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**The following have been sent to us as extracts from the letter of friend:**

**Jersey Habits, &c.**

Dear C. — Some little time ago you asked me to describe Jersey and its inhabitants. Well, as far as Jersey goes, if you look in the *Encyclopædia* or any book of that sort you will get much better account of it than I can give. However, I will be able to tell you something about the manners, &c., there. Women decidedly predominate, there being at least ten women to one man, and a natural consequence there is an immense deal scandal there. A few days ago I was at a party; the hostess had a very pretty daughter, and I had rather a jolly night. The next day I went to pay my respects, and immediately it was rumored that I was going to be married to her. Rather pleasant that. They give thirteen pence for a shilling here, and to new comers that is rather puzzling. I was witness of a very amusing incident the other day. A Paddy came into the door of a hotel and asked for a noggin of whiskey. It was handed him by a very pretty girl, and he put down a shilling. To his great astonishment and delight twelve pence was handed in change. He looked at it and the girl, and asked if that was right. The girl said perfectly so, and he turned to a comrade and said "Arrah, jewel, sure this is beautiful place — they give whiskey for nothing;" and went away in great delight. He was very much astonished, however, when he heard that they gave thirteen pence for shilling, and that they were not so liberal in other matters.