SOCIETIES and THE HOME For more than 100 years the Chinese people have drunk no milk because a Chinese Empress, who thought it a mean trick to deprive calves of their nourishment, issued an edict against drinking milk.

Think"
Is No Excuse

Dorothy Dix

Condemns Criminal Carelessness

The Best Intentions in the World Won't Keep You From Hurting Those You Love Most-Unless You Think Before You Act or Speak.

Five boys who rocked a boat and overturned it, thereby drowning two ther boys who couldn't swim, have been indicted for involuntary man-slaughter.



And here's hoping that they willbe convicted and get a good stiffsentence in prison as a just punishment for their criminal carelessness, and as a warning to the multitudes of people who consider that they excuse all their sins of omission, and commission, by saying that they "didn't think."

"I didn't think!" "I didn't think!" It is the justification of an idiot, yet we are forced to accept it every day from intelligent individuals as an' explanation of why they failed in the common courtesies and decencies of life, or for their having done things so cruel that they might have been inspired by malice itself.

After all, the motive mat-

ter's little. It is the deed that counts. The victim of at him that he "didn't think" was loaded is just as dead as if he

had been intentionally murdered. It doesn't console the wife or mother who weeps above the coffin of her husband, or only son, to know that he was slain through carelessness and not by design.

The office boy who unthinkingly throws a lighted cigarette in a wastepaper basket can start just as big a fire, and wreck a factory just as completely as the most accomplished arsonist could. It doesn't save the nanufacturer from loss and, perhaps, bankruptcy to know that when the office boy flung away his half-smoked cigarette he was thinking about the baseball score and nothing else, and had not the faintest desire to ruin

Very few of us have enemies who openly revile us, and seek to do us harm. Most of us go through life without anybody ever concocting any deep, dark, sinister plot against us. But none of us escape being foiled in our ambitions and checkmated in our plans, and hurt, and wounded in a thousand ways that destroy our peace and happiness

And nine times out of ten, the unconscious villain who upsets our applecart is some member of our own family, or some friend, some one who loves us and who would not willingly do us an evil turn, but who, through criminal carelessness, does us more harm minute than our deadliest foe could do in a week.

An irate father, impatient with the follies of youth, proclaims to all who will listen to him that John is a young fool and a loafer and waster. and the boy has to go away from home to get a start because his father has prejudiced the community against him. A garrulous wife, who tells that her husband's business is in a bad shape, and that he doesn't know where he is going to get the money to meet his obligations, kills a man's credit at the bank and throws him into bankruptcy.

A babbling mother complains that Janie was out till all hours of the night; that she will run with that fast crowd, and that she doesn't know what the world's coming to-and Janie's reputation is hopelessly smirched. An indiscreet friend happens to find out about some property you are thinking of buying and casually mentions the fact—and the deal on which you stood to make a neat little turnover goes blooey.

None of these people set out with malice aforethought to do a deadly injury to anyone, least of all to their families. Nothing was further from the father's thoughts than to kill his son's prospects. The wife would have been horrified at the mere suggestion that she was ruining her husband. The mother would have died sooner than blacken her daughter's name. Nothing would have bribed the friend to have betrayed your business secret, yet they all committed these crimes through want of thought. They never stopped to consider the consequences of what they said, and the results were just the same as if they had been inspired by malignity. And it's the results that matter.

enjoy deliberately torturing a fellow creature, but there are legions of people who could qualify as chief inquisitor through the criminal carelessness of what they say. These are they who tell a sick person how their ple in the world who are cruel enough to grandmother died of the same disease he has, after she had spent a fortune going to the best physicians. They imitate the stumbling gait of cripples in the presence of a lame man. They have an unceasing fund of humorous inecdotes about old maids' efforts to capture a husband that they tell to spinsters, and they delight to tease the wife of a philanderer about her jusband's affairs with other women

Let anybody have a skeleton within their closet and such a one is dead sure to rattle its bones, not on purpose but simply because he "doesn't think" how his words open a closed door on a bitter memory, or tear apart an old wound, or stab anew a pride that always bleeds.

And if we are criminally careless in doing the things we should not do, we are equally guilty th not doing the things we should do. The letters we meant to write; the visits we meant to pay to the old and lonely; the word of praise we meant to say; the appreciation we meant to voice, and that we never do.

doctor told me once that the most heartrending scene he ever wit-A doctor told me once that the most heartrending scene he ever witnessed was at the deathbed of a woman who had literally perished of heart hunger. Her husband was a hard, cold, stern man who had never said one affectionate word to her in the whole of their married life. But when he knew that his wife was dying, on bended knee he sobbed out to her the devotion and admiration he had always felt for her.

"Why did you not tell me this before?" asked the wife. "I could have

ved and been so happy if I had only known that you cared for me." "I never thought," said the man.
"It is too late now," the woman replied, and turned her face to the wall

An old colored woman I once knew used to punish her children severely whenever they made the excuse that they didn't think. "Didn't think, didn't think!" she would exclaim. "What did God give you a thinker for if you don't use it?" So say we all.

God help us to use our thinker and not be guilty of criminal care-DOROTHY DIX. Copyright, 1923, by Public Ledger Company.

CLUB NEWS

RYERSON M. C. Inspector Greer will address the eeting of the Ryerson Mothers' lub being held Tuesday next. This neeting is being held a week previous to the regular day. Further plans for the sale of home-cooking to be neld Friday, October 26, will be made. CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE.

At a meeting of the Catholic Wo-



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MADE IN CANADA

men's League Sunday afternoor plans were made for a big euchre party to be held at the end of the month in the Catholic Club rooms, the object being to raise funds for the social service work of the league. The chief feature of yesterday afternoon's meeting was Mrs. B. C. Mc-Cann's report of the Halifax convention, in which she referred to special immigration and social service work of the society. At the next meeting of the league, Rev. Father Forristal will give an address on the Hon.

VICTORIA MOTHERS' CLUB. A splendid program has been arranged for the opening meeting of the Victoria Mothers' Club being held tomorrow evening. Music will be provided by Dr. Smith's orchestra and Scotch dancing will also be a delightful number of the program. During the evening a number of mothers will speak. Mrs. H. B. White will preside over the meeting.

RED CROSS SOCIETY.

A nursing manual for use in the province will be one of the important matters discussed at the regular emi-annual meeting of the Ontario Red Cross Society, which is being held in Toronto on Oct. 22. The lasuing of such a manual would be with a view to teaching nursing in the home, and a big move forward in the Red Cross peace time pro-gram for promoting health in the province. Mrs. Ronald Harris goes.

Distinguished English Baritone

Also Comes to London, November 5. The Women's Music Club will open

the season with an artists' concert to be held in St. Andrew's Hall on the evening of November 5, when the artists of the occasion will be Boris Hambourg, cellist, of Toronto, and Murray Davey, a new English bari-Mr. Harbourg is already well-

known to London music lovers, and his coming will be received with enthusiasm by everyone who has heard him before. An equally fine treat is in store from Mr. Davey, who recently gave his opening recital in Toronto. Mrs. C. R. Somerville, the president of the London club, heard him there, and sends back glowing reports of his concert work.

The first regular recital of the club will not be held until the evening of will not be held until the evening of November 26, when the artists will be Miss Marion Beck and Miss Helen

November 26, when the artists will be Miss Marion Beck and Miss Helen Little. Already the members are anticipating with delight another appearance of these talented London musicians. This meeting and the following meetings will be held at the central collegiate institute instead of at the Normal school as investigation. at the Normal school, as in previous years. The executive, meeting recently, decided that the club should meet but once a month, and that on the third Monday evening.

BACK TO COPPER-TOED SHOES. After resting for a generation or two in innocuous desuetude the virtues of the copper-toed shoes for children are again being recognized and they have been recently made in great quantities and introduced into shoe stores all con the stores.

great quantities and introduced into shoe stores all over the country, especially in the smaller towns and rural communities. The origin of the coppet-toed shoe is as follows:

George, A. Mitchell was a poor farmer residing in the village of Turner Me., 60 years ago. His children kicked the toes out of their shoes faster than he could afford to buy new ones. It occurred to him to cut out pieces from a sheet of copper that happened to be handy and fasten them over the toes. Thus fortified, one pair of shoes, he found, would last three times the ordinary length of time. He patented the idea, making his his his leist town and interest the control of the country length of time. of time. He patented the idea, making his claim cover shoe-tips of silver or other metals (with preference, however, for copper), and it brought him more money than a lifetime of farm work could have yielded.

TEA FROM PENNSYLVANIA. A/crop of tea is grown in the Blue Mountains of Pennsylvania which almost entirely supplants the Oriental article in that vicinity.



DAINTY FALL SUIT.

All through the season one has need of a suit in one's wardrobe. Dull days, cool days, days of travel,

Dull days, cool days, days of travel, all call for a tailored suit and smart blouse. A top coat may also be carried, but the suit is the necessity, a change of blouse is all that is necessary to make a fresh-looking costume after shopping or at the end of a journey.

This jaunty suit is made of blue twill with medium length skirt and hip length jacket. The skirt is perfectly plain, but the jacket is trimmed with black braid and fastens with four buttons set close together.

A jaunty little sports hat of felt with a cockade set close to the crown on each side gives just the right touch.

Gloves are always as important.

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Gloves are always an important accessory. The latest designs button at one side or are tied around the wrist with tasseled thongs of kid. Some turn back sharply over the wrists, showing a lining of contrasting kid. Sometimes a gauntlet consisting of three or four frills of kid with loops of the same falling over the wrist is worn. Then again the usual stitching on the back of the glove is replaced by an oval, heart shaped or triangular design or the wearer's monogram. a the giove is replaced by an ovel.

heart shaped or triangular design or the wearer's monogram.

Possibly it is old-fashioned, but nevertheless true that one hallmark of a lady is impeccable shoes, gloves and handkerchiefs. It is well to bear this in mind.

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Form Junior Red Cross At Simcoe Street School

S. B. McCready, Provincial Head, Delighted With Work Carried On in London.

London flow has an official branch of the Junior Red Cross, Society organized at the Simcoe street school but two weeks ago. The members of this new and interesting organization are the pupils belonging to Miss Buckle's class and are known as the Simcoe Sentinals. Miss Buckle's class was working along the same line last year under the name of Health Club, but there was no affiliation with the Provincial Junior Red Cross Society.

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Tom Foulkes is president and Milton Totts secretary of this interesting little body of children.

They were visited last Friday by S. B. McCready of Toronto, who is in charge of the Junior Red Cross for the province, and was at one time a teacher in the London Collegiate Institute. Mr. McCready was delighted with the new branch, as well as with the splendid contributions of all the London school children towards the children's Japanese relief fund. He says that by contributing to this fund the children are Mr. McCready.

but that we want to educate the children along the line of humanitarian giving, even if, it is only a cent the child gives.

The Junior Red Cross branch is really a form of teaching children health hygiene in the schools, and as such is recognized by the department of laying down for the children the laws of health, merely directs the children so that they lay down these laws for themselves. It is a method of placing the responsibility on the child and has been found to work out very satisfactorily. It is also a splendid training fro citizenship, says

Mr. McCready.

Social and Personal

Miss Harris, Eldon House, is visiting Mrs. Lyons Biggar in Detroit.

Miss Edna Durkin has returned home after spending three weeks in Seattle and the Canadian west. Mr. and Mrs. John A. Nash are in New York attending the fall jewel-ry show and taking in the world's

Mr. and Mrs. George Blanchard of Toronto spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. Blanchard, Stanley

Mrs. Campbell of South Bend, Indiana, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fred Beltz and Mr. Beltz, Talbot

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Jordan are arranging a frolic to be held at the Institute of Musical Art on Saturday Mrs. Walter McWilliams, of Guelph s visiting her son, Mr. W. A. Mc-Williams, and Mrs. Williams, 96

Mr. Bert Mitchell of Waterloo spent the week-end in London with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mitchell, Mill street.

Miss Mary Shuttleworth of Hamila guest with her uncle and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Shuttleworth, Princess avenue. Miss Kingsmill, Ardagh apartments, has returned home after spending the past fortnight in De-roit, visiting her niece.

Dr. W. K. Pendergast of Toronto was in town Sunday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Penlergast, Wortley road.

Miss Mary Whitaker of King street has returned to town last night from Peterboro and Toronto, where she has been visiting friends. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Jordan were week-end guests with Mr. and Mrs. George McCormick at their summer home Oakay, near Corunna.

Mrs. Bernard Mills, of Odessa, returned home last week after visiting her sister, Mrs. F. M. Letteney, Maitland street, for the past two

Mrs. Martin McCreery of Cran-brook, B. C., is expected in town this week and will be the guest of her sis-ter, Mrs. R. T. Brymner, William

Mrs. Adam Foster Smith, formerly Miss W. Pulford of Toronto, has re-turned home after spending a few days with Mrs. A. Anderson, Crom-

well street.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank
Patrick, Wharncliffe road, was the
scene of a jolly party recently given
in honor of the birthday of their
son, Donald.

Mrs. John Keenan, accompanied by her son, Mr. Jack Reenan of Owen Sound, were visitors in the city yes-terday, motoring from Windsor to

Mr. and Mrs. Flurschutz 510 Talbot street, have returned home after spending three weeks in Stamford, Conn., guests with Mr. Graves and Mr. Walker, formerly of London.

Gen. W. B. King is expected home today from England. He will be accompanied by his wife, Hon. Mrs. Shuttleworth King and children, who have spent the summer in England.

Mrs. W. H. Braddon is lending bear Mrs. W. H. Braddon is lending her home in King street this week for a musicale, being given in aid of the bazaar which the women of Dundas Center Church are giving, the latter part of November.

Mrs. S. Hambly, of Chicago, for-merly of Dorchester, who has been spending the summer with her sis-ter, Mrs. A. Lewis, and nephew, Rev. W. E. A. Lewis, of Mount Clemens, Mich., left last week for her, home in Chicago.

Mrs. C. B. Chapman is lending her home in Elmwood avenue tomorrow afternoon for a shower and musicale being given by the committee in charge of the Baby Booth of Trinity Chapter, O. E. S. bazaar, being held later in the fall.

Miss Vera Blanchard of this city M. Killoran, and Mr. and Mrs. Mcis visiting friends in Detroit.

Miss Harris, Eldon House, is visitMrs. Lyons Biggar in Detroit.

Mrs. William Pendergast, 375 Wortley road.

Mrs. C. R. Somerville and Miss. Janet Wilson are visiting friends in Toronto,

Miss Hazel Ferguson spent the week-end in Ridgetown, visiting her parents.

Miss Crispin of Woodstock spent the week-end with Mrs John Watson, Bathurst street.

Mrs. C. R. Somerville and Miss. Janet Wilson are visiting friends in Toronto.

Mrs. Harold White entertained at a stag dinner party on Saturday evening in honor of his brother, Mr. Ted White, whose marriage took piace this morning. Among the guests from out of town were Messrs. Hartley and Fred Lofts of St. Marys, Mr. Lamb of Montreal, and Mr. B. Davidson of St. Thomas.

Mrs. Pineo Wilson of Tugwash, N.

An enjoyable euchre was held in Moose Hall Saturday evening by Edinburgh Castle Camp, Daughters of Scotland. Mrs. May Haldane, chieftain, acted as convener, assisted by Mrs. Fred Tullett, chief. Twenty-four tables were arranged, and following cards, dancing was enjoyed. The affair was in aid of the camp bazaar.

Miss Anne Hogarth entertained Miss Anne Hogarth entertained Saturday afternoon at a tea in honor of Miss Meta Patterson, an October bride-elect. The guest of honor received many dainty gifts, which were brought in on a wagon decorated with pink and white streamers. Tea was served by the hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. W. E. Hogarth, and Mrs. E. Elliott.

Mrs. Walter McWilliams, of Guelph is visiting her son, Mr. W. A. Mc-Williams, and Mrs. Williams, 96 Windsor avenue.

Miss Moya Flannigan of Boston is expected in town shortly and will be the guest of Miss Angela McPhillips, Princess avenue.

Mrs. Ray Lawson, Cheapside street has as her guests, Mrs. F. G. Newton and her sister, Miss Dorothy Newton, of Sarnia.

Mrs. E. Southcott of Craig street entertained on Saturday evening in honor of Miss Louise Mullett, a bride of next week. The small son of the house, dressed as a halloween fairy, presented the guest of honor with the many pretty gifts. The halloween color scheme was carried out in the dining-room, where the hostess served a dainty lunch, assisted by Mrs. Laurence Park and Mrs. J. C.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Miss Florence West, Craig street, when the girls of the London and Western Trusts Company gave a miscellaneous shower there in honor of Miss Gladys Harvery, a bride-elect of this month. Little Marion and Billie Doig, as miniature bride and groom, very cleverly presented a well-filled basket of gifts, including a novelty bouquet. The evening was spent in music and games, after which a dainty supper was served by the hostess.

THE BANNED AIGRETTE. The ban placed upon the importation of the aigrette in this country

has seriously interfered with the business of gathering these millinery decorations. They formerly came from Honduras largely, where the natives receive 120 pesos, or about \$1 per dozen.

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pird soon dies.

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MRS. B. C. McCANN. who will preside over the London Diocesan Catholic Women's League convention, which is being held in Chatham on Wednesday and Thurs-

DR. WILFRED GRENFELL IS COMING TO LONDON

Will Address Local Branch of Labrador Mission in November.

Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell of Labrador. founder of the Grenfell Mission, will be an interesting visitor in town next month. During his visit he will ad-Mrs. Harris Elliott is entertaining very informally at the tea hour on Friday afternoon.

Miss Nellie McKeown, Elmwood avenue, is visiting friends in Toronto and Guelph.

Mr. W. J. Roberts, 388 Downie street. Stratford, spent the week-end with friends in town.

Miss Edna Durkin has returned

Mrs. Pineo Wilson of Tugwash, N. S., and Mrs. Arthur Archibald of Edmonton, are guests with Col. and Mrs. A. A. Campbell at "Avalon," Wellington street. Mrs. Archibald, who has been spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Wilson, in Nova Scotia, leaves tonight for her home in Edmonton.

An enjoyable euchre was held in dress the local branch of the mission

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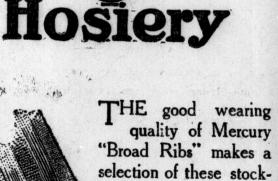
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