

Cure Claimed for Leprosy.

A cure for leprosy is claimed to have been discovered by Sir Leonard Rogers, an Englishman. The medicine, a venous injection, is derived from an old Indian specific and is said to effect a complete cure in a few months.

Dorothy Dix's Letter Box

The Homely Man Who Can't Understand Why His Beautiful Fiancee Is Marrying Him—Does "Steady Company" Mean an Engagement?—Being and Acting Good.

Dear Miss Dix: We are engaged to be married. The young lady is twenty, beautiful and full of life. I am twenty-five, and a very old person for that age, poor, fat and homely.

Of course, I am crazy about the girl and she says that she loves me and has proved it in many ways, but she could do much better in getting a husband than she is in getting me. Suppose she comes to realize that. In other words, I am getting a bargain and she is not. What do you think of it?

JOSEPH H.

Answer:

I think that your sweetheart is a very level-headed young person, Joseph, and that she is making no mistake in choosing you. I think that any girl who gets a husband who admires her, and looks up to her, and considers her happiness before his own, and is getting the very best bargain that is in the matrimonial market and that Lady Luck is her twin sister, for most men in these days seem to think that they confer a favor on a woman by marrying her, and that she should be down on her knees in gratitude to them ever after.

You don't see why the girl loves you because you are poor and fat and homely. Well, you know women have more sense in love than men have, and a woman doesn't just look at the outside of an individual as a man does, and marry for that. Any pretty face can catch a man. All that a man asks before marriage is that the girl have a peaches-and-cream complexion and a slim, willowy figure. He doesn't even try to find out whether she has got any sense in her head or any love and tenderness in her heart.

But women look into a man's soul, and if that is beautiful it doesn't make any difference to them whether he looks like a shank or has won the ugly man's medal. Nor do they care, if he is intelligent and interesting, whether he has got varnished hair or a head as bald as an egg. As for keeping the girl's love after marriage, that is a chance that every man takes on the one they marry. But it isn't hard to retain a wife's affection. Just be good to her and keep burning incense at her shrine and you can't lose her.

DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Dorothy Dix—I have been keeping company with a man for two years. We dearly love each other, but this man has never asked me to marry him, although he speaks vaguely of our being happy together some time. Would you consider yourself engaged in a case like this? This man is amply able to marry. He is in business for himself, is well off, and we are both twenty-six years of age.

I do not like to ask him what his intentions are, as I am afraid he would throw it up to me after we were married. What do you think of this situation?

A DAILY READER.

Answer:

Certainly you are not engaged to the man. Before a woman is engaged to a man he has to make her a definite open-and-shut matrimonial proposition, and this man has never asked you to be his wife.

I should say he was a trifle, and that he merely wanted some woman who would love him and flatter him, and entertain him, and whom he could monopolize without burdening himself with her support or having to stand for any of the restrictions of married life.

The old story about the Frenchman who refused to marry the girl to whom he was engaged because, if he did so, he would have no pleasant place in which to spend his evenings has many counterparts in real life. Many men enjoy feminine society that they can have in broken doses to suit their taste and for which they do not have to pay with a wedding ring, and many men have their vanity tickled by being loved. They like to do a little love-making themselves if it commits them to nothing.

Your own common sense must tell you that this man, who is able to marry, does not really want you, or else he would name the wedding day. He grabs the girl he desires and rushes with her to the altar.

Certainly I think you should ask this man what he means to do and make him either put up or shut up. He will respect you more for it than he will for being an easy mark.

DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Miss Dix—Among my acquaintances is a man who has always seemed to be a gentleman. Recently he extended an invitation to me to go away for a week-end with him. To me there is only one meaning in a proposition such as that, and I indignantly refused. When I told him I considered it an insult he said that I was evil-minded, and that he never intended anything that wasn't perfectly proper. Don't you think I was right?

HELEN.

Answer:

Absolutely, and it isn't an evil mind, it is common sense, and common prudence and decency that makes a woman look upon such an invitation as a gross affront. Such excursions are simply the thing that are not done by respectable young women.

Of course, to the pure all things are pure, and it is perfectly possible for a man and woman to spend an entirely proper week-end together platonically discussing Shakespeare and the musical glasses, but it would take a great deal to convince a cynical world of the fact.

"Be thou pure as ice and chaste as snow, thou shalt not escape calumny." Especially when you give cause for Mrs. Grundy to suspect the worst, and as long as hotel registers are admitted evidence in the chronicles of scandal, a young woman needs a chaperon when she goes week-ending with any man outside of her own immediate family.

For this is a censorious world, in which a girl has to watch her step. It isn't enough for her just to be good; she has to act good.

DOROTHY DIX.

WOMEN OF WARD 4

Meeting in Knox Church
Sunday School Room

FRIDAY AFTERNOON
AT THREE O'CLOCK

South of Dundas and West
of Wellington Street

WOMEN'S LONDON TEMPERANCE
CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

WOMEN and THE HOME

THE SEA HAWK

By RAFAEL SABATINI.

CHAPTER X (Continued).

Of all that proposal, made at prodigious length and with great wealth of Eastern circumlocution, the only phrase that took root in his rather bewildered mind was that which concerned the chastening of the enemies of Islam. The enemies of Islam, he conceived, were his enemies; and he further conceived that they stood in great need of chastening, and that to take a hand in that chastening would be a singularly grateful task. So he considered the proposals made him. He considered, too, that the alternative—in the event of his refusing to make the Protestations of Faith required of him—was that he must return to the oar of a galley, of a Moslem galley now.

Now that was an occupation of which he had more than his fill, and since he had been washed and restored to the normal sensations of a clean human being he found that what he wanted was the scope of his courage he could not envisage returning to the oar. We have seen the ease with which he had abandoned the religion in which he was reared for the Roman faith, and how utterly deluded he had found himself. With the same degree of ease did he now go over to Islam, and with much greater profit. Moreover he embraced the religion of Mahomet with a measure of fierce conviction that had been entirely lacking from his earlier apostasy.

He had arrived at the conclusion whilst aboard the galley of Spain, as we have seen, that Christianity as practiced in his day was a grim mockery of which the world were better rid. It did not seem to him that his convictions that Christianity was at fault were the length of making him suppose that Islam was right, or that his conversion to the faith of Mahomet was anything more than superficial. But he was not a philosopher, and he was not the rower's bench and the poopdeck, the oar and the scimitar, he boldly and resolutely made the only choice that in his mind could lead to liberty and life.

Thus he was received into the ranks of the Faithful whose pavilions await them in Paradise set in an orchard of never-falling fruit, among rivers of milk, of wine, and of clarified honey. He became the Kayla or lieutenant to Yusuf on the galley of the Religion—as the vessels of the Knights of Malta were called—Yusuf was mortally wounded in the very moment of victory. He died an hour later in the arms of Sir Oliver, naming the latter his successor in the command of the galley, and enjoining upon him that he should be returned to Algiers and the Basha should make sure his further will in the matter.

The Basha's will was to confirm his nephew's dying appointment of his successor, and Sir Oliver found himself in full command of a galley. From that hour he became the Kayla of the Religion, and his name was changed to the name of Sak-el-Bahr, the Hawk of the Sea. His fame grew rapidly, and he was the acknowledged sea hero to the very shores of Christendom. Soon he became Asad's lieutenant, the second in command of all the Algerine galleys, and in the fact that he was the commander-in-chief, for Asad was growing old and took the sea more and more rarely. Sak-el-Bahr sailed forth in his name and his stead, and such was his courage, his address, and his good fortune, that he never did he go forth to return empty-handed.

It was clear to all that the favor of Allah was upon him, that he had been singled out by Allah to be the very glory of Islam. Asad, who had ever esteemed him, grew to love him more and more, and he was a devoted servant of his own, and he gave orders that his fetters should instantly be struck off and his liberty restored them.

Called to account by the Basha for this action, he took a high-handed way, and no other was possible. He swore by the beard of the Prophet that if he were to draw the sword of Mahomet and to serve Islam upon the seas, he would serve in his own way, and one of his ways was that his own countrymen should have immunity from the edge of that same sword. Islam, he swore, should not be the loser, since for every Englishman he restored to liberty he would bring two Spaniards, Frenchmen, Greeks or Italians into bondage. He prevailed, but only upon condition that he should capture slaves who were the property of the state, if he desired to abstract them from the state, he must first purchase them for himself. Since they would then be his own property he could dispose of them at his good pleasure. This did the difficulty, which had arisen, and Oliver-Reis bowed wisely to that decision.

There were, when English slaves were brought to Algiers he purchased, manumitted, and found means to send home again. True, it cost him a fine price yearly, but he was fast amassing such a wealth as could easily support this tax.

He found one day among some English seamen brought captive to Algiers by Biskaine-el-Borak—who was become his own second in command—a young Cornish lad from Helston named Pitt, whose father he had known.

He took this lad home with him to the fine palace which he inhabited near the Bab-el-Oueh, treated him as an honored guest, and sat through a whole summer night in talk with him, questioning him upon this person and that person, and thus gradually drawing from him all the little history of his native place during the two years that were sped since he had left it. In this way gathered an impression of the useful longings, the fierce nostalgia that must have overcome the renegade and his endeavors to ally it by his endless questions. The Cornish lad had brought him up sharply and agonizingly with that past of his upon which he had closed the door when he became a Moslem and a corsair. The only possible inference is that in those hours of that summer's night repentance stirred in him, and would long to return. Rosamund should reopen for him that door which, hard-driven by misfortune, he had closed. That she would do so when once she knew the truth he had no faintest doubt. And there was now no reason why he should conceal the truth, why he should continue to shield that dastardly half-brother of his, whom he had come to hate as fiercely as he had erstwhile loved him.

In secret he composed a long letter giving the history of all that had happened to him since his kidnapping, and setting forth the entire truth of that and of the deed that had led to it. And, moreover, it was not a mere matter of passionate protestations of innocence, or of unsupported accusations of his brother. It told her of the existence of proofs that must dispel all doubt. It told her of that parchment indited by Master Baine, and witnessed by the jurors, which document was to be delivered to her together with the letter. Further, it bade her seek confirmation of that document's genuineness, did she doubt it, at the hands of Master Baine himself.

(To Be Continued.)



MISS LOUISE DUFFIELD.

daughter of Mrs. James Duffield, who will take part in "The Cameo Girl" to be presented here in aid of the National I. O. D. E. Educational War Memorial.

STRATHROY RACES PROVIDE THRILLS

Several Mishaps Feature Last Day of Excellent Fair.

Special to The Advertiser.

Strathroy, Sept. 17.—Strathroy fair closed this evening with all records shattered. The attendance today was well over 4,000. President Ed. Dex of Metcalfe is still a patient at Strathroy Hospital, not recovered from his accident of some weeks ago, so the duties of leadership have thus been cast upon the other directors, and especially upon the vice-president, William Gallagher, and the secretary, D. J. Donaldson.

Interest today centered in the entertainment features, rather than the judging of exhibits. The races were especially good, four heats in each being required to decide Tony Mack, the winner of the 2:16 pace, and Lady G. the winner of the green race.

The day's sport was unfortunately marred by accidents. In the first heat of the green race, Lou driven by J. Lucas of Metcalfe, fell on the back stretch, throwing her driver, J. MacDonald of Christina was right behind with Harry Pointer, and he also went down, and Mr. MacDonald was thrown half way across the track. Neither horse was injured, nor Mr. Lucas, but Mr. MacDonald was so shaken and bruised that he could not continue the driving, but from a seat on the judge's stand saw his two horses win second and third money in the green race.

Sulky Upset.

Another mishap occurred in the third heat of the 2:16 class. Hal Unko had taken two heats by a narrow margin from Tony Mack, and in the third heat Tony Mack obtained the lead. At the last quarter Hal Unko was taken outside to pass the gray horse, but the sulky turned over throwing the driver, Berger, and putting him out of the heat. The sulky was badly wrecked, but although the driver was able to continue the race, the Unko horse had to yield to the gray from Forest.

In the heat of this race, Tony Mack, in the lead at the stretch, almost became involved in another accident when a newspaper blew across the track and got tangled in the horse's feet. The horse kept his footing, but lost the heat.

In the green race, Star Paldun, an entry of Sinks Bros. of Denfield, was utterly unmanageable, and nearly wrecked the race several times, before he was drawn in the third heat. He caused a lot of scoring, demanding a heap of patience on the part of Starter Barrett, but provided considerable entertainment for the crowd.

At 3:30 p.m. the grand march part of all prize-winning stock took place in front of the stand, and made a really imposing spectacle. Many comments were heard as the noble, beautifully groomed and finished animals went past, led or driven by their proud owners.

Soldiers' Exhibit.

The exhibit of the work of the returned soldier patients at Westminster Hospital, in charge of Nursing Sister Farncomb, assisted by Miss Winnifred McGeary, did a thriving business. Tonight there was little of the big stock on display to return to London, and many orders were taken for future delivery. Without exception all exhibitors report as having done a good business during the two days, especially the out-of-town firms.

During the disposal of the vegetable exhibit, 18 boxes of fresh strawberries were sold at 35 cents a box. These were produced on an everbearing variety of plant, shown by Pearson & Son of Strathroy. License Inspector Bolton, Provincial Officer Stratton, and County Constable Wharton were on the grounds, but found not the slightest trace of anything to attract their professional interest.

DAVIS-McDONALD.

Special to The Advertiser.

Hensall, Sept. 17.—On Monday afternoon last at the manse, a happy event took place when Joseph Gordon Davis of Exeter was united in marriage to Miss Olive McDonald, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. McDonald, of the London road, a couple of miles south of Hensall. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. A. McConnell of Carmel Church.

HIGHWAY BUILDING EQUALS LAST YEAR

Hon. George S. Henry Describes Activities—Per Mile Cost Lowered.

Special to The Advertiser.

Strathroy, Sept. 17.—Addressing the chamber of commerce at a special luncheon given in his honor today, Hon. George S. Henry, minister of public works, who came to the city to open the annual fall fair, declared that within two years Strathroy would be connected with a trunk system of highway running from the west to the center of the province. Mr. Henry's address touched on both the highway and agricultural developments in the province.

Favorable conditions which had greeted road-building this year were reviewed. At the first of the year retrenchment had been ordered. It was found, however, that with the bids for construction of roads aggregating 25 per cent less than those in 1923, much more road could be built. There were also some unemployed in the province that the highway department was granted from \$1,000,000 to \$1,250,000 for extra expenditure. In all there were 190 miles of highway under construction this year, equal to the record of 1923.

Turning to the subject of agriculture, Mr. Henry pointed out that the farmer was not only as much affected by the vagaries of the world market, but was also subject to the whims of the weather. Although this year had appeared a black one for the farmer, present indications are that this will be the best year in the history of the province.

Mr. Henry spoke of Southern Ontario as a district which has no equal in the globe.

Alex. Fisher, president of the chamber of commerce, presided at the meeting.

Attendance increases. With much overcrowding to be contended with at present, the attendance at the Collegiate Institute continues to grow, attaining today a record with 725 pupils present. Last year a previous attendance record was broken when the enrollment amounted to 640. Requests are being made that a new teacher be added to the staff. The commercial classes are much more popular this year than they ever have been before.

When the evening industrial classes commence the fall term on October 6, two new classes, home nursing and horticulture, will be started, and one in radio discontinued.

While here on a tour of inspection, C. G. Bowker, general manager of the central region, C. N. R., stated that business for the last three weeks has been better than it had been for some time. Mr. Bowker was most optimistic as to business conditions, bettering themselves.

The Canadian Girls in Training of the Central Methodist Church held its annual election of officers last night. The new girls Wilcox; vice-presidents, Corabel Ingram; secretary, Ila Clark; treasurer, Edna Piggett; pianist, Dorothy McTavish.

A large gathering attended the silver anniversary of the organization of the Central Methodist Church Auxiliary of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church yesterday. The society was organized in 1899 by the Rev. E. N. Baker, D.D., the pastor of the church, and Mrs. Baker was shortly after coming to Strathroy, but the society, in which she had interested herself so much, continued to grow from a membership of 20 to 200.

A number of employers of labor met last night with the management committee of the board of education to discuss the question of part time tuition for children under the age of 16 who are at work. The law requires that they shall have 400 hours per year education, and the board of education must arrange for it.

School Attendance Officer Hugh Ferguson.

adolescents who are employed, and a schedule of studies will then be mapped out.

ENGAGEMENTS

A charge of 75 cents for one insertion, and of two for two insertions, is made for notices under this heading. Orders for insertion of engagements must bear the name and address of sender, and will not be taken over the telephone.

Ice Works Both Ways.

Ice, being a poor conductor of either heat or cold, is used in railway refrigerator cars to keep fruit and vegetables from freezing when being sent into a cold climate as well as to preserve food in a warm temperature.

LADIES OF WARD 4

To all the ladies interested in the coming O.T.A. plebiscite, Mrs. A. Patterson is calling a meeting in Colborne Street Methodist Sunday School on

Friday, Sept. 19th
at 3 o'clock

Ward 4 is the district bounded by Huron street on the north, Dundas street on the south, Wellington street on the west, and east to the city limits.

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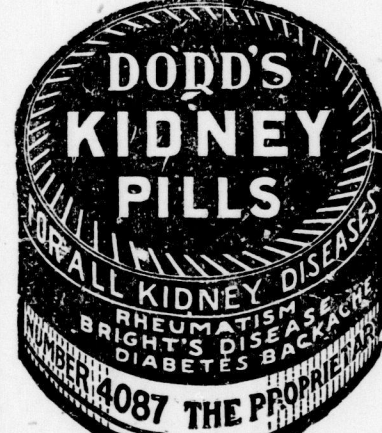
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