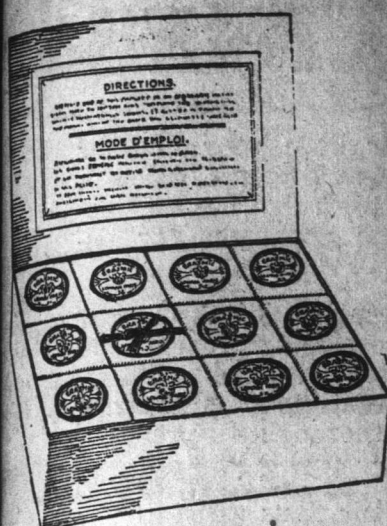


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SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.

There are many young people who seem to think that if they see the old folks of the family have warm rooms, enough to eat, and clothes to cover them, they have done their duty to them nobly.

They feel they are satisfied with warm rooms, enough to eat and clothes to cover themselves with? Has anyone ever satisfied with the conditions of these primary wants, the care man days when it was difficult to satisfy them that man's wishes did not go beyond?

Thankful But Not Happy.
It is a fact that young people of today seem to be affronted by when they become aware of it, but it is a fact the same. Older folks want more they want attention, they want a chance to talk about their lives. They want to be useful, they sometimes feel important when they are denied all these things and told to be thankful because they have a roof to cover them and a fire to warm them, and they may be thankful but they will not be happy.

A few days ago I heard a woman complaining because her mother-in-law is a shut-in beats against the bars of her captivity. "She has nothing done for her," said the daughter, "and yet she isn't happy. I don't understand it." If anyone in the world should understand it that person is the one for she herself has had painful experience in being shut out she was very far from being

The Wedding Day.
It has been proved that the Scots have a particular liking for marriage on the last day of the year, and December 31 has more weddings in credit than any of the other months and sixty-four. When February enjoys the same good fortune it is very clear, but it is possible and the fact that the 28th loses its privilege once every four years may make the day even more propitious.

There is an old saying, "Blest is the bride the sun shines on!" and there have been anxious glances at the barometer on the eve of many a wedding day in the twentieth century, says M. C. Carey in the London Daily Mail.

In olden days the exclamation was made in all good and practical faith, for weddings were literally celebrated in the porch of the church, where

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on a stormy February day, and without such modern conveniences as a spring or umbrella, things went ill with the pretty bride in all her finery when the rain fell and no shelter was available. That is why our ancestors of long ago spoke of "visiting the church porch" to get married, and not as we would to-day of "going to church" for the same purpose.

The throwing of rice at weddings, though still practiced, has of late rather gone out of fashion. Rice is the most prolific of grains, and has been ever emblematic of good fortune and the hope of a "quiverful" to bless the union.

An old Chinese legend tells us how nearly two thousand years before the birth of Christ there lived a far-famed magician in China called Chao. To him came a Chinaman—one Pang—for advice as to his future.

Everyone knows that at the best of times this is a doubtful thing to do, whether in ancient China or within a sympathetic circle in modern Highgate—Result—disney, for Pang learned that his fate was death and that the next six days would be his last "Doctors differ," however, Pang forthwith hid him to another sorceress, possessed of the fair name of Peachblossom, who however, only corroborated Chao's decree, though she promised to avert the calamity by her charms.

It is not surprising to learn that Chao was amazed to see Pang walking the earth on the seventh day; and the workings of the minds of sorcerers are revealed when, far from being delighted to see his ill-omens retorted, Chao at once flew into a passion on realising who was responsible for the miscarriage of his prophecy, and he resolved to destroy Peachblossom, whose power was evidently greater than his own.

With the cunning of a man versed in both the wiles and the dependences of the female sex, Chao approached Peachblossom's parents, and with fair words pretended to seek the daughter's hand in marriage for his son.

The simple souls consented. Sorcery apparently had no power over parents. The marriage cards were exchanged with all the necessary formality and the day fixed, but Chao had chosen well, and on that day the sign of the Golden Pheasant was in the ascendant. He went about his business chuckling to himself.

But Peachblossom knew exactly what old Chao was up to, and knew that as soon as she sat on the ceremonial red chair at her wedding, so surely would the great spirit bird strike her to death.

Peachblossom feared neither man nor bird; and evidently accustomed to the male sex, she used but a simple art to assure herself of the success of her purpose. At the fateful hour she caused large handfuls of rice to be thrown outside the doors of the temple, and while the bird gobbled up the grains she passed safely on her bridal way.

Dance at Bowring Park.
A very enjoyable dance was held at the Bungalow, Bowring Park, last night, under the management of the Misses Miller. The spacious reception room was beautifully decorated with festoons of colored ribbons and flags making a very pretty effect. Messrs. Bowers, Crocker and Cronin, of the Majestic orchestra furnished delightful music. Supper was served at midnight by Mrs. Bendell and associates after which dancing was resumed until an early hour this morning.

SMALL FISH NUMEROUS.—A fair amount of codfish was taken on the local grounds yesterday. Small fish about the size that make rounders were reported numerous. Saleable fish are not as plentiful as they were during the opening of the season.

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Legislative Council.

TUESDAY, June 6.

Shortly after the House opened yesterday afternoon, His Excellency, Sir C. Alex. Harris, accompanied by his private secretary, Col. North, arrived and were conducted to the Council Chamber by President Ryan. There was only one visitor, Rev. Mr. Filastre, brother-in-law of His Excellency, present. Black Rod being instructed summoned Mr. Speaker and members of the House of Assembly to attend the Council Chambers. When all had assembled, the Clerk of the Council Chamber read the following bills which were assented by His Excellency, Marine Disasters; Delinquent Children; Central and District Courts; Judicature Act Amendment; Business Profits Tax; Aerial Air Service; Repeal; War Pensions Act; Customs, (further amendment); Postal and Telegraph Service; Commercial Cable Co. Agreement; Protection of Animals; Stamp Duties; Enforcement of Judgments; R. C. Episcopal Corporation.

After the conclusion of this formal ceremony the House went into committee on the Bill entitled "An Act respecting the Tuberculosis Sanatorium, and the Subsidy Hospital."

Hon. Geo. Shea who had charge of the Bill explained that it was for the purpose of handing over the control of these institutions to the Board of Governors of the General Hospital, thereby facilitating their management. He stated that the Sanatorium cost the Colony about \$110,000 per year, and the average number of patients were from 65 to 70. The advantage of the institution is the isolation of the patients which tends to minimize the spread of the dread disease. Subsidy Hospital had been purchased by the Militia Dept. at the cost of \$29,000, and was devoted to the care of military patients. The annual expenses in connection with this institution were \$10,000. Regarding the questions asked at the second reading of the Bill by Sir Patrick McGrath, the leader of the Government said: "The reason why the Fever Hospital was not put under the control of the Board of Governors was that being a place for highly infectious diseases it was handed by the Dept. of Public Health of which Dr. Brehm was head. No specific amount could be voted towards this department, as at any time an epidemic might arise, calling for increased expenditure. The Government therefore deemed it advisable to have the department under the direct control and its executive head responsible. To expect the Board of Governors to undertake the management of this hospital in addition to the activities in which they were already concerned would be unreasonable."

Before the motion was put Sir P. T. McGrath explained his reasons for asking the question re the Fever Hospital. Sir Patrick understood that it was the intention of the government to abolish Subsidy, which action, he thought, would be very wise. He always contended it was a bad bargain to purchase this hospital, as the work could easily be done at the General Hospital with much less expense to the colony. Referring to the Sanatorium he was startled to learn that for 66 patients who were undergoing treatment at this institution, there were 50 officials to care for them. Throughout the world in institutions of this character it was always recognized that at most there is one attendant for two patients. In connection with tuberculosis Sir Patrick referred to the splendid work accomplished by the late Hon. John Harvey, and he regretted that the campaign organized by this gentleman had not been continued.

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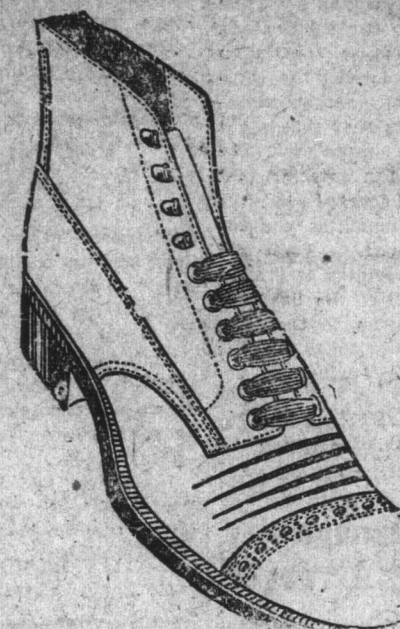
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