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SWEET WILD APRIL

O sweet wild April came over the hills,
He skipped with the winds and he tripped
with the rills;
His raiment was all of the daffodils.

O sweet wild April came down the lea,
Dancing along with his sisters three:
Carnation, and Rose, and tall Lily.

O sweet wild April, on pastoral quill
Came piping in moonlight by hollow and hill,
In starlight at midnight, by dingle and rill.

Where sweet wild April his melody played,
Trooped cowslip, and primrose, and iris, the maid,
And silver narcissus, a star in the shade.

When sweet wild April dipped down the dale,
Pale cuckoopint brightened, and windflower frail,
And white-thorn, the wood-bride, in virginal veil.

When sweet wild April
Through deep woods pressed,
Sang cuckoo above him,
And lark on his crest,
And Philomel fluttered
Close under his breast.
Sing hi,
Sing hey,
Sing ho!

--William Force Stead



HOW TO DIVIDE WORDS PROPERLY

Divide a word according to its pronunciation, consistent with the meaning and the derivation of the word itself. Where permissible, divide on the vowel; that is usually governed by the length of the vowel and its accent. Thus, PRESENT (to give) should be divided pre-sent, while PRESENT (a gift) should be divided pres-ent.

If a word contains a single vowel before the last syllable, divide it on the vowel; thus, mechani-cal, not mechan-ical. Should the word, however, contain two vowels before the last syllable, it should be divided after the second vowel: thus, differentia-tion, not differenti-ation; in other words, a one-letter syllable must not commence a line--crea-tion, not cre-ation.

Double consonants in a word frequently perplex the writer in word division; the following, if carefully perused, will prove helpful:

In words ending in CIALLY or TIALY, these two syllables should not be separated--as, espe-cially, not especial-ly; offi-cially, not official-ly; judi-cially, not judicial-ly; par-tially, not partial-ly; substan-tially, not substantial-ly.

Where any vowel letter forms a syllable of itself, it is preferable to terminate the line with such a letter rather than use it to begin a new line--as, forma-tive, rather than form-ative; Gala-tea, not Gal-atea; cari-bou, not car-ibou; clini-cal, not clin-ical; diago-nal, not diag-onal, etc. An exception to this may be cited in words ending in able, or ably, where the a should be carried over; the syllable ble of itself should never be carried over.

While many words begin or end with a single-letter syllable, such divisions should never be used in printing or writing. Two-letter divisions should also be avoided wherever possible, especially at the ending of a word of three or more syllables; that is, it is preferable to use a two-letter division at the beginning than at the end of a word.

If two consonants pronounced separately come together, it is usually safe to divide between them. Thus, such double consonant words as con-demn, compel-ling, fret-ting, suc-cessor, bug-ger, dot-ted, man-nish, refer-ring, should be divided as indicated.

Difficulty frequently arises in the mind relating to word endings. The following, it is believed, will elucidate:

Such endings as est, ing, and ish, should invariably be carried over into the next line. Thus, bright-est (not brigh-test), say-eth (not sa-yeth), rail-ing (not rai-ling), and girl-ish (not gir-lish) are good examples to memorize.

The following correct divisions of word-endings will prove of service:

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| -ance (temper-ance) | -cle (tenta-cle) |
| -ant (itiner-ant) | -dance (abun-dance) |
| -ary (station-ary) | -dence (impu-dence) |
| -ate (vituper-ate) | -deur (gran-deur) |
| -ability (adapt-ability) | -dure (proce-dure) |
| -cal (inimi-cal) | -eer (chariot-eer) |
| -cally (radi-cally) | -eon (bludg-eon) |
| -cant (signifi-cant) | -geon (dun-geon) |
| -cate (intri-cate) | -geous (outra-geous) |
| -cence (acquies-cence) | -gion (reli-gion) |
| -cent (translu-cent) | -sure (plea-sure) |
| -ceous (crusta-ceous) | -tian (Egyp-tian) |
| -cian (mechani-cian) | -tary (seden-tary) |
| -cient (profi-cient) | -tent (consis-tent) |
| -cion (suspi-cion) | -tence (insis-tence) |
| -cism (fanati-cism) | -tance (acquain-tance) |

--Typing Tips, Aurora, Ill.

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"What you want is a stenographer who is rapid and absolutely accurate."

"Well, rapidity is all right, but as to accuracy--well, I don't want to be held down strictly to my own ideas of grammar."

--Clipped.

Receiving word that her brother was home on furlough from his station in the Aleutians, Ingrid Beaulieu hurried off to Brooklyn to spend a weekend "in the bosom of the family."

Verna Slate went home to North Carolina to spend a few days with her father. The pleasure was mutual.

Keepers who will go to Chicago for work at the Spring Council are Mary Paul, Ora Williams, Elizabeth Zeidler, Katie Farney, Hazel Shadel, Louise Surface, Carol Crabtree, Nell Hunter, Emma Howell, and Althea Lightner.

Besides which, Mary will visit her brother in Battle Creek; Louise will visit friends in Detroit and Battle Creek; Carol will report the annual meeting of the Board of Regents, April 5 and 7; Nell will report a Publishing Department convention April 3 to 7; and Emma will attend a W.C.T.U. convention April 12 and 13. If others are doing interesting things en route or before or after, they haven't told us about it, so-o-o.

Marjorie Hight must needs go back to her home "deep in the heart of Texas." Whereupon Pauline and Virginia Klady, Edna Helms, Pearl Perez, Dorothy Ford and--oh yes, Marjorie, were entertained at Grace Coyl's home Sunday evening, March 26.

We're all sorry to have Marjorie leave, but Betty Canon's regret is tempered with joy that she can move into the room at Andreassen's which Marjorie is vacating.

Dorothy Ford isn't feeling too bad about it, either, for she is accompanying Marjorie to Fort Worth--on vacation, not to stay. They will spend some time in New Orleans, and on her return trip Dorothy will visit the Paddocks at Atlanta, Georgia.

Lois Burnett is still "commuting" between Washington and New York, doing advanced work in nursing education at Teachers' College, Columbia University.

Elizabeth Zeidler was away from the office several days in late March because of the illness and death of her father. We sincerely sympathize in this time of sorrow.

Pearl Perez is our first "Minute Man" in the 1944 Ingathering campaign, with \$17.44 for one evening's work!

A bit of Florida sunshine, packed in orange skins, came to some of us a few days ago, from ex-Keeper Sarah Williams. Thanks for remembering us, Sarah!

IN THE SPRING

We told you last month that Valeda Carter was working temporarily in the Treasury Department. We didn't know, ourselves, just how temporary it was. Miss Carter doesn't work here any more. On account, she's changed her name to Johnson! It was a very quiet event, Saturday evening, March 25, at the Capitol Memorial Church, with Elder G. S. Rapp tying the nuptial knot. Valeda wore a full-length gown of white marquisette, with double corsage of white roses and gardenias, and three baby rosebuds in her hair. Captain Ralph Johnson wore the regulation uniform of Uncle Sam's Army. Our best wishes for life-long happiness to Captain and Mrs. Johnson!

Dorothy Greeley, Jewel Hatcher, and Elsie Argent heard Jascha Heifitz at Constitution Hall on Sunday, March 26.

We were happy to greet Tilda and Paul Wyatt, the weekend of March 25. Country life surely agrees with Tilda; we're envious!

Oh yes, and speaking of Captains--Irene Walters is expecting her elder son, Captain Nelson Curtis, the first week in April.

Pfc. Sterrie Wellman is also expected home early in April for a few days' change from army routine.

And oh me, what's this?! Louise Meyer reports that her dog Pal was so overcome by spring fever that she chewed her way out of two leashes for a gambol over the neighbors' lawns!

We must be in a bad way for news, but here's what was handed in by one of our inquiring reporters: Elsie Argent went to bed at nine o'clock the other evening! Well, for that matter, so did Mary Paul. It's not a bad idea occasionally.

Our "spring housecleaning" is almost finished, we hope. So long have the painters been patient with us--and we with them--that it'll hardly seem right to be able to walk through uncluttered corridors, and to find folk in the offices where they are supposed to be. It's mighty nice though, and we like it.

WE HAVE HEARD

By V-Mail from a staff member of the 47th General Hospital:

"We arrived safely after an uneventful voyage, on a navy transport. We were all treated very well. The nurses came on another boat. The weather here is everything they all said it was--hot and sticky, with plenty of rain. Things are beginning to mold already. We have excellent food, especially for out here, with some fresh fruits from Australia now and then. There is plenty of water for good showers.

"So far we are living in tents on a coconut plantation, but not for long, as a site has been selected for our hospital and construction has already started. In fact, several of the buildings are up now and as soon as there is water there we can move to that area. However, it will probably be a few months before patients will be taken. We are kept busy as some of us are in charge of details to get the materials up on the hill, and of the actual work of construction."

Chaplain Bergherm also writes, March 7, from the 47th General, "Somewhere in New Guinea":

"Regarding the afghans, ... I could hardly think of any way whereby our people could better show their goodwill and Christian love toward us than in making these afghans. ... If you could send us a hundred of these, I am sure they would be deeply appreciated, and serve a good purpose. Of course we could use more. ... We are on a plateau about 500 feet above the sea, commanding a beautiful view of the bay and surrounding country. The Sabbath services have been so well attended that we had to push out the rear wall of the chapel to make more room. Quite a number from other units meet with us, also some ten or twelve Australian boys. Each week there are fresh recruits."

And speaking of afghans--T. Rose and Mary have finished the rainbow one on which they've been working for two months, and it had its "world premiere" at LaVerne's home Thursday evening, at the March meeting of the Sew and So Circle. Our second afghan, for which some fifteen to twenty Keepers are weaving the squares faster than T. Rose can join them together, is of five shades of red, and will really be something to catch the eye of any convalescent doughboy in New Guinea who is lucky enough to "draw" it.



KEYS TO THE OFFICE

BUREAU OF HOME MISSIONS

Strange as it may seem, North America is one of the largest and most interesting foreign mission lands in the world. During the last century forty million people from almost every country under the sun found their way to our hospitable shores. According to the 1940 census, twenty million still prefer their mother tongue when they read the Bible and pray.

Many years ago Ellen G. White wrote that millions of foreigners were coming to America in the providence of God, and that we must bring them the truth for this time. For this purpose the Bureau of Home Missions was organized, and its work has been greatly blessed of God. There are some 250 churches with a membership of about 15,000, who during 1943 contributed nearly one million dollars to "the cause."

This coming summer we shall conduct two Russian, one Ukrainian, three Spanish, and two Indian camp-meetings in the United States.

Much of our time is required in providing literature in more than 25 languages—no small task. Besides books and tracts, we print periodicals in German, Swedish, Danish-Norwegian, French, Italian, Ukrainian, and Icelandic. Letters in many languages come to our department, with many questions to be answered.

Then young men and young women must be found and trained for the ministry and Bible Work among the different language groups.

A Chinaman on a train was asked from what part of China he came. "I was born in Chicago," he answered. "I suppose your parents came from China," continued his questioner. "No, my father was born in San Francisco and my mother was born in New York City." And the gentleman said, "You can never tell about these foreigners." Whereupon the Chinaman replied, "And you, sir, I take it, are an American." "Yes, I am an American." "And may I ask where you were born?" "Why, in good old Ireland!"

And, with the Sioux Indian, we ask, "Who is an American and who is a foreigner?"

—Mrs. Esther Halswick

WE WANT YOU TO KNOW ---

Emma Howell scarcely needs an introduction to the General Conference, being really one of "The Old Guard." But to those Keepers who have come in since Emma went west two and a half years ago--where she has worked in the Voice of Prophecy,--we say that she is a native of Iowa, educated at Oak Park Academy and Emmanuel Missionary College; worked in the M. V. Department here from 1918 to 1936 (save three years' "school leave"), then successively in Education, Secretarial, Seminary, and Ministerial. Now that she's back she is taking up work in the Temperance Society where Marion Nyman left off a few weeks ago to work for Elder Andreasen down at the Seminary. Emma says her current enthusiasm is Nature, Nature, NATURE! Welcome home!

Gladys Griffin was born on Cliff Island, Portland, Maine. She took both academic and college work at Atlantic Union College, then went to Loma Linda, California, where she was graduated from the dietetics course. For several years she has been doing war research work at Carnegie Institution here in Washington, before coming to the Medical Department as secretary to Doctor Walton. Welcome to our "big happy family," Gee Gee!

March birthdays were variously celebrated by Pauline Klady, Jewel Hatcher, Grace Coyl, Mable Hinkhouse, T. Rose Curtis, Zippie Franklin, Edith Geymet, Pearl Perez. Any others?

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