

DOROTHY DIX'S TALKS

HOW TO MAKE A HAPPY HOME.

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A young couple who are about to marry have asked me if I can give them a reliable, follow-this-rule-and-you-cannot-fail recipe for making a happy home.

Certainly. Easiest thing in the world. I guarantee that any newlyweds can make angel food of life if they will observe these precepts. Begin by going off by your lonesome. Getting acquainted with the person you have married is a dangerous and delicate job and one in which interference by a stranger is perilous. When you have the inevitable little spats that occur when any couple are going through the painful process of adjusting themselves to each other you don't want any outsider refereeing your fights, and urging you to stand firm, and your sparring partner not to give in.

Left alone Birdie will cry it out on the second button of your vest, and you will kiss her blonde hair and call yourself a brute, and nobody will be the worse for it. But it isn't so easy to back down and take water when her or your family have taken sides in the quarrel and turned what was a tempest in a teapot into a real storm.

Also being off by yourselves makes husband and wife depend on each other, makes them necessary to each other, and that's about the strongest thing in the bond that ties two human beings together.

Go to housekeeping. Don't go to live in a hotel. Don't board. Don't go to live with mother or father. Set up your own Lanes and Penates who establish them in your wardrobe trunk. Boarding is as demoralizing to a bride as drink or dope would be. It starts her off in married life on the wrong foot. She has nothing to do, not with which to occupy her mind, or her hands, and it makes her grow lazy and shiftless, and forms in her habits of extravagance that lead to the divorce court.

Women who have nothing else to do but to kill time soon get to playing their moral sense along with it. For lack of anything else to do they grow the shops and grow extravagant. Dress becomes an obsession with them. For want of other interests they grow flirtatious, and that's the beginning of the end.

Women need work and to have duties laid upon them to keep them out of mischief, and no man has a right to subject his girl bride to the temptations of a hotel or boarding house life. As for living with a parent on either side, that's a young wife's perpetual minor in which she never has a chance to develop into a real woman. It dwarts her and is only one degree less objectionable than the hotel or boarding house.

Go fifty-fifty on life, its work as well as its pleasures. A man who cannot make enough money to support a home in decent comfort is a poor weakling who has no right to marry. A woman who does not make her husband a comfortable home, who is not thrifty and industrious, who does not spend the money he makes wisely and judiciously, and who does not keep an orderly house and a good table is a miserable slacker and a quitter, and she has no right to inflict herself on any man. It is just as much a wife's business to work for the success of the matrimonial partnership as it is the man's.

But having done so she is entitled to an equal share of the profits of the concern. No woman should have to ask her husband for money. She should have just as much right to put her fingers in the family purse as the husband has.

Every man who wants a peaceful, happy home should begin by making his wife a definite allowance, as liberal as he can afford. That saves argument over the money question. It teaches a woman responsibility and develops business sense in her, and it makes her feel that her husband is giving her a square deal. There is thirty times less friction about money in a house where the husband gives his wife a cheque on the first of the month than there is where she has

to ask him for the day's supply every morning at the breakfast table. Make up your mind to be good sports, and take whatever fate sends without whining. Make the best of each other instead of the worst. Look for each other's virtues and magnify them, instead of going on a still hunt for each other's weaknesses and dwelling upon them.

When you find that the girl you have married is not quite the pinfeathered angel you had supposed, just remember what a corking good cook she is. When you discover that the man who led you to the altar is not the romantic hero of your girl's dream, just reflect what a good provider he is, and how faithful and honest. And when the times of domestic stress come and everything seems going wrong, and you wonder why anybody's fool enough to slip their necks into the domestic yoke, just sit tight and keep a stiff upper lip, and remember that altho' luck seems going against you that in the end the family always wins out.

Allow each other some personal liberty. The main trouble with matrimony is that most people make it a prison house in which man and woman are chained together so tightly that they can never get more than a few feet apart. This causes them to get on each other's nerves, and hate each other. Have a room for yourself if you can possibly afford it. Go off alone every now and then. Never open each other's letters. Give each other some personal privacy. Even a servant has an afternoon or evening off once a week. If every husband and wife had the same privilege it would cut down the number of divorces.

And being married to a person doesn't give you the right to police his or her every action, to tell him or her what he shall eat, what he shall wear, or what he or she shall think or do. Remember that there is no record of anybody having enjoyed staying in a penitentiary, or having fallen in love with their jailer. Don't argue. The thing is done more homes than all the seven deadly sins combined is the futile family argument. An argument never leads anywhere except to strife, bitter words, and criminalities and redemptions. It never convinces anybody or changes his or her views. Then why indulge in it?

If wife says black is white, let it go at that. Perhaps she's color blind. Anyway, it doesn't make a particle of difference. If husband opines that it's going to be a fine day while wife thinks all the signs point to rainy weather, let him hold to his own prediction in peace. Time will settle it. No other one thing on earth will go so far towards making a happy home as just for a husband and wife to make a rock bottom resolution not to dispute over any assertion that the other makes.

So thank you to each other for favors received. It is a joy and a delight to toll and judiciously, and who does not gratefully for it. It is bitter and hard to toll and sacrifice for those who take advantage of you. It is a source of grief, and are disgruntled because we do not do more.

If you want to make your husband feel that his life has been a day's work is worthwhile, tell him every evening when he comes home how you love him for it, and how you very soul bows down in gratitude when you think that his strong arm is standing between you and want, while so many other women are fighting the wolf from the door with their soft and tender hands. And if you want to make your wife's heart sing for joy, tell her continually how you thank her for all she does for your happiness and comfort.

These are very simple rules for making a happy home, but they work. Every time. Try them. (Copyright, 1918, by the Wheeler Syndicate, Inc.)

S. A. ARMSTRONG DENIES STORY OF RESIGNATION

When S. A. Armstrong, deputy minister of soldiers' re-establishment, was queried last night regarding the published rumor that he had resigned his position in Chicago, he replied, "I have nothing to say," also that he had not seen the rumor published last night.

"I have not resigned from the position of deputy minister," was his answer when asked directly if the story about his resigning was correct. The item referred to said it was stated that Mr. Armstrong had accepted the position of general manager of the Jones Underfeed Stoker Company of Chicago, with a salary of \$25,000 a year. He was formerly deputy provincial secretary for Ontario. Three years ago he was appointed head of the military hospitals commission.

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PLAYS PICTURES AND MUSIC.

"The Gentleman From Mississippi."
Thomas A. Wise, who is gaining in popularity every day with local theatre-goers, has consented to remain in Toronto one more week and present for the first time on a local stage his famous comedy, "The Gentleman From Mississippi," the comedy produced at the Bijou Theatre, New York, which ran for one solid year before going with it on tour for two years more. This comedy was written by Harrison Rhodes and Thomas Wise, just as "Mr. Barnum," the present week's offering was, and is considered among the comedies as a classic. Reserve seats are on sale today at the box office of the Royal Alexandra Theatre, which will be the offering of Edward H. Robinson and his players next week, commencing Monday evening.

"Civilization" Coming to Grand.
Thos. H. Ince's wonder spectacle of the twentieth century, "Civilization," comes to the Grand next week. In presenting this remarkable creation for the edification and enjoyment of the amusement seeker Mr. Ince may well take pride, as he has created something that will live in the minds of those who see it. The real inspiration for the production is to be found in the quiet sort, and the Three Rianos, an eccentric acrobatic feature.

Loew's Theatre.
"The Heart of a Lion," founded on Ralph Connor's Canadian novel, "The Doctor," which will be presented next week at Loew's Theatre. The story is of a young man, who, disappointed in love, seeks the solace of the Canadian forest, where he meets his brother, who is minister of a church in the lumber camp. He also meets a rough forester, who is an enemy of his brother. The conflict which ensues between the three men, with two maintainers of the interest at a high tension. An all-star vaudeville bill includes The Seven Novel Instrumentalists, the Dolce Sisters, with a repertoire of songs; the Gorman Bros., the versatile duo, singing melodies; Swain's cats and rats, in an unusual animal act; Thornton and Thornton, entertainers of the quaint sort; and the Three Rianos, an eccentric acrobatic feature.

A gripping melody of romance and vengeance, with true love working out the happy ending, in substance tells the story of "With Hoops of Steel," which will be seen the coming week at Shea's Hippodrome. Henry B. Walthall, who made an international reputation in the "Little Colonel" in "The Birth of a Nation," appears as Emerson Meade, the owner of a cattle ranch, who is infatuated with the daughter of a cattle king of a western ranch, who is trying to obtain possession of Meade's property. The Corn Cob Cutups, a European musical organization, will head the vaudeville, which will also include Kennedy.

SOCIETY

CONDUCTED BY MRS. EDMUND PHILLIPS

Lady Ann Cavendish and Miss Walton are spending a few days at the Governor-General's quarters in the Citadel at Quebec.

Capt. Kenyon-Blaney and Lady Mary Kenyon-Blaney, who have been in Quebec for some time with Captain Barclay and Captain Bulkeley Johnston, will spend the summer at the Citadel.

Miss Kingmill has been spending a few days with Mrs. Beadmore.

Col. F. H. Deacon is at the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Fennell are guests of Mr. and Mrs. George O. Stanton, Roslyn avenue, Westmount, for a few weeks.

Mrs. James P. W. Ross announces the engagement of her daughter, Elsie Stewart, to Mr. Frederick T. Large, Brantford. The marriage will take place early in July.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander H. Ireland announce the engagement of their daughter, Harriette Rosemond Phillips, to Captain Gaston, Vessaire, Croix de Guerre, French Army, attached to the French Advisory Mission, Camp Lee, Petersburg, Virginia.

The orphan children of France will benefit by the delightful garden fête given in Mrs. J. Laidlaw's lovely house and garden yesterday afternoon. The booths were arranged in the garden, and the children were in charge of the one filled with the most fascinating French embroidery, which was given away with the most fascinating French embroidery.

Miss Winifred Wiseman was in charge of the flower booth, Miss Wedd the one in charge of the book and stationery booth, and Miss Laidlaw the one in charge of the one filled with the most fascinating French embroidery.

An interesting program was given by the following: Miss Lenora Ivey, Miss Laura Ellis, Miss Simpkins, Mrs. Edwin Long, Miss Craig, Mrs. Martin Terry, the music, and the singing of the choir.

Mr. Martin Terry, who was in charge of the drawing room, left town yesterday en route for England.

Mr. Lewis Clemens, who joined the Royal Air Force in the early spring, has been doing valuable work at Leaside Camp for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. George Garrett of 264 Clinton street, celebrated their silver anniversary of twenty-five years of happy wedded life. A host of friends gathered to tender their congratulations, and an enjoyable time was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett looked pretty in a white satin gown and a white dress, respectively. The guests on their arrival. Mr. and Mrs. Garrett were born in England, and came to Toronto when young. They were married in 1893, and have since that time been residents for nearly thirty years.

Mr. Garrett is prominent in Masonic, Orange and Bible class work. He is a member of St. Stephen's Anglican Church, having been connected with this congregation for a considerable period, and held various offices. Mrs. Garrett has been a great assistance in her husband's church endeavors. Their only son, Guy, is in France with the Canadian Mounted Rifles, having enlisted in the 16th Battalion.

The Garrett Bible Class (St. Stephen's Church), of which Mr. Garrett is founder and director, also celebrates twenty-five years of existence this month. This class has eighty-four enlisted active members, of whom many have paid the supreme sacrifice, a score wounded, eight returned, and one re-enlisted and back in England.

DUKE AND HIS PARTY ON MUSKOKA LAKES

Gravenhurst, June 20.—The governor-general and party having reached the concluding days of their tour of the Province of Ontario, are now enjoying a brief holiday on the Muskoka Lakes before returning to Ottawa, where they are due early on Saturday morning. Their excursions left their special Grand Trunk train at Muskoka Wharf last evening and they have been enjoying fishing and bathing and have been favored with ideal weather.

The ladies of the party played the opening game of the season over the new golf links of the Royal Muskoka this morning. This is the first visit of their excellencies to the highlands of Ontario, and they have everywhere been delighted with the scenic surroundings and the opportunities for recreation. Tomorrow morning the party leaves for Algonquin Park, being given a civic reception en route at Gravenhurst.

War Garden Bulletin

PRACTICAL DAILY GUIDE FOR VACANT LOT AND BACKYARD GARDENERS. ENLISTED IN GREATER PRODUCTION CAMPAIGN.

Notes on Garden Pests Issued by the Canada Food Board in Collaboration With the Dominion Entomologist.

WATCH FOR BLISTER BEETLES.
Blister beetles occur almost every year and cause considerable anxiety to farmers and gardeners from their habit of appearing suddenly in great numbers and feeding on potato, beans, beets, carrots, corn, tomatoes and other vegetables. They are soft-bodied, insect-like, slender and cylindrical, and about half an inch in length. Spraying with Paris green or arsenate of lead, as is done for the potato beetle, will control blister beetles, but in some outbreaks it may be necessary to use a blower or application because the beetles which are killed are soon replaced by others. In gardens many of the insects may be destroyed by beating them from the plants into a pan containing water with a little coal oil on the surface.

of the 58th Battalion, who was killed in action on July 1, last year, the whole estate, valued at \$775, goes to his wife, Janet Ramsay, of 115, Southview, in Wexford County, valued at \$150, and at lot at Palm Beach, valued at \$150, comprise the whole of the estate.

STRUCK BY STREET CAR.
When he was struck by a street car opposite 721 West Queen street at 7:40 yesterday evening, Albert Schwartz, 21 West Queen street, aged 37, was severely bruised about the head, and was taken to the hospital, where the car threw him to the ground. He was taken into a nearby doctor's, and after first-aid had been given, he was taken to the hospital. The car was in charge of Motorman J. Ayres.

PUPILS GIVE RECITAL.
Before a large audience in Foresters' Hall last evening the pupils of Mildred K. Walker gave a recital, the program consisting of elocutionary and vocal numbers, with the following pupils taking part: The Misses Annie Bell, Lillian Boyd, Mae Chapman, Vivian Harrow, Irene Hoffman, Gladys LeCom, Olive LeCom, Marjorie Lewis, Florence MacLean, Eva Marsh, Marjorie Matthews, Kathleen McCarthy, Mae Morden, Josephine O'Toole, Florence Peacock, Fay Purvis, Annie Sexton, Isabel Whitlam.

WILLS PROBATED.
James Bedingfield, in his will, left to his wife, an equity of \$500 in a house at No. 6 Lynd avenue, and \$125 cash, absolutely for her own use. A dwelling at Mimico, valued at \$4500, he left to her use while she lived, after which it was to go to his son, James Bedingfield, of the Royal Air Force; a house at 12 Foxley street, he left to her use during her life and at her death it goes to her son George.

The estate left by Sophia Crocker, valued at \$400, she died May 18, leaving no will, falls in equal shares to her son, John Hooper Crocker, of Buffalo, and her grandson, George Hooper Statton, of Oshawa. An equity of \$3225 in a house at 3 Victor avenue, and \$1671, are received in a mortgage on the estate of the late Isabella Patterson, valued at \$2000, together with all her real estate, goes to her adopted son, George Patterson. The remainder of the estate, valued at \$2000, is to be held for her son, Samuel David Patterson, in trust for himself and her other six children, who share equally. The inventory includes \$1320 in the bank and a farm in Grey County valued at \$1500.

In the will of the late Sergt. Rodrick Mackenzie, who was killed in France, March 15, the whole of the estate was left to his wife, Elsie May Mackenzie. The home at 49 Strathcona avenue, valued at \$2000, constitutes the whole of the estate.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.
Notices of future events, not intended to be made more than 24 hours in advance, will be published in the word, minimum 10c; if held to raise money solely for Patriotic, Church or Charitable purposes, per word, minimum \$1.00; if held to raise money for other purposes, per word, minimum 5c per word, minimum \$2.50.

YORK RANGERS overseas and home and abroad friends are cordially invited to attend opening of Overseas Club room at 360 Yonge street, Friday night, at 8 o'clock. Good prizes and music. All returned members especially urged to be present. WOMEN'S ART ASSOCIATION—Shakespearean pageant in garden, June 15, afternoon and evening. Characters in costume, period music, vocal, orchestral, war-time refreshments. 23 Prince Arthur avenue.

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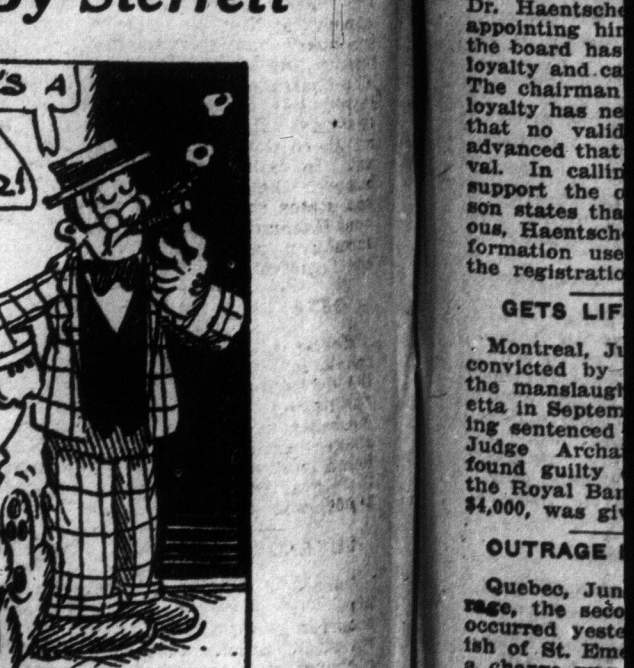
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