

On these occasions an elaborate table is not considered in refined taste. The bride wears a reception toilet, and the groom is in full evening dress. After an informal wedding, and to be sent to distant friends, cards are prepared in the following form and sent by post:

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES CHAPMAN  
*Announce the Marriage of their Daughter,*

MISS JENNIE LOUISA,

*and*

MR. JOHN KING LOOMIS,

*Thursday, October 11th, 1893.*

No. — Chestnut St.

In response to this a note of congratulation is usually sent to the parents of the bride, and also to the bridal pair, if the intimacy of the parties warrants it.

A young lady may, if she wishes to attend a party, ball or concert or other place where an escort is required, and is not provided with a suitable one, write to her affianced husband, or, if she is not engaged, to some friend of the other sex with whom she is on sufficiently intimate terms, and request him to accompany her.

If any expense is to be incurred in thus attending her, she should purchase the admission cards and enclose them in her note to him. Such a note may read as follows:

“Miss Jennie James presents her compliments to Mr. James Wilson and requests him to do her the favor of escorting her to the Grand Opera on Thursday evening, the 16th, if he has not a previous engagement. Enclosed please find tickets of admission.”