PARKER, FRANCES S.

B. Brunswick, Maine, 1878.
Dear Mr. Stubble,
I have been advised to send you a circular of my recently published book "Mark Quietly."
I was born and reared in the Brunswick, Me. schools. Later I taught there.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
January 30, 1956

Miss Frances S. Parker
30 Bellvue
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Parker:

Last fall we had a note from a Frances S. Parker, written on stationery from the writing room of The First National Bank of Boston, which indicated that we were to receive a circular of the recently published book WALK QUIETLY.

It has not come to us, so we should like to get in touch with the Miss Parker who wrote. Is it possible that you are she? If you are, won't you send us one of the circulars. We'd like to know more about the book.

Sincerely yours

mjm

In Charge of
Maine Author Collection
Ormond Hotel
Ormond Beach Fla.

Dear Miss Jacob,

Your letter has just reached me, and I hasten to reply.

My home address is 50 Bellevue St. West Roxbury, Mass., but I am vacationing at the above address.


I have sold around 650 copies and am still anxious to get it in the classroom.

Boston last spring accepted it to be placed on their supplementary list if books available for all teachers from Grades I to VI.

Sincerely yours,

Francis J. Parker
February 9, 1956

Miss Frances S. Parker
Ormond Hotel
Ormond Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Parker:

Thank you for sending the announcement of WALK QUIETLY. It sounds interesting and appealing, and we anticipate seeing a copy soon. It is presumably available through regular book dealers, and we shall place our order in the usual way.

We think WALK QUIETLY may not have been widely announced and advertised. Had we known of it earlier, we would have included it in the Maine in Print list which appears in the quarterly Bulletin of the Maine Library Association. The next issue will be out in May, and we shall certainly see that your book is noted then.

It is always a pleasure to find a new Maine author. Perhaps, having had one career as a teacher, you will now develop another as a writer. You will be interested to know that for some years we have watched with pride the growth of a permanent exhibit of writings of Maine people, known as the Maine Author Collection. It is here in the library, available for study and browsing, but not for loan. The books (some two thousand) are nearly all inscribed presentation copies, the inscriptions contributing humor, originality, insights into the background of the writer, sometimes even artistic appeal.
Miss Frances S. Parker
February 9, 1956
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We also gather all available material about our authors -- biographical and critical -- and thus maintain as complete a file of Maine Authors as possible.

It is our hope that you may want to inscribe a copy of WALK QUIETLY for the collection. We should be delighted to welcome it to the exhibit. You have our very good wishes for the success of this book, and for others which we hope you will want to write.

Sincerely yours

hmj
In Charge of
Maine Author Collection
30 Bellevue St.
West Ryburn, Mass.
April 14, 1956

Dear Mrs. Jacob,

Now that I have returned from Florida, I am forwarding you a copy of "Walk Quietly," very neatly autographed.

Many thanks for your interesting letter.

Since I am seventy-eight years old, I doubt if I shall ever attempt the writing of a second book.

Sincerely yours,

Frazer S. Parker
April 21, 1956

Miss Frances S. Parker
30 Bellevue Street
West Roxbury, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Parker:

Thank you very much for the inscribed copy of your delightful book WALK QUIETLY. We add it to the Maine Author Collection with appreciation of your interest and generosity.

It may be that your ambition for further books is not keen, but with the rich and interesting life you have led, there must be material for reminiscences. We can hope, anyway!

Sincerely yours,

hmj

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