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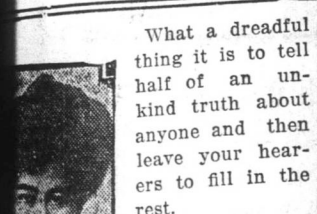
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Half The Truth.

By RUTH CAMERON.



What a dreadful thing it is to tell half of an unkind truth about anyone and then leave your hearers to fill in the rest.

Here's an example of the sort of thing I mean. Some years ago at a small summer place where I was staying was a young married woman whose husband was away on business. She had no children nor household cares, there being no war work then to keep her busy, she was naturally restless. In the middle of the summer there appeared at our little place a young man who had come to the rest of the season for his wife's sake. Inevitably the two of them got together. They walked, sang, rode and read poetry together. There was nothing secretive about any of their relations. It was just a case of friendship—Mary went that man sure to go.

The husband didn't mind. Of course there was some talk as to why he was always in, but the husband in brief visits he made seemed to have no objection to the friendship. I don't believe the talk would amount to anything if it had been for one of those half truths.

The young man who had the room was a young married woman who was discussing as to how deeply impressed the young man was.

"You had heard what I have," said, "you'd think it was a pretentious affair."

Of course, being woman born of man, we wanted to know what she heard.

Didn't believe in starting gossip! I don't believe in talking and starting gossip! she said righteously.

If anything in the world could start more gossip! she started more gossip! she started more gossip! she started more gossip!

that the whole truth might have been just as troublesome. I happen to be in a position, from some information which came to me recently, to combat that idea. The woman had simply overheard some confidences between the young woman and a girl who was visiting her about some flatterings things the young man had said. More perhaps than he should have said but nothing to start the storm of gossip which actually was started by the half-truth.

Half Truths Are Cowardly.

There is nothing in the world more cowardly or mean than an insinuating half truth. If you must speak at all for Heaven's sake tell the whole truth.

One sometimes does this sort of thing unconsciously, I think. The other day I spoke slightly of a doctor. I wouldn't tell why I disliked him and the inference might easily have been that he had given me treatment of an unsatisfactory nature. Which wasn't at all the case. So I hastened to tell the whole truth.

There is something infinitely healing about the whole truth, isn't there? Even if like many healing measures it is sometimes painful at the first.

If You're a Parent.

Maybe you have noticed that all the trouble with bad boys in your neighborhood comes from the children of other people.

We have.

Everybody has noticed that time and again.

Now you and we know that our boy never hung a cat in the woods until that horrid Jones boy contaminated him.

And our boy never threw a rock at a window in his life; that is, we don't believe he did, although some crabbed grousches have complained about him but they must have been mistaken.

Our boy and our girl were raised right; they had the advantage of stern parental discipline, and no matter, in what company they are they will be found in no mischief.

Or if they are, it will be because some son of evil corrupted them.

But other folks' kids; honest to goodness, the wife says that she doesn't know what she is going to do, what with all the strange families moving into the neighborhood, and

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all sorts of new boys yelling over the back fence for Willie.

Another thing we don't understand is why our children don't get better marks at school.

Probably the teacher doesn't know her business.

If we didn't have other folks' children to contend with, and had really able teachers, that understood our children, it would be a much easier task to—

"Willie! Willie, you hear me? You got slapping little sister right this minute; you come right into the house, young man, or I'll attend to you."

As we were saying, the ill-bred, yes, even tough children of your neighbors is what makes city life so unfortunate for parents.—Ex.

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WHEN THE KIDS ARE AT THE WINDOW.

When the kids are at the window with their faces all aglow with a merry smile of greeting, up the steps I gayly go. And I leave my cares behind me and I hustle through the door. For the hugs and glad caresses and the romp upon the floor.

It may be that I am weary with the burdens of the day. That my task was over-heavy and I've faltered on the way. But when home I come at evening I'm as happy as can be. If the kids are at the window there to welcome me.

There's a smile for every failure, there's a hug for every care. There are little hands to lighten every burden that I bear. There are eyes that fairly glisten as I walk along the street. And a promise of a welcome that shall make my toiling sweet.

Let the rich man have his mansion, let the great man have his fame. I thank the Lord above me for the joy that's mine to claim; And whatever else may happen, every day shall end in glee. If the kids are at the window with their happy smiles for me.

Detrimental to Marriage

The scarcity of houses all over Great Britain is having a very prejudicial effect on the marriage rate. At a meeting of the Spalding Rural Council, in a discussion on the housing question, the Vicar of Deeping St. Nicholas, the Rev. W. M. Benson, said that young people were coming to him and saying they wanted to get married, but they could not obtain houses to live in. He added, "I am losing sleep!"

The same state of things appears to exist in the parish of St. Michael, Cricklewood, with a population of nearly 6,000, for the Vicar points out that there has been no wedding in his church since August last. St. Pancras Borough Council are to invite plans, etc., for the erection of blocks of flats on a site in Prince of Wales Road, to contain provision for two, three and four room self-contained flats, to have gas, electricity and hot water services and common baths and wash-houses.

Milady's Boudoir.

MAKING DAINTY ANKLES.

You can never associate the term "dainty" with a woman who has large ankles. Grace, for some reason or other, goes hand in hand with slender ankles. The feet may be large, but if the ankles are shapely no comments will ever be made upon their size. It is impossible to change the conformation of the bone, but exercises and massage will do much toward bringing shapeliness to ankles that are naturally homely.

When there is too little or too much flesh about the bone it can be increased almost at will. I know a woman who reduced the size of her extremely large ankles by 10 minutes' work twice a day. She first removed her shoes and stockings and then exercised her ankles in this manner:

Cross one knee over the other until the foot is raised from the floor, thereby taking any support from it. Thrust the foot out and move the foot at the ankle with a twisting movement, followed by an up and down movement. When one foot grows tired the exercise should be repeated with the other until the first is rested, when it should again be exercised. A slight variety may be given to these exercises by standing and turning the feet from side to side. Of course, you must not wear shoes while following this exercise.

After exercising plunge the feet into a hot bath, in which the water must cover the ankles. Allow them to remain in the water for 10 minutes. The feet and ankles should then be carefully wiped and rubbed well with camphorated oil or a strong saturated solution of alum.

This will reduce the flesh around the ankle in a surprisingly short time. The action of the oil is slower, and it is desirable to use both remedies alternately.

Divorce Figures.

Approximately one out of every nine marriages in the United States is terminated by divorce, according to figures compiled by the Bureau of the Census. Excluding South Carolina, where all laws permitting divorces were repealed in 1878, and the three lowest divorce rates in 1916, for which year returns are now complete, are shown now for the District of Columbia, North Carolina and New York, where the rates were 13.31, 42 per 100,000 respectively. The highest rates were returned for Nevada, Montana and Oregon, which shows 697,

Household Notes.

Salt brings out the flavor of sugar. A good chutney is made with dried peaches.

An oyster shell in the teakettle will prevent rust.

Fresh bread in the cake box will keep the cake fresh.

Never use for the skin anything but the purest soap.

In roasting a leg of lamb allow 20 minutes to the pound.

The larger the roast the easier it is to cook it properly.

Never try to dig your garden until the soil is friable.

Fresh fruit syrups, cold, are delicious served on waffles.

Scalloped salsify is a delicious dish for spring luncheon.

Canvas gloves when paraffined are very useful in housework.

Place a large sponge in the bottom of your umbrella jar.

Soap rubbed on the screens and screen strips prevent sticking.

Wash black silks in water in which pared potatoes have boiled.

Almond meal is an excellent cleanser for a very sensitive skin.

Pistachio nuts when ground add flavor and color to desserts and salads.

If china is carefully wrapped and boiled before using it will last longer.

Orange is one of the most agreeable of all flavors in a cake filling.

Small loaves of bread are better for several reasons than large ones.

Barley is a most excellent breakfast cereal with abundance of cream.

The cheapest food that can be bought at the present moment is milk.

Meat should be looked upon now more as a flavor food than a main dish.

Combinations of vegetables and milk are above the best meat substitutes.

Mignonette in window boxes will help prevent flies from entering the house.

Remedy sagging cane seats by scrubbing with boiling hot suds. Set in sun.

When boiling salad dressing, stir the beaten eggs into the vinegar before boiling.

Cabby's Deduction.

During a lecture tour through the United States, Sir Conan Doyle arrived one day in Boston and was considerably astonished when a cabman accosted him and addressed him by name. "How did you know who I was?" said Sir Conan Doyle, much interested, and not a little flattered by the recognition.

"If you'll excuse me saying so," said the cabman, "the lapels of your coat look as if they had been grabbed by New York reporters, your hair looks as if you had had to stand your ground in Chicago, and your right shoe has evident Buffalo mud under the instep, and—"

"And what?" queried Sir Arthur.

"Well," replied the cabman, "I saw 'Conan Doyle' in big white letters on your trunk."

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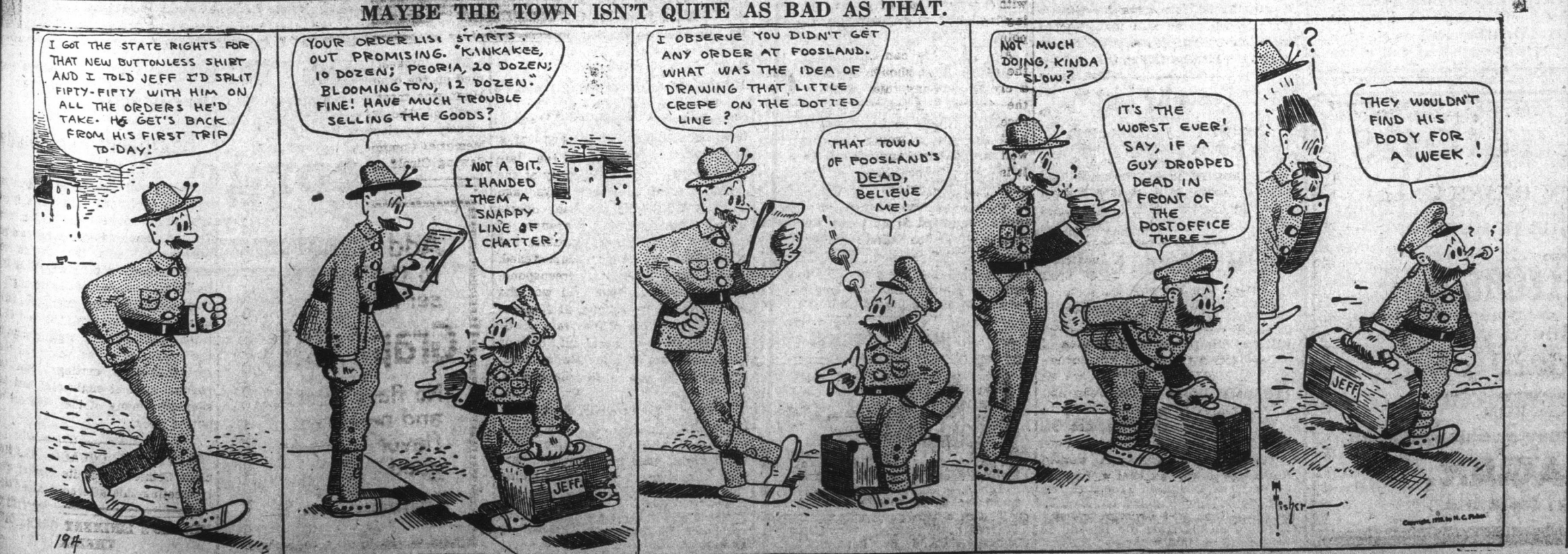
Slices of raw potato boiled in salty soup will improve it. Remove them later.

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FISH.

The fish again are in the brook, from distant waters (fishing), and I must take a line and hook, and catch a cod or herring. When spring arrives I always feel an idiotic longing to go abroad with rod and reel, where other sports are thronging. My wife remarks, "To stream-let's shore I beg that you won't beat it; go, buy canned salmon at the store, and stay at home and eat it. You're always grouchy as a bear when you come home from angling; the way you rave around and swear sets all my nerves a-jangling." I know she's right; the fishing game I ought to call a halt on; I'll never duplicate the fame of good old Isaac Walton. "Twere better far to plant some spuds, or prune the growing carrot, or gather up my winter duds, and store them in the garret. And yet the mighty urge I feel would make the dearest swab stir; I'll have to try to catch an eel, a dolphin or a lobster. I ought to trim that stately tree, whose life is plainly falling; but oh, the brook is calling me, and I must catch a grayling. I ought to grind the reaping hook, and toil like thrifty brothers; but there are suckers in the brook, and wall eyed pike and others. So I'll forsake the growing greens, and leave the rhubarb dying, and go and catch some canned sardines, or break a fishpole trying.



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