

## Disturbers of Traffic not the Street But Those on the Sidewalk

WHEN people make a census of the traffic in a big city they stand at a popular corner and count the vehicles in the roadway. The man who counts reaches appalling figures. The Paris prefect of police has been counting the carriages—close on ten thousand of them—which pass the crossing of the Rue St. Honoré and the Rue Royale between three and seven in the afternoon; and an unofficial observer has been watching the crossing between Gray's Inn road and Theobalds road where seven people were killed in six weeks, and calculated that each person who braved the passage had to dodge thirteen vehicles—a most unlucky number. But the roadway in these days is the property of the vehicle; the foot passenger is permitted the crossing at his own peril or by the courteous strength of the policeman's arm.

There are, however, some millions of Londoners who do not own motor cars, do not take a taxicab from lunch to office, Londoners who walk along the pavement, plunging through crowds to perform their daily duty of picking pockets, legally or otherwise, and wanting to get there with the least possible difficulty. There is no law that I know as to the conduct

of the pedestrian, so long as he is not drunk and disorderly. But there are certain rules that should be kept—certain minor offences that should be avoided.

The average Londoner of the business section is well trained, otherwise no one would ever get anywhere when once he found himself in Cheapside. He moves in a straight line ahead. No public notice is set up. I once discovered a series of notices in a road in Clifton—set up by a faddist "Please keep to the right"—and I had the whole road to myself. The real Londoner on business travels like the Atlantic liners, which follow East and West routes and never jostle each other. The real Londoner never looks aloft. He has probably never seen the top of St. Paul's from the churchyard. If you see a man walking in the city and looking upward you will know he is from the country and he soon finds himself bumped to earth again. That is the reason why at certain seasons of the year—Cattle Show, May meetings, and the August incursion (when London is empty)—it is so hard to get about on foot since there are so many people about that do not observe the unwritten rules. A tramp steamer out of its proper course in mid-Atlantic is a danger to traffic. A motor-bus, broken down and slewed across the road, will disorganize Piccadilly. It is

the same with the pedestrian in London. Permit me to drop a few hints to the rare offenders; possibly I shall encourage them by the avowal of their amazing power in a crowded city. Here and there you encounter the man who does not know which way he is going. He meets you dodges right and left, and compels you to execute a chase on the pavement. There is a very sure way of dealing with him—for you are merciful to those behind you. If you look him in the face you will never get by him. So soon as you see him hesitating—look to the right. It will encourage him, and the traffic will proceed. And as you are carried along by the stream of traffic you may notice—suddenly—a man in front. He has thought of something! So unusual is the phenomenon that he stops short in surprise. He has forgotten probably to post a letter about which he swore to his wife that—Now that man with the sudden stop can throw twenty yards of hurrying pedestrians out of gear. I would not suggest that all pedestrians should be compelled to wear a red light in front and a white light behind, but the man who becomes contemplative in the middle of traffic might hold up his hand to indicate that he has thought of something and is going to stop, and think some more about it. This much of courtesy he might borrow from the manners of the roadway.

Look down and then you will encounter a man who, ignoring the general rule of keeping the nose front and following it, looks behind him—and walks on. He is the most pestilent of fellows in a crowded street, for he disorganizes the pedestrians behind and before. Those behind should kick him into line. If

he meets you, there is but one safe course. It is impossible to steer clear of the man who is slewing with eyes behind. He should really run up the maritime signal, "Not under control." In default of that your only safe plan is to stand still. He will certainly run into you, but you may diminish the shock. If you are carrying an umbrella—and all sane Londoners carry an umbrella—hold it horizontally, forale in front. Don't jab him in the eye; catch him under the fifth rib, and say, "Sorry!" He will be sorrier—and wiser, next time.

It is not easy to find room for sticks and umbrellas in London streets, unless they be used with such discretion as I indicate. Now and again you meet or overtake men who swing them, trail them. The man who swings his stick should be introduced at once with the proper credentials to the parish mortuary. There he should be side by side with the man who tucks his stick under his arm while he lights a cigarette or buys a newspaper, thereby throwing a square yard of pavement out of bounds and endangering the eyesight of anyone who comes end on. For it is quite easy to come end on to a ferrule before you see it. I have seen a peaceful citizen banged in the nose by a 20-foot ladder carried on the shoulder of an honest British workman. He met it end on. It would not be a bad plan to enact a sumptuary law that all sticks carried in the streets of London should have the curved handle that will hang over the wrist when the stick hand is needed otherwise. But the nice conduct of the clouded cane in nothing to the demands of the umbrella—open—on a wet day. For here comes personal pride as a disturbing factor. You see with an open um-

Never varying—  
Not made by guess work—  
Nearest to perfection—  
**Husler's Flour**

brilla meet another man similarly guarded. Which shall lower the flag as the passage is made in the crowd? Obviously the etiquette is that the shorter of the twain shall pass his umbrella under that of the taller. But no man is thoroughly sincere about his tallness. And on a wet day I continually met men who think their five feet ten superior to my five feet nine—confound them! There is a dash of umbrellas, and the traffic is disturbed. Without undue discourtesy it may be stated that women are among the most unsatisfactory of pedestrians. I will say nothing of the nursemaid and her perambulator; for I know an excellent clergyman with a sneer who spent his life in prosecuting nursemaids who wheeled perambulators on the pavement, and died at last in a lunatic asylum. But you will find in the great shopping areas that the main tide of pedestrians is composed of women. They all walk with the eyes turned to the shop windows. That is all very well if you

are walking in one direction and obeying the rules. But if you are walking in the other, you will notice that on account of the general trend of womanhood towards the shop windows you cannot get along. Even the nursemaid's perambulator slows blindingly across your toes as the maid covets the "sacred" hats. Cheapside at lunch-time is easier to traverse than High street, Kensington, on a Saturday morning.—London Chronicle.

Foley's Honey and Tar clears the air passages, stops the irritation in the throat, soothes the inflamed membrane, and the most obstinate cough disappears. Sore and inflamed lungs are healed and strengthened, and the cold expelled from the system. Refuse any but the genuine in the yellow package—P. J. Hill Drug Co., "The Never Substitutors."

### TON OF CHINESE HAIR FOR AMERICAN WOMEN'S "RATS"

A ton of Chinese hair recently arrived from the far east, destined for the heads of women, after being made into what are known as "rats." Mr. Marcel, prince of Parisian capillary artists, was recently the guest of honor at a banquet given him by the hair-dressers of London. As he entered the hall of festivity, he was acclaimed by the band, which struck into, "See, the Conquering Hero Comes!" He it is who invented a method of "waving" the hair which no woman can consummate unaided. Twenty-eight years ago he perfected his process; today he has a chateau in Normandy. Until recently,

by the way, curls from off the heads of peasant maids in Normandy and Brittany were adorning more Parisian brows in Paris. Now the supply is no longer equal to the demand, and France also depends on Chinese importations. Says Addison: "I am not for adding to the beautiful edifices of nature, nor for raising any whimsical superstructure upon her plans."

"A woman who was but a peasant without her head dress appeared like a colossus upon putting it on. The women might possibly have carried this Gothic building much higher had not a famous monk, Thomas Conecte, he named, attacked it with great zeal and resolution. This holy man traveled from place to place to preach down this monstrous commodore; and succeeded so well in it that, as the magicians sacrificed their books to the flames upon the preaching of an apostle, many of the women threw down their head-dresses in the middle of his sermon and made a bonfire of them within sight of the pulpit."

A crusader of the twentieth century would have to preach with eloquence to inspire like results today. And the men, less efficiently equipped, keep busy the hair doctors and also buy large quantities of advertised hair-storers. The natural covering of the head, alas, probably is doomed. Some hundreds of centuries from now all of us, apparently, will be bald. Consolation, however, can be drawn from the knowledge that gradually baldness will come to seem as beautiful as now does smoothness on the cheek.—Collier's.

Come to the big ball, Republican Victrolous Club, Odson Hall, Friday Eve., Nov. 27. Tickets \$1.00 a couple.

# Z.C.M.I. CHRISTMAS GIFTS of Utility and Practicability for Men, Women and Children

Now is the time to select your Christmas Gifts—the assortment is large and varied and the store is not crowded to excess. Make your selections leisurely and with satisfaction to yourself. When the final rush comes salesladies will be tired, the store will be excessively crowded, and despite our every effort trading will not be as pleasant as during the coming week.

## Jewelry Gifts

A larger and more complete stock of Jewelry Christmas presents than we ever had before. Beautiful gifts at prices considerably less than those of any jewelry store in town.

Watches, back combs, watch fobs, scarf pins, bracelets, cuff links, brooches, coral beads, links, brooches, coral beads, fancy hat pins, handbags, collar supporters, necklaces.

And a fine assortment of illustrated postal cards.



OPENS MONDAY MORNING AT Z. C. M. I. Bring the Little Tots

Our greatest pleasure is derived from making others happy. Bring the children to see the toys. Watch their faces radiant with pleasure and satisfaction. Hear their cute sayings. It will indeed be an occasion of enjoyment to you.

Games, story books, blocks, magic lanterns, Xmas tree ornaments, pianos, paints, balls, dolls, doll furniture, sad irons for children, rattles, buckets, trains, toy watches, trumpets, tops, racers, police patrol carts, railway trains, wagons, whips, flexible flyers, and a great variety of mechanical toys.

At the west end of the aisle are large tables loaded with beautiful presents for either sex. Appropriate gifts that are useful and ornamental.

Toilet sets, manicure sets, beveled mirrors, shaving sets, jewel cases, handkerchief boxes, glove and handkerchief sets, ink wells, military brushes, collar and cuff boxes, powder boxes, jewel boxes.

## Gifts for Ladies

In our Notion Dept. you will find a carefully selected line of goods bought especially for the holiday trade.

Ruchings, boxes of handkerchiefs, real lace handkerchiefs, lace collarettes, fancy lace collars, ribbons, holly ribbons, fancy scarfs in colors, fancy work boxes, handbags, purses, and a beautiful assortment of fancy boxes of stationery.

## Gifts in Suits and Cloaks

What would give her more pleasure than a becoming gown, or a comfortable suit or coat? You cannot find more pleasing and appropriate gifts than those being shown in our Suit and Cloak Dept.

Furs, lounging robes, ladies' bath robes, silk kimonos—short and long, also a very fine line of flannelette kimonos, silk petticoats, mercerized petticoats, silk waists, lace waists, white shawls and opera coats.

## Hardware Dept. Gifts

Useful and substantial gifts for the home. Give the boy a present that will please him, and also have a tendency to make him useful around the home.

Tool cabinets, boys' tool chests, knives and forks, carvers, bread knives, pocket knives, razors, safety razors, skates for boys, girls, ladies, and gents, ranges, heaters, meat choppers, asbestos sad irons, aluminum ware and lap robes.

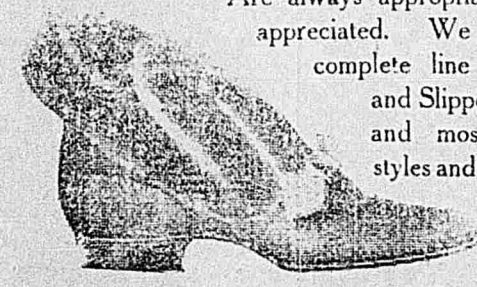
## Gifts in Dress Goods Dept.

We are showing Dress Goods in all the latest and most popular weaves and fabrics in all the fashionable colors. Silk for a gown or dress would please her.

Black silks, colored silks, dress goods, black and colored silk velvets, etc., and a fine line of Silk Umbrellas for ladies and gents.

## Gifts of Shoes and Slippers

Are always appropriate and always appreciated. We are showing a complete line of fine Shoes and Slippers in the latest and most up-to-date styles and patterns. Our prices are always reasonable.



OUR DRUG STORE IS AT 112-114 SOUTH MAIN STREET.

## LADIES' GLOVE GIFTS ALWAYS WELCOME

Ladies like to receive gloves. Our glove stock is up to its usual Christmas standard of completeness. Expert fitters are in readiness to wait on you promptly and expeditiously. The best quality gloves at the lowest possible price is our reputation.

If you are not sure of your friend's size, purchase a glove order, mail it to her and she can select the gloves she desires at her convenience.

## Gifts in Underwear Dept.

Many appropriate presents for children and ladies are being shown in our Underwear Dept.

Fancy hosiery, hose supporters, silk head scarfs, and shawls, ladies' fascinators—wool, ice wool and silk, boys' and girls' knitted toboggans, tea aprons, fancy bed room slippers, soft soled booties for infants, children's knee and panty leggings.

## Carpet Dept. Gifts.

Satisfaction is derived from comfortable surroundings in the home—from the smallest to the largest are appreciative. Let us suggest a few Christmas Presents that will give pleasure for many years to come.

Axminster rugs, Wilton velvet rugs, Smyrna rugs, washable bath rugs, Bissel's carpet sweepers, Bissel's toy sweepers for children, pillow girdles, pillow tops, drapery silks, lace curtains, Brussels curtains, Irish point curtains, Cluny curtains, Battenberg curtains, Madras curtains, Nottingham curtains, and Tapestry Portieres.

## Gifts for Men and Boys.

Extra pains have been taken to provide for the holiday wants of men and boys. A complete line of sensible presents that will give satisfaction.

Suits and overcoats, gents' house coats, gents' bath robes, gents' dressing gowns, sweaters, shirts, underwear, plain and fancy socks, gents' gloves, mufflers, handkerchiefs—silk and linen, neckwear, suspenders, gents' umbrellas, gents' and boys' canes, trunks, suit cases and bags.

The price range is so great you can buy a present at just the price you desire to pay.



## Chinaware, Glassware and Silverware Gifts

The delight of the housewife is beautiful Chinaware, Cut Glass Ware, Silverware and dainty Bric-a-brac. Nothing pleases her better. We are showing a greater variety than ever before and at prices to suit every pocket book.

Elegant cut glass. Largest assortment of White China in the city—Special Inducements to China Painters. Glassware—foreign and domestic. Dinner sets, toilet sets, game and tea sets, fish sets, berry and ice cream sets, chocolate sets, silverware—sterling and plated in sets and odd pieces for every purpose, clocks in many styles, jardinières, flower vases and holders, figures and many novelties.