

Dorothy Dix

The First Duty of Unhappily Married Wives is to Their Children—Mothers Have Many Sacrifices to Make and Among Luxuries That They Should Deny Themselves is That of Divorce. Says Dorothy Dix.

A WIFE, very much in love with her husband and totally unsuspecting of him, has accidentally discovered that while he was absent on a business matter in a distant city he became entangled in a peculiarly indiscreet affair with an odious woman.



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OUTSIDE of this, he is a model husband and father. He is devoted to his wife, kind, generous and considerate to her, a good provider and father who adores his four children and is worshipped by them.

THE wife, however, finds it impossible to forgive her husband's fault. She has brooded over it until it has wrecked her health and until the one idea of being revenged upon him has become a monomania with her.

She writes me a letter in which she sets forth the tragedy that I have briefly outlined here and asks me if I do not think that she will be justified in ruining her husband, both professionally and socially, by publishing the story of his wrong-doing to the world.

Perhaps, in strict justice, under the hard law that demands an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, she would have the right to ruin her husband's life as he has ruined hers, to break his heart as he has broken hers.

BUT this woman forgets, as many other women in the same hard circumstances also forget, that when a man and woman marry and have children, they have no right to consider solely themselves. There is something far more important than their own happiness or their own well-being to take into account. It is the good of their children.

THOSE who bring children into the world have given hostages to fortune and, to my way of thinking, they are bound morally to do everything, to endure everything, to suffer everything that makes for the welfare of these helpless souls on whom they have thrust life.

PERSONALLY, I am not opposed to divorce when a couple have no children and they find it impossible to get along in peace together. I think they are a thousand times better off to separate and go their different ways. But when there are children in the family, the case is completely altered. Then divorce becomes a crime unless it is absolutely certain that the children will be contaminated by the association of an unworthy father or mother.

IT is a terrible thing to break up a home and to deliberately make children half-orphans. It does them the deadliest wrong that can be done them on earth, for no man, no matter how hard he tries, can take a mother's place to children, nor can any mother, however devoted, supply a father's loss to them. It takes both parents in the atmosphere of a home to properly rear boys and girls and give them the right start and chance in life that is their due.

SO, FOR the children's sake, husbands and wives should be unselfish enough to decide a truce and make the best of a bad bargain and keep the home together. At least until the boys and girls are grown.

THERE is also a practical side of the question, and any woman whose husband is a liberal provider should think a long time before she deprives her children of this support and the advantages which their father can give them. A woman's family may sympathize with her ever so deeply in her marital wrongs, but she will find out that they will not accept with very good grace the burden of her support when she divorces her husband and comes back home to live.

AS TO the wife revenging herself upon her husband by publishing his shame to the world, she forgets that she cannot disgrace him without disgracing her innocent children. His name is their name, and every shame upon it reflects upon them just as much as it does upon him. So long as they live her boys will bear that name, and if there is any stigma attached to it it will be a handicap every time they attempt to go into business or aspire to any position of honor or influence.

EVERYWHERE her daughters go people will whisper the secret that she made public and people will glare at them with that pitying contempt that cuts a sensitive soul to the quick.

Can any revenge be worth such a price? Could children ever forgive a mother who had brought this shame upon them for the sake of getting even with a man who has wronged her?

THIS view of the divorce question is not intended to condone men's infidelity, but to urge women who are unhappily married and who have children to remember that their first duty is to their children. Mothers have many sacrifices to make and among the luxuries that they should deny themselves is that of divorce.

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LIPSTICKS AND CHAPPED LIPS

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—Martha Ostrom was approached recently by a woman of middle-age who noticed the young novelist using a lipstick. "You tell me whether that is harmful?" the woman inquired. Miss Ostrom replied that on the contrary she had found it a protection against chapped lips. "I believe I'll get some," the woman said. "What kind do you use?" Miss Ostrom could not remember

whose product she used, and therefore was unable to join the ranks of endorsers. However, she broke off a portion of the cosmetic and gave it to the stranger.

LYONS HONORS WOMAN

LYONS, France.—Miss Suzanne Villard, who has been elected professor of English and American literature at the University of Lyons, is the only woman in France to hold such a post. She is known as an authority on the etymology of the English language.

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BEHIND THE SCREEN



Ken Maynard, real plainsman, trick rider and college man.

See-Sawing On Broadway

UNCLE SAM has gone into the speakeasy business on Broadway on an elaborate scale, it would seem. Bootleggers, who considered themselves rather wise, awakened the other morning to discover that one of the busiest little blind pigs on 44th street had been operated all the time by the government.

Just what other speakeasies in the white lights belt are operated by "under cover" men is being the bootleggers a bit of worry.

By running a bar Uncle Sam is able to find out who the rum runners are and big bootleg men are, buy booze from them and get the goods.

AN AMUSING story is told of a rum runner who wanted to "under" a prohibition agent. The briber feared to meet the agent in a public place for fear of a "plant."

Finally he agreed upon a speakeasy, and the agent suggested the government bar on 44th street. The bootlegger readily consented and, thus, his entire bribe conversation was recorded on dictaphones. He started a couple of years' sentence the other day.

TO CELEBRATE the "9-o'clock-in-the-morning" curfew law for night clubs which became effective on New Year's eve, one popular resort held a funeral.

A hearse with six white horses drew up before the door in the early morning hours. The entire throng congregated in the cabaret became a procession of mourners and services were held over the corpse of all-night dancing.

THE best tale we have heard in a month concerning Manhattan and its "Able Irish Rose" population has to do with an Irishman who, it was discovered the other day, had for years been operating a kosher butcher shop.

A great deal of fuss resulted and the Irishman admitted his operation, pointing out that a kosher butcher was employed and everything operated according to the orthodox rulings.

"Besides," he added at the end of his defence, "look at all the Jewish crucifixes, and you don't hear me holler, do you?"

GILBERT SWAN.

The Rhyming Optimist

Life leads, amid its changeable, drowsy ways, sometimes to paths of unalloyed delight, and grants from out the motley of its days sometimes an hour that is wholly bright. On such a path how swiftly we forget the heights of pain, the valleys of despair! In such an hour how soon we lose regret for all the hygienic times less sweet, less fair! Who knows but what long yearning makes us see with clearer eyes the beauty of our goal which, once attained, gains light and majesty in contrast with past shadows on the soul? Life's joy or grief is not summed up by days, but by which mood lives longest in our lives; it may be seldom we have gone glad ways, yet through dark years surpassing joy survives.

Little Joe

AT CHRISTMAS TIME THE PRESENT IS SOMETHING YOU PAY FOR IN THE FUTURE—



CHARGE! YESSIE!

FITTED BODICES
Dresses for juniors have the same closely fitted bodices and full skirts that older women affect.

MENUS For the Family

MENU HINT
Have you fallen into a rut in your menus and serve the same things over and over? No matter how well cooked and appetizing they are one loses one's appetite for the same old thing on the menu. Try a few new recipes and you will find the labor of cooking the meals lightened by a new interest.

TODAY'S RECIPES
Apple Delight—One-half pint of whipping cream, one cup sweetened applesauce, one teaspoon prepared horseradish.
Whip the cream, add applesauce and horseradish. Keep cool, serve in paper cups on plate with roast duck. Cranberry jelly on top improves both looks and flavor.

Vegetable Pures—One cup diced carrots, one-half cup minced onions, eight Irish potatoes, two tablespoons butter or substitute, salt to taste.
Cook vegetables together until tender and nearly dry, add seasonings and mash. Serve hot as mashed potatoes.

FEW SHINGLES IN PORTUGAL
LISBON, Jan. 11.—Shingled hair is not generally popular in Portugal. This style of hairdressing has caught on only in the highest classes and the new rich, with a small digression into the upper middle classes. The worker and the peasant will have none of it. This is explained as it is a land where a woman's hair is really a crown of glory. In the northern provinces especially is this true, the care of her magnificent tresses being one of the chief preoccupations of the maiden.

Fashion Fancies.

A SMART POCKET TREATMENT MARKS THIS TWEED SPORTS COAT.



The return of belted coats offers a refreshing variation from the straight models of other seasons. In the coat above, appropriate for general sports wear, the addition of a narrow blue suede belt is the signal for the use of suede in a geometrical design on the rather large pocket. The material is tweed in gray and dark blue, with trimmer fur for the collar and cuffs.

This coat might also be copied in white basket weave material with black suede appliques for resort wear.

STRIPED TWEEDS

Sport dresses of striped tweeds have a quaint natural linen Dutch collar, and huge Windsor ties.

Flapper Fanny Says



There is sometimes reason to throw a fit over not getting one.

A Thought

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear.—1 John 4:18.

LOVE can sun the ruins of night—Schiller.

A necktie of woven silk or metal cloth sometimes has a large stiff bow of tulle just behind the right ear.

Causes of Asthma

ASTHMA is usually misused by the public to indicate any form of shortness of breath.

Under the same circumstances, a physician uses the term "dyspnea" for such cases, since shortness of breath may result not only from the disease asthma, but also from a variety of conditions, including heart disease and other disturbances of the lungs.

The difficulty of breathing in asthma is due to the fact that the muscles of the smaller tubes leading into the lung contract suddenly and the patient is unable to breathe in or breathe out enough air to provide him with the oxygen that is needed for activity.

SENSITIZATION

Nowadays the condition called asthma is applied to a sensitivity of the body to certain chemical substances belonging to the class of proteins. This sensitization sometimes takes place in early childhood. Indeed, it may be associated with conditions at birth.

The substances to which the child may be sensitive include certain foods, such as animal material as the dandruff of horses or cats, or perhaps feathers, the pollen of plants or bacteria. Physicians determine by a skin test the type of substance to which the person may be sensitive. In this

testing, a number of small scratches about one-eighth of an inch in length are made on the surface of the forearm.

On each of these is placed an extract of the pollen substance to which the person may be sensitive. Some of the scratches are covered merely with water or salt solution. At the end of a half hour the material is washed off and the reaction of the skin is noted, the cuts in which the protein has been placed being compared with those which were merely covered with salt or salt water.

AVOIDING CAUSES

When the person is found to be sensitive to certain foods or to certain substance, he will, of course, avoid those substances.

In addition, it is sometimes possible to desensitize the person by inoculating with gradually increasing doses of the protein substance that is concerned.

It is possible, of course, to afford such patients considerable relief by the use of sedative drugs and by other symptomatic treatment which any competent physician may advise.

ABANDON WOMEN'S FOOT-BALL

LONDON, Jan. 11.—Authorities in Glamorganshire have caused the abandonment of all women's football games, following the death of Miss C. V. Richards who was injured while playing. The move has met with a chorus of approval from leading lights in the athletic world.

Major Marchant of the Women's Amateur Athletic Association expressed the hope that "the day is not far distant when women's football will be unknown in this country. Our association confines its attention to track and field events."

One of the best known women's football clubs, called "Dick Kerr's" has already been disbanded.

THE EGG-BEATER.

Never let the egg-beater soak in water after you have finished using it. Wash it at once and set it to dry. The water will draw the oil from the gears and make the beater useless.

WASHING PLANTS.

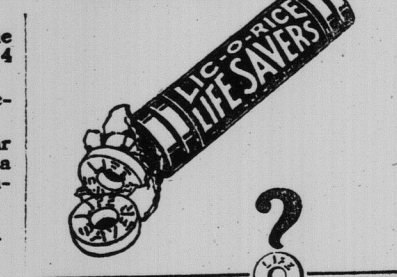
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