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The Second Wife.

By RUTH CAMERON.



How could he? That is what many of the neighbors said when a neighbor of ours married again. The young people, I think, were more severe than the middle-aged and the old. Haven't you noticed they usually are in such cases? Forty-five or fifty seems pretty near the jumping-off place to them, and they don't see why anyone who has had a happy married life until then shouldn't be satisfied.

However, that's a bit beside the point. The point is that we all, young and old, with various degrees of fervor, said, "How could he marry again after such a perfect companionship as he had with his first wife?" Perhaps I shall be a little more careful.

This was about four years ago. The other evening when I dropped in to visit this neighbor and his wife (who has incidentally become one of the best-loved women in the neighborhood), some allusion in the conversation brought back to my mind the day I heard they were to be married. And I thought to myself, "I will never again criticize what other people find best to do." Of course I shall, but perhaps I shall be a little more careful.

When this man announced his intention of marrying again, many people said, "His children are grown up. It isn't as if he needed a wife to look after young children. And what does he feed of a companion? Can't his unmarried children be companions to him?"

His Unmarried Daughter Was Much Absorbed.

At that time, he had two unmarried children—a son and a daughter—still at home. The daughter was even then on the eve of an engagement, and, needless to say, was very much absorbed in her own affairs. She married within the year. The next year the son went away to college. How much companionship was there for him in his unmarried children?

When I dropped in the other night he was reading aloud. "We're reading Dickens, this winter," she said, laying down the little jacket she was crocheting for the youngest grandchild. "We both love him."

Which one of his children would have sat before the fire with their father, evening after evening, reading Dickens?

He is very fond of the great outdoors, and so is she. Every Saturday afternoon the two of them take a long tramp. Which one of his children would keep Saturday afternoons inviolate for that tramp?

They Go To Vespers Together.

He loves organ music, and every Sunday afternoon they go to a vesper service where there is fine music. Which one of his children could be depended on to always accompany him?

Mind you, they are good children and they love their father, but of course they have their own interests and those interests are not always his. Hers are.

He is happy with a reconstructed quiet happiness that I feel sure his first wife would never resent. I do not doubt that his love for her is just as deep and sacred as ever. If she could look down and see him lonely, with no one to share his little pleasures, dependent on the crumbs of companionship his children could spare him, would she be happier?

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PIE.

By GEORGE FITCH,

Author of "At Good Old Siwash."

Pie is a solid shot fired at the stomach by the Pilgrim Fathers. Like all other ordinances, however, it has greatly increased in deadliness by modern science.

Pie originated in New England, but, like most of New England, has gotten a long way from home. It is now found from Sagatuck to Saguenay and from Knight's Key to Bellingham, Wash. It is composed of a Harvey-sized shell filled with dehydrated groceries, the whole roofed over with a man hole cover made out of dough. When the lid is clamped on, the pie is kiln-dried until it will turn a fork point. It is then cut into wedge-shaped pieces and is eaten with avidity, and sometimes with a knife. Thus pie may be said to be the entering wedge of dyspepsia. (Fifteen minutes for recuperation here.)

There are many different kinds of pie, including the open faced, hunting case, fall window, frosted face and ventilated pie. There are also spoon pies, fork pies and finger pies. All pies, however, are similar in two respects. They have a bottom crust, corresponding to a concrete foundation, and they are round. It is no more possible to make a square pie

than it is to make a square barrel. A square pie would probably not explode while baking, but it would not come out right when cut, and the eater would very likely become confused and choke to death on the unfamiliar angles.

Of all pies, apple pie is perhaps the most popular. A sour apple pie alleviated with cloves and sugar and cream will produce more internal joy and exaltation than \$10 worth of goose livers. Berry pies are also delicious, but fragile, and no man who has misplaced a berry pie during a picnic can ever forget it. The pumpkin is lowly and unloved until it is worked into pie, after which it becomes the theme of poets. Mince pie is a meat and fruit hash with an internal revenue flavor. Lemon and custard pies are noted for their delicate construction, but are exceedingly handy as missiles in a pinch. Pies are also made out of vinegar, cheese, rhubarb, prunes, persimmons, pawpaws, grapes, chickens and oysters. A pie was once made of live blackbirds in England, which is about as near as the English ever came to solving the pie problem, anyway.

Pie is severely attacked by European critics and is also regarded with much suspicion in America. This is because pie is being made by too many rank amateurs, and is being eaten by too many enthusiasts. Four pieces of pie do not constitute a lunch, as many men fondly imagine, and a peck of miscellaneous material on a gutta serena foundation is not a pie, as too many housewives are prone to believe. Pies are like paintings—when they are good they are magnificent, but the world has no place for bad pies or bad paintings, either.

RESTORATION.

In Europe when the war is done, the harried land will smile once more; the churches, sacked by howling Hun, some gifted geniuses will restore. The ruined shrines will rise again, to cheer the pious passer-by; but who'll restore the brave young men, who left their happy homes to die? Again the rich and fruitful vine will grow on France's sunny hills, where now the lethal bullet whines a requiem for the men it kills. Strong, patient hands will bring again the bloom to all the countryside; but who'll bring back the fine young men, who bade their girls farewell, and died? For all the wreckage do not grieve—a few years hence a 'twill be a dream; once more the busy looms will weave, the millwheel paddle in the stream; again the sage will take his pen, and art will gain its former stride; all will come back—except the men, who kissed their lips and died. All ruined things will be restored; the sunken ships will be replaced; and there will be an endless horde of men in soldiers' trappings; the bear will mutter in its den, the lion roar in angry pride; but gone forever are the men, who left their fathers' roofs and died.

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Keep Singing.

Don't let the song die out of your heart. When the clouds hang low, and the way looks dark. And it seems in life's blessings you have no part—
Keep singing still—
Keep singing.

Don't let the love-light die out of your eyes. For moments pass, time swiftly flies, And heart-chill comes when the love-light dies—
Keep loving still—
Keep loving.

Don't let the hope die in your breast. When your soul is filled with a vague unrest. And your life seems a commonplace thing at best—
Keep hoping still—
Keep hoping.

Don't let the joy die out of your life. 'Mid ceaseless burdens and endless strife. 'Tis brave hearts that win in the battle of life.
Keep singing still—
Keep singing.

What Dyspeptics Should Eat.

A PHYSICIAN'S ADVICE.
"Indigestion and practically all forms of stomach trouble are, nine times out of ten, due to acidity; therefore stomach sufferers should, whenever possible, avoid eating food that is acid in its nature, or which by chemical action in the stomach develops acidity. Unfortunately, such a rule eliminates most foods which are pleasant to the taste as well as those which are rich in blood, flesh and nerve building properties. This is the reason why dyspeptics and stomach sufferers are usually so thin, emaciated and lacking in that vital energy which can only come from a well fed body. For the benefit of those sufferers who have been obliged to exclude from their diet all starchy, sweet or fatty food, and are trying to keep up a miserable existence on gluten products, I would suggest that you should try a meal of any food or foods which you may like, in moderate amount, taking immediately afterwards a teaspoonful of bisurated magnesia in a little hot or cold water. This will neutralize any acid which may be present, or which may be formed, and instead of the usual feeling of uneasiness and fullness, you will find that your food agrees with you perfectly. Bisurated magnesia is doubtless the best food corrective and antacid known. It has no direct action on the stomach; but by neutralizing the acidity of the food contents, and thus removing the source of the acid irritation which inflames the delicate stomach lining it does more than could possibly be done by any drug or medicine. As a physician I believe in the use of medicine whenever necessary, but I must admit that I cannot see the sense of dosing an inflamed and irritated stomach with drugs instead of getting rid of the acid—the cause of all the trouble. Get a little bisurated magnesia from your druggist, eat what you want at your next meal, take some of the bisurated magnesia as directed above, and see if I'm not right."

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