

The Paying Guest

By Loretto C. Lynch.
A motherly woman, whose thrifty family had married off, found herself with a 12-room house on her hands. It was located an hour's journey from the city. She had a little income and there was no debt on the home. Yet she did not feel quite equal to keeping borders. Finally she hit upon a novel plan.

It was a woman buyer for a large department store that first told me about Mrs. Holmes' Retreat. "I just run out there week-ends, and it does me more good than any plan of rest I have tried. Really, I'd pay her twice the price if she asked it." Seems that when a tired business person left the office on Saturday afternoon, he or she went directly by train to Mrs. Holmes' retreat. Upon arrival Mrs. Holmes had awaiting you your favorite lounging robe as well as your house slippers. And while you were getting out of your street clothes the hostess was filling the bathtub with water of the temperature you liked and laying out your toilet articles. Your bath over, you were ready to sink into a big chair by the large window of the bedroom. But while you were bathing Mrs. Holmes was making ready your luncheon tray. And such dainty food! You ate in your room. Then you either rested in bed or engaged in reading or, in fact, did almost anything you liked until dinner time.

If you desired, you came to the dining room. If you did not care to dress, again you had your meal in the room.

By Sunday morning you were beginning to like the place so well that you sort of wished it was only Saturday night again. For Mrs. Holmes not only brought your favorite Sunday paper to you, but she brought you the choicest breakfast on a snowy white tray.

The breakfast tray was one of the famous things about Mrs. Holmes' place. One frosty morning toward the fall of the year she served a breakfast of baked apple with real cream, broiled ham with a fresh egg, waffles with maple syrup, toast and the best coffee you ever drank in your life. To add beauty to the breakfast tray, there was a single purple aster from the garden and sometimes a tiny branch of colorful goldenrod.

Great care was taken to make each article served highly attractive. For Mrs. Holmes realized, as too many country boarding-housekeepers fail to realize, that she was catering to people who were not starving and therefore ought to be glad to get "anything." She knew her guests were used to the best, but they were tired folks, overworked and that their appetites needed coaxing. Dinner was served at 2:30 o'clock. By 5 the guests were ready for the night when they did not stay over until Monday morning.

Manners Reflect Changing Times

Sometimes, as was the case in the court of Louis XIV of France, etiquette runs away with itself and becomes ridiculous. In that court it was a breach of etiquette if any one but a certain nobleman handed the king his royal undershirt when he awoke in the morning. Another nobleman held his wash basin and another held the taper to his prayer book when he went through his kingly devotions.

If we look far enough back in history we could find that even these absurd regulations had their basis in a matter of convenience. Etiquette is the lubricating instance that makes the wheels of society run smoothly and when royal etiquette stipulates that a dozen or so graybeards, including the prime minister, should be present at the birth of a king's son, you may be sure that that rule originated so that later no one might suggest that the heir to the throne was a changeling or an impostor. And the custom of etiquette goes on after most folk have forgotten the "why or wherefore" of it.

In present day American etiquette a constant wedding or almost as soon as the need for a certain piece of etiquette passes out the etiquette becomes old fashioned, too. Practically every regulation of our etiquette can be traced to convenience or consideration. For instance, the matter of table etiquette. The whole idea of our so-called table manners is to make meal time a period of pleasant intercourse and not a mere feeding process.

If we all ate in private we might have the manners of pigs and give us no offense. But since we give usually eat with our friends or families we must be very careful. We must go about it noiselessly, and hence we have a certain list of rules for the management of the spoon and fork and knife, and because we would give offence to others if we spilled our food and were untidy about it we have another set of rules for the management of the napkin, our position at the table and our mode of masticating. In determining how to eat the various kinds of food the idea seems to be to find a way by which the process can be made least offensive.

There is no special etiquette for our way of bathing, though there was for poor little Queen Marie Antoinette, who always bathed with a group of ladies in waiting looking on—because we bathe in private. We can hold the soap as we please and splash as loudly as we want without running the risk of being illbred. All society asks us is that we shall be well tubbed and we can suit ourselves as to the method of securing that result. If we were hermits or Robinson Crusoes we should have few pages to our books of etiquette.

So the closer we live together, the more careful we should be of our manners. And for this reason the city folk who dwell close together have to think more of etiquette than country folk. Complicated machinery always needs more lubricating oil than machinery of few parts and so for those who live in close contact with one another need the most rules of etiquette.

Entry in Golf Tourney



Mrs. Robert Craig
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Mrs. Robert Craig is one of the Omaha women who will compete in the state golf tourney for women to be held at the Omaha Country club during the coming week. Women from the various clubs in the city and from several sections of the state will be contestants for the state championship.

Mrs. Craig is a member of the Omaha Country club and is an expert golfer. She has spent several months practicing her golf and is confident of a good showing at the tournament.

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Are Pepper and Salt Boxes Needed?

Are the salt and pepper boxes necessary adjuncts of the ceremonial dinner, or of any dinner that has been carefully prepared? This is a question that not infrequently perplexes the hostess who prides herself on the perfect equipment of her dinner table and the correctness of her entertaining.

The argument against placing these accessories on the dinner table is that such seasoning is unnecessary with a well cooked dinner and that they tend to "clutter up" the dinner table. Some persons place salt and pepper boxes only at intervals, making it necessary for two or three persons to share the same supply. This is well and good for an informal meal, but at a formal dinner it would be most inconvenient. Really, why should we have to have salt and pepper when all the food has been prepared in the kitchen? For breakfast it is different—then we need salt for eggs broken at the table, and we may use it on apples or bananas or other fruit. The argument is sometimes made that some persons like more salt and pepper than others, hence it is necessary to have these flavoring accessories on the table. But then some persons like more sugar than others and some persons like

more olive oil on their salad than others, and yet we have broken ourselves of having sugar passed with our pie and our pudding, and salad is usually dressed before it is served nowadays.

However, it is quite likely that most of us shall continue to have salt and pepper served on our dinner tables as well as our breakfast tables. How then should they be served? It is usual in England—probably because of the prevailing dampness there—to serve salt in an open cellar. The use of salt shakers is regarded as a gross Americanism by many persons. The shaker has numerous advantages, however. It is dustproof, while the open shaker, if left on the table or sideboard for ever an hour or so, must collect dust. Moreover, with the salt shaker there is no need for a salt spoon. On the other hand, in some sections of our own land there are damp seasons when a salt shaker, no matter how frequently cleaned and refilled, is bound to clog. There is nothing so irritating as a salt shaker that won't shake. One is tempted to resort to violence and bang the offending container on the table—even though we know that is a transgression of the law of table deportment that bids us dine noiselessly. It is because of the annoyance of the clogged salt shaker that most persons now use the open salt dishes. By many persons this type of container is regarded as "correct." If you have no silver spoons and do not wish to buy them, very small glass ladles made especially for that purpose may be bought for a small sum. Needless to say, the cellar should be filled fresh before every meal.

The salt should not be sprinkled over the food. It should be taken in sufficient quantity to last for the entire meal, and placed at the side of the plate. If it is desired for celery it may be placed at the side of the plate. It must never be shaken on the cloth for that purpose. Some persons first open their potatoes and wash them and their other vegetables conveniently on their plates and then shake around the salt and pepper. This, of course, is childish and positively incorrect. If there is no salt spoon never use the fingers nor a knife or spoon that has been used. Use a fresh knife or spoon.

Recipes

Ragout of Rice and Bacon.
Fry until browned six large slices of bacon and chop coarsely. Prepare a cupful of highly seasoned brown sauce, add a cupful and a quarter of dry-cooked rice and the bacon. Mix well and stir in two tablespoonsful of Chili sauce and one tablespoonful of chopped parsley. This may be served plain or it may be turned into a greased bak-

ing dish, the top covered with dried crushed crumbs mixed with a quick oven.
Gingerbread Pudding.
This is made from the gingerbread left over from the previous day's luncheon. Cover one cupful of crumbled gingerbread with one and a half cupfuls of hot milk and add half quarter of a cupful of brown sugar (scant), a quarter of a teaspoonful of salt, two slightly beaten eggs, half a teaspoonful of mixed ground spices and half a cupful of chopped seeded raisins. Turn into a buttered pudding dish, set in a pan of hot water and bake like custard until set in the center.

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