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Epistolary Courtships. The courtesies of letter-writing in the various countries of Europe differ almost as much as their languages.

It was the first said that the style of a man. He might have added that the style proclaimed the nation.

For perhaps of all the nations of Europe, the English are the stiffest and most formal in their correspondence, more especially with those to whom they are personally unknown, and who are their inferiors in rank or social position.

When a gentleman or lady, when absent from home, has occasion to write a letter of introduction to a male female servant, the style is studiously dry and laconic as a telegram; and contains no word of compliment or courtesy.

When Jones writes to Brown, whom he has never seen, he addresses him as "Sir," and subscribes himself "Your obedient humble servant."

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beloved one. It is my intention in a short time to spoil your beauty either by sword or pistol.

The choice shall be left to you, as both weapons are to me quite indifferent. Hoping soon to have the pleasure of a cherished answer, I declare myself to be, honorable sir,

Your most devotedly, CARLAVERO.

The stately Spaniard, in addressing a letter of business to a commercial firm, instead of the "Sir" or "gentleman" of the English, or the "Monsieur" of the French, writes "My senior mio" or "My seniors aucteros," or "My very sir" or "Our very sir," and subscribes themselves "Your very attentive," or "Your very obedient servants."

It seems that there is in this busy age the letter writers of all the world would do well to amend their style of address, and refer to the simple phraseology employed by the ancient Roman.

Truly courteous was the Roman method. If Lucius Verus wished to write to Scipio Africanus, he did not begin, "My dear Scipio," and end with "Yours very truly," but went straight to the point, and said, "Lucius Verus to Scipio Africanus, greeting." After which, without further palaver, he would proceed to business. Would it not be a saving of time if we were to imitate this excellent old fashion? And why should not Smith minimize trouble by addressing Brown after the classical method: "Smith to Brown, greeting. Send me ten tons of your best coal—lowest price. I will give you my own, greeting." Will you give me next Thursday at the Megathorium, six precisely? The one word "greeting" includes all that is necessary in the way either of friendship or politeness, and would answer every purpose of the ordinary intercourse of life. But it would never do for love-letters. These always did, and always will, stand apart as a literature by themselves, governed by their own laws, by their own impulses. Had a Roman lover simply sent a "greeting" to his mistress in Asia, she would have been past a life to read, which in all probability she was not, would have had but scant cause to regret her coldness. So I except the love-letters.

Mr. C. H. SPRIGDEN has said and done a new thing in this time in furtherance of what might be termed as "jocular religion and comic salvation." But at the late anniversary of the Lancaster Missionary Society, Easter Hall, he outdid himself. Speaking of prayer, he said, "Oh for more prayer! I had one of my prayers to power the other day in Italy. In the hotels there, there are little ivory buttons in the wall upon which you put your finger. They communicate with the angels, and which rang the bells down-stairs. A friend came in to take tea with us, and I put my finger on the button, but no body came. I did it again; still no body came. 'Now' said my friend, 'I will send you a letter to keep you on the button. If you only just put it on, it rings the bell; but if you keep it on it rings on it, and keeps ringing down stairs.' Well, I did so; but even then the waiter did not come. At length my friend said, 'We have a couple of bell-ropes which will go to one, and your friend can go into the office; let us ring all three bells, and then we shall hear some one at the door. So we put our fingers on the three buttons, and kept them there, and I heard a noise, and the waiter came. They thought the whole house was out of the ring. We simply explained that as we had no bell-ropes, we had to use the buttons. We thought we would ring all three, and found it a capital laugh; but if they would kindly let us have some of the wires, we would be glad to have them. They thought the whole house was out of the ring. We simply explained that as we had no bell-ropes, we had to use the buttons. We thought we would ring all three, and found it a capital laugh; but if they would kindly let us have some of the wires, we would be glad to have them. They thought the whole house was out of the ring. We simply explained that as we had no bell-ropes, we had to use the buttons. 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