which looked, as the Yankees say, 'like
the little end of nothing whittled down to a point.'
The gray is the sign of shrewdness and talent.
Great thinkers and captains have it. In women it
indicates better head than heart. The dark hazel
is noble significance, as in beauty. The blue eye
is admirable, but may be foolish. The black eye—
take care! Look out for the wife with a black
eye! Such can be seen at the police office, gener-
ally, with complaint against the husband for
assault and battery."

PROPRIETY.—What kind of introduction will
justify me in visiting a young lady as a suitor?
For instance, would an acquaintance made at a
party, through a respectable medium, allow me to
call upon the lady; and should I so call, and be
politely received, could I visit her as a suitor, never

having seen her parents, with whom she resides?"
—Your question discloses what may be called
something of a defect in our social system. The
first consideration of a gentleman on entering the
house of a stranger should be to present himself to
the heads of the family; and, should he entertain
so serious a purpose as that of matrimony, he
could not omit, if he were governed by proper feel-
ings, to make known to them something of his
"antecedents," as well as to advise them of his in-
tentions of visiting their family. When these
grounds and conditions are permitted to be set
aside, an inference unfavorable to the character,
or at least to the nice sense of propriety of the
lady, might be drawn, which would discourage a
man who sought a high-principled woman from en-
gaging any further in the pursuit of her hand.

THE CULTURE OF FLOWERS.

Summer will soon be numbered with the past,
and very little remains to be done in the flower-
garden. All plants not taken up yet and imbedded
for house-culture, should be potted and placed in
their winter quarters, so as to get them used to in-
door life before the fires are started for winter. A
plant, after living out doors all summer, will
rarely ever do well in winter unless it is gradually
acclimated to indoor life.

In our next number we shall have something to
say about the general treatment of plants in win-
ter, also about the prevention and cure of the dif-
ferent diseases and insects they are subject to.
We shall now close our article for the month with
a few words on the

TREATMENT OF THE CALLA LILY.—Although
this beautiful plant grows and blooms under the
most unfavorable circumstances, it will, with a
little extra attention, do so much better as to well
repay any one for the trouble. Prepare soil in
about equal parts of well rotted cow manure, black
loam and sand, mixing about two table-spoonfuls
of powdered charcoal to every bush-pot of pre-
pared soil. After potting, sink the pot up to the
rim on the lawn, and water slightly for a few
days. As soon as signs of life appear, give plenty
of water daily, and remove plant to the house.
The least touch of frost generally prostrates the
Calla. However, don't be discouraged by these
little accidents. When you have a mishap of this
kind, give your Lily a good shower-bath overhead
with cold water, and remove to a dark place for
a few days, when it will generally come out all
right. It is always safest, however, not to let frost
get near a Calla.

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