

After all is said and done, how does it taste in the cup? That is what counts!

"SALADA" TEA BAGS

yield the perfect flavour.

ANNE HIRST

Your Family Counselor

"Dear Anne Hirst: My husband and I have been married nine years, and love each other very dearly. But our life has been made a living hell by his mother. She is the most jealous, high-tempered, impossible person you ever hope to meet!"

"She succeeded in separating my husband from his first wife, and she has tried to part us, too. We had to give up our home on our ranch because of it, and she hasn't spoken to me in two years. My father-in-law is well-to-do. He buys his wife a new car every year, and spends money on her all the

time. While my husband and I barely get along! He is their only child, and this is the way they treat him!"

"She has been so mean to her husband that now he is having an affair with another woman of low character. His wife does not know about it—and he turned against us because we told him we discovered it. He is 74, my mother-in-law 68."

"Everybody that knows about it wants to tell her, but no one has the nerve to do so. I feel we would have our revenge if she learned of it, because then she'd suffer like she has as a sufferer."

"But how can we tell her when she won't speak to us?"

"Sometimes I feel I will have to get out of all this nervous strain! I don't see how I can go on."

WORRIED WIFE.

"It is human to want to hurt someone who has hurt you, but I hope you and your husband will be too noble to desert to such an unworthy act. Your mother-in-law would only hate you more than she does now, and I believe if you yield to this temptation you will regret it with all your heart. Revenge is sweet only to small minds."

"When such an affair is known to so many people, the wife is bound to learn of it. Don't, I beg, let her hear it from you."

"You were not smart to let your husband's father learn that you knew of his transgressions. That put him on the defensive, and has also alienated him further from you both—which makes your chances of gaining his good will more slim than they were. If you and your husband ever hope for a reconciliation with his family (as you surely will when you are more mature) you will need out of their personal affairs, and conduct yourselves with the dignity that becomes you."

"If you, a woman, will have her punishment, never fear, and it will be all the more bitter because everybody else knew of the affair first, and believe that she brought it on herself."

ANNE HIRST.

"Don't try to revenge yourself on anyone else. It backfires. Instead, call on your spiritual charity. That is the only course that can bring you peace." Anne Hirst is here to help you get the most out of life. Write your problems to her, at Box 1, 123 Eighteenth St., New Toronto, Ont.

A lighthouse-keeper had been keeping the same lighthouse for 25 years, and every morning at 11 o'clock they fired off a very loud gun from the mainland—every morning for 25 years at 11 o'clock, bang went the gun. Then one morning eleven o'clock came and the gun didn't go off, and the lighthouse-keeper kept in the air and said: "Blimey! What's that?"

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1. Norwegian territorial division
2. Cavern
3. Precious
4. Silk worm
5. Secondhand
6. Dry weather
7. Artist's studio
8. Poetry
9. Lopsided
10. Confusion
11. Force (Lat.)
12. Eerie
13. Stout amorous glance
14. Stopped
15. Acid fruit
16. Air comb.
17. Before
18. Father of Cal and Abel
19. Head of a venture
20. This one defeated
21. House of millions
22. Retirement
23. Unit of work
24. Employer of "State Bricks"
25. Period between morning and night
26. Heroine of "The Hobbit"

DOWN
1. Bone from an opera
2. Path to a lake
3. Dribbling
4. Mongrel dog
5. Little group
6. Shirts
7. Piece of ice
8. Rude
9. High pointed
10. Sound of action
11. City in Holland
12. Desert
13. Dry
14. Sea eagle
15. In the style of
16. The rule of
17. Unpublished
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Answer Elsewhere On This Page

CHRONICLES OF GINGER FARM

by Guendoline F. Clarke

May I be forgiven if I make use of our column this week to say "Thank you" for some of the lovely cards that came to us during the Christmas season. Perhaps I seem a little late in doing this but I thought it better to wait until all the excitement incidental to Christmas and New Year celebrations had simmered down. You see, I also had an idea you would all be so busy that you probably wouldn't have time to read this column anyway.

"Because it was such a busy season makes me appreciate more and more the kind thought that prompted so many of you to send along your good wishes to us at Ginger Farm. And there's just a card but on every card there was a little extra message written that gave it that personal touch we all like so much."

"Mrs. L. Fort. William. It was nice to hear from you again and to get your good wishes. I intended sending your address to Daughter but when I looked it wasn't on the card. But maybe she will remember it as she was looking for you. Yes, being a 'handy-dandy' is quite an undertaking but she is getting quite a kick out of it. Your boys must be getting big fellows now—even the youngest would enjoy all the Christmas activities. Your boys could not be anything but happy when you have the children with you. Hope 1951 will be a good year for you all in every way. You who show so much kindness to other folk, will, I am sure, find some of it comes back to you in full measure as the years go by."

"T.R., Faraday: Thank you for your very nice card and its appropriate verse for 25 years of time. To remember that verse may help a lot so you mind if I share it with others who read this column?" "The Lord will give strength without a doubt there can be no peace. I am very glad you enjoy this column even if you can't send me any help towards raising African violets! And that is just too bad because I got three new varieties given me for Christmas. Pretty soon I shall need more window space as well as advice. Best wishes for the New Year."

"M.L., Monteville. How nice of you to remember us again this year. With all the work you have to do I wonder you have time to give a thought to anyone outside your own family. But that is what happens all the time—the busiest people are the ones who have time for just one more job and their kindness spreads out and gathers others within the warmth of their own family circle. Hope your branch of the W.I. continues to flourish—it should do with such enthusiastic and hard-working members. Best wishes to you and your family and to all the members of your new Institute."

"J.B., Kenora: I am beginning to think it would not seem like Christmas without a card from you and the nice little note that you always send along. Your understanding and insight about some of our problems to -hed Partner and me very deeply. We appreciate your kind thoughts more than I can say. We were glad to hear you had such a nice trip but hope next time you are so near you will have time to stop at Ginger Farm for a cup of tea. So you noticed our "Mountain" Maybe you would not

find it particularly impressive just seeing it from the train or car windows but when you more or less live with it and have it in view all the time as we do, you get to know it and love it in all its moods. The other day as I was driving home I noticed the Mountain was backed by dark, forbidding clouds—that time it was majestic but still beautiful in an awe-inspiring way. By the way, it might interest you to know the name of our school section for the year is "Saskatchewan prairie" was "Bothwell."

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These deposits are called loss. They are 700 feet thick in some parts.

Burnt-out Meteors

High up in the air a vast amount of dust results from burnt-out meteors entering the earth's atmosphere.

Scientists analysed the dust found on the benches of a laboratory that had been sealed up for twenty years.

They found that some of it had come from outer space in the form of tiny metallic particles so small that the scaling of the room had made no difference to their entry.

Volcanic eruptions are another natural cause of dust. The eruption of Krakatoa in the East Indies threw about four cubic miles of dust into the air.

This was carried into the higher layers of the stratosphere and stayed there for two or three years, travelling many times round the earth before settling—perhaps on your suit.

Lady From Hades — Popping out to scare the, uh, dickens out of the audience at the annual Chelsea Arts Ball in London is "the devil," in the person of 18-year-old Nita Weiner outfitted in horns, trident and tail. Below is a backstage view of the lady Lucifer.

I will write you further particulars as I think you would be interested in its history.

Editor "H": It was nice of you to take time from your busy day to drop me a line about "Son of a Thousand Kings." It is surprising how much interest that quotation has aroused—and I still haven't heard from anyone yet who knows the whole poem. Maybe I'll get it yet and if I do it will certainly be included in this column.

"Well," it looks as if I must write "Him" for this week anyway—except for saying "thank you" to those readers who also sent cards but did not disclose their identity. We appreciate all the kind thoughts and good wishes that came from so many quarters to this, our own little corner of Ontario. It is that personal touch that has a way of bringing people closer together.

A deceptively horse was being offered to the highest bidder. An old farmer watched as a young man in riding breeches bid for the animal. When the sale was completed, he turned to the young fellow. "Tell me," he said, "what on earth are you going to do with that nag?"

"Oh," replied the cocky young sportsman, "I'm going to race him."

The farmer took a second look at the animal. "Well, you'll win," he said.

They Believe The Earth Flat

What sound is the world? Four scientists have gone to the back of Australia to find out, using highly sensitive equipment loaned by Cambridge University.

Each station is being set up at intervals of 300 to 500 miles, and among the equipment used are pendulums accurate to one ten-millionth of a second. They are tuned regularly to the U.S. Standards Bureau time signals broadcast from Washington.

So sensitive is the apparatus that a single spot of rust on a pendulum would nullify the calculations.

The information gained will call for study that will take two years to complete.

But one thing is certain now: whatever the scientists' conclusions may be, the "flat-earth" will be just as unimpressed as ever.

Persistent Race

It seems incredible that in the twentieth century there are still people who believe the earth is flat. The fact is there are plenty of them writes E. R. Varham in "Answers."

The Personal Column in "The Times" of August 14th, 1945, carried this announcement: "Earth is Flat, believe please write (names not divulged)." Write.

These people called themselves "Zetetics," a word which means "proceeding by intuition," which is just the very thing their opponents, the "round-earthers," say they are not doing. But that doesn't alter the fact that they are convinced they are right.

William Carpenter, of Baltimore, U.S.A., wrote a book entitled "The Hundred Proofs that the World is Not a Globe." It has gone into at least a dozen editions, and has a map of the world which professes to prove that the earth is a plane, with the land stretched out above the waters.

Many of its proofs are ingenious and interesting, and the whole compilation is a wonderful example of how the human mind can adapt itself to the demands of a preconceived idea in spite of the findings of science.

These flat-earthies are a curiously persistent race. In the twenties of last century a certain William Hampden was their protagonist, and he spent a fortune in the hopeless cause.

By 1905, Lady Bloom had taken over the leadership. "If the people of the Antipodes, do hang head downwards, why don't they do it when they come to London?" she asked at a