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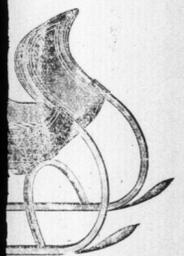
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A News Item and a Letter.

BY RUTH CAMERON.



The other day I was grieved to see in the paper an item to the effect that an old friend of mine who had been married about twelve years had just been granted a divorce from her husband. The grounds were incompatibility. The divorce was uncontested. It was evidently one of those cases in which the two parties have mutually agreed to disagree and to ask the divorce courts to let them do it.

As I read the news item, there flashed into my mind a conversation I had with my friend about four years after she was married. We were speaking of another young woman who had been married about the same time and had two babies, and of the fact that my friend had no children. "Oh, yes, I'm fond enough of children," she said, "but you know Fred and I are unusually devoted, and I don't want any children because I'm afraid they will come between us and spoil our comradeship."

That was eight years ago. To-day the other woman has a family of five beautiful sons and daughters, a very happy home and a devoted husband. While the woman who didn't want children to come between her and her husband has neither home nor children nor husband.

Yes, children often do come between husband and wife, but nine times out of ten they come between them as a bond infinitely more powerful and enduring than mere vagrant desire.

I thoroughly believe that it is well if a young couple can have a year or two to get used to married life and adjust themselves to each other before they add to their responsibilities. But the couple who thinks of marriage as a pleasant companionship which babies would spoil are steering away from a comparatively harmless Scylla to a deadly Charybdis.

About once in so often I have such interesting letters from my letter friends that I can't keep them to my-

Why Have "Nerves" ?

This is the reason why women have "nerves." When thoughts begin to grow cloudy and uncertain, impulses lag and the warnings of pain and distress are sent like flying messages throughout limbs and frame, straightway, nine times in ten, a woman will lay the cause of the trouble to some defect at the point where she first felt it. Is it a headache, a backache, a sensation of irritability or twitching and uncontrollable nervousness, something must be wrong with the head or back, a woman naturally says, but all the time the real trouble very often centers in the womanly organs. In nine cases out of ten the seat of the difficulty is here, and a woman should take rational treatment for its cure. The local disorder and inflammation of the delicate special organs of the sex should be treated steadily and systematically.

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A "Grand Affair."

Pitt's Deal for the Regent Diamond Was a Celebrated Haggle.

The interesting story of the great Regent diamond, now owned by the French Government, is told by Norman Pearson in "Society Sketches in the Eighteenth Century." Thomas Pitt, the grandfather of the great William Pitt, Lord Chatham, purchased the stone while governor for the East India Company, and sent it to England in charge of his son Robert.

Pitt first heard of it in the summer of 1701, and about December of that year Jamchund, one of the best known native merchants, brought the diamond to him at Madras, and offered to sell it for two hundred thousand pagodas. Pitt would not offer more than thirty thousand, so the negotiations stopped. In February, Jamchund came again to Madras, and offered Pitt the diamond for one hundred thousand pagodas. Pitt beat him down to fifty-five thousand pagodas, and raised his own offer to forty-five thousand. Jam-

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Mr. J. Hurlbert.

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England. For the English crown he would make some abatement; but under no circumstances was it to be sold "to a club of people that shall make more advantage of it than myself, who have run the greatest of risks to purchase it."

In 1703 these "risques" began to grow more serious. Never was a man more tormented by a treasure. His letters on the subject from India palpitate with his fears. He dreads being robbed by the jeweler who cut it, or even by his own agents. Having entrusted it to his son Robert and Sir Stephen Evance he subsequently orders them to hand it over to his cousin, George Pitt. About Robert he writes, "I am not a little jealous too of my one, who has already made too-bod with me on several occasions, therefore pray take care now that he does not strip me." Rumors affecting Evance's credit threw him into an agony of alarm. Bitter, too, is his disappointment when he finds that the stone has been reduced by cutting from four hundred and ten to one hundred and thirty-seven carats.

In 1706 it was ready for sale—a "glorious sight,"—but no purchaser appeared. Pitt grew seriously concerned, his anxiety being increased by the growing fame of the jewel. His movements became uncertain and mysterious; he often went about in disguise, and he redoubled his precautions for the safekeeping of the treasure.

At last, in 1717, the Duke of Orleans, regent during the infancy of Louis XV., agreed to buy it for the French crown. Pitt, accompanied by his sons and his son-in-law, Charles Cholmondeley, carried it over himself to Calais, where it was delivered into the hands of the jeweler appointed to receive it. Pitt, in a letter to his son Robert, wrote: "I cannot help impertinent fools meddling with my business that they had nothing to do with. The stone was sold for two million livres (one hundred and thirty-five thousand pounds). I received the third of the money, and the remainder in four payments, every six months, with five per cent. interest; for security of which I have crown jewels, four parcels, one to be delivered at each payment."

What He Wasn't

The home team were determined, at all costs, to retain a lead which luck, rather than superiority of play, had given them.

They packed their goal, and by some means or other withstood a regular bombardment.

At last the attacking side chorussed an appeal for a penalty kick. The referee disagreed.

"Why, three fellows at least handled the ball," remonstrated the visiting captain.

The referee shook his head. "Play on," he said. "That goalkeeper's a marvel!"

"E may be," came the dissatisfied reply; "but I'm blowed if e's a blessed hocketopus!"

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