TELEPHONE ETIQUETTE.

"Hello" No Longer Good Form When Speaking Over the Wire—Code Developing.

"When answering the telephone do not say 'Hello' but answer by giving the firm's name," is a rule insisted upon by many large business houses in New York.

If this rule were made applicable to private persons as well there would be less confusion and "Central's" nerves would be in better condition. "Central" is blamed for every mistake made, but after all even "Central" is human, temperately remarks the World Magazine.

A great many women either pitch their voice too high or too low, shout into the mouthpiece or stand at a long distance from it, as if it were a high explosive capable of going off in a moment. As almost all telephone girls have pleasant voices, except when calling out "Busy!" speaking through the phone is merely a matter of practice. To be heard distinctly at the other end of the wire one must speak in tones that will not cause a reverberation or buzzing sound at one's own end. Distinct enunciation saves time and worry.

A private telephone often becomes a great expense to the owner if guests use it ad libitum, forgetting to pay for their calls. It is curious that the man or woman who would hesitate to borrow a two-cent stamp of you will use a dollar's worth of calls on your 'phone without flinching.

To be called away from the dinner table to answer some trivial question is an everyday occurrence. But fortunately the telephone habitues are gradually evolving a certain code of etiquette among themselves which governs the use of this necessary mode of communication. Some of the rules are:

Never telephone to a private house too early in the morning or too late at night, "too early" and "too late" being governed by the customs of the household.

Never telephone during meal hours.

Never use the phone of a person of slender means without at least offering to pay for its use.

Employes should never use the wires in a business office for long and protracted conversations with personal friends.

Don't forget that even if you are not seen across the 'phone wire you are probably being overheard by a third party, and possibly by others.

Don't shout into your private affairs over a public 'phone.

Don't blame the 'phone or "Central" for your own forgetfulness.

Don't, when some one is speaking at the 'phone within your hearing, stop your conversation. Go on talking or get out of hearing distance.

Don't talk for effect. Your conversation may be amusing to the friends he is talking to, but will prove puzzling to the person at the other end of the wire.

Learn to speak in well-modulated musical tones.

An invitation delivered over the 'phone is most informal and is only possible between good friends.

Don't act languid or lackadaisical when "phoning." Speak up in a healthy tone of voice.

Keep the mouthpiece and the telephone receiver clean and sterilized by rubbing both off with a cloth dipped in alcohol.

Don't be in a hurry.

Don't lose your temper.

When answering the phone give your name or the name of the house or person whom you represent instead of saying "Hello!"

HANDY BOOK CARRIER.

There Is Nothing More Inconvenient to Carry Than Books—This Case Practical.

Books are inconvenient things to carry any distance in one's hand, and if we have three or four that, perhaps, we have to take back to a library one week to change, it becomes almost a necessity to have some kind of case in which to carry them.

In our illustration we show a very simple and useful form of book carrier, that can be constructed out of almost any odd piece of material, an old piece of cloth, or velveteen being really the most suitable. It should be cut rather wider than the length of an ordinary size book; the length must be regulated by the number of books that will usually be carried in it, as it is wrapped round the books and is fastened by ribbon across the ends of books and ends of material. On the top is a handle made of double material, stitched firmly at the edges.

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The Complexion.

Every season has its special pernicious effect upon the complexion, and the woman who has learned the secret of refreshing her skin with buttermilk finds in it her weapon to combat the tan and sunburn of summer, and the roughening and chapping winds of winter, as well as the sudden changes of temperature of the intermediate seasons. After any outdoor sport, after chaises, after overexertion—in fact, whenever there is need of a cooling or reanimating bath it should be of buttermilk, and the beauty of it is that it does not leave a sour odor, as do milk and cream when they are used for bathing purposes, but leaves one as fresh and sweet as possible.

Wants Thinner Lips.

To reduce the size of one's lips requires an effort of the mind and will. Hold your lips in constantly—pinch them as it were, by contracting the muscles. Learn to speak with precision and learn to enunciate clearly and you will find your lips forming in the beautiful lines of the oratorical mouth as it is called in physiognomy.

Use Occasionally.

Salt is said to be good as a tooth powder, as it whitens the teeth and hardens the gums.

MAN THE BEST SWIMMER.

Far Ahead of the Lower Animals in the Respect of Natatory Power.

It is curious that whereas the rabbit cannot swim at all, the hare is an excellent swimmer. The common mouse and the field mouse can only swim a few yards; they drown in the act of swimming. Yet rats swim splendidly.

Lions and tigers swim well, although only from necessity—to cross a river, for example.

The horse can swim for miles without being exhausted, and shows a wonderful instinct in choosing the best available landing place. Bears and moles swim well, but bats and monkeys are helpless in the water. All reptiles swim; so do most insects.

Human beings have greater swimmin powers than most of the lower animals. A man has been known to swim 30 miles without a stop. The only land animal known to have even approached this performance is the American black bear; but the American deer sometimes swims 12 or 14 miles at a stretch.

Consolation for the Nobodies.

If you are miserable because you are not great think of the former greatness of Rome and cheer up. For 1,100 years Rome was mistress of the known world. To-day the language of the Romans has almost been forgotten, and the Roman capital has no commercial importance, and is known among men merely as a curio. The Romans, noted as philosophers and soldiers, who invaded and subdued every nation known at the Roman period, are now museum curiosities. Fortunately they have been spared the humiliation of Rameses II., in Egypt I saw the body of this great ruler on payment of 20 cents. If you are not great you will at least escape the humiliation of having your body exhibited 2,000 or 3,000 years after death.—Atchison Globe.

Art Societies in Germany.

In nearly every city of 20,000 or more in Germany there is an art society. Weekly art exhibitions are held, and the display is changed at the end of each week and passed along to the society next in regular order until the circuits of the art societies in the association are completed.

Putting It Strong.

The story goes that all the 1906 onion crop of Bermuda has already been sold in advance of production to an Englishman who proposes to bring out a cure for consumption, having onion-juice for its chief ingredient.—Hartford Courier.

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Mountain for Kaiser.

The kaiser has recently become a landowner in Switzerland by means of a legacy. A wealthy German merchant bequeathed to the emperor a whole alp, known as the Iffigen alp, in the canton of Berne.

Physical Effect.

"It broadens one's horizon, so to speak, does it not," inquired the man who was studying municipal conditions, "to serve the city in the capacity of alderman?"

"I dond know about that," answered the other man; "but I have noticed that it generally broadens his equator."—Chicago Tribune.

Ineffective Serum.

At the annual meeting of the Cancer hospital, London, the chairman of the medical committee stated that as a result of a visit to Paris by members of the surgical and pathological staffs, on invitation of Dr. Doyen, it could be stated that his serum was ineffective for the cure of cancer.

Converting Cannibals.

From the depths of the jungles inhabited by cannibals Bishop Augouard writes that "missionaries are transforming the ferocious Bondjos, ravening wolves, into lambs. The expression 'ravening wolves' is not used as a figure of speech; the term expresses a startling truth."

Centenarians Married.

The marriage has just taken place of a centenarian couple at Maysville, O. The bridegroom is Capt. Kuhns, aged 101, a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, while the bride, Mrs. Sarah Crawford, has just passed her hundredth birthday. Their courtship commenced 70 years ago.

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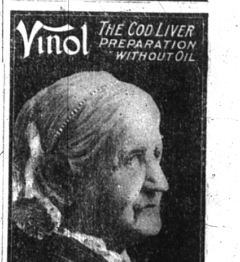

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ALMERON WHITEHEAD, Deceased.

J. Allen Bigelow, executor of said estate, having filed in said Court a petition, praying for the examination and allowance of his final account and settlement of the estate:

It is ordered that the 7th day of May, A. D. 1906, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition. It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.

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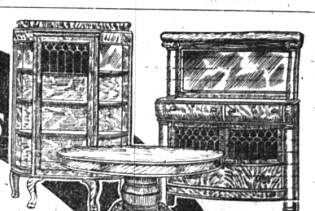

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