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## Lenten Meditations from The London Times

### MATTER AND MYSTERY

The Eastern people to whom our Lord spoke would not be perplexed by his frequent use of symbolism. Their own Scriptures abounded with it; it largely shaped the ritual of the law, and the symbolism of the Prophets was intricate and at times cryptic. But except when he borrowed the language of apocalyptic to describe the Judgment Day, our Lord's symbolism was of a kind that the country-folk of Galilee could understand. All that he needed he found in the natural world—in the dawn sky, the birds, the flowers, the vineyards, and cornfields. These were the visible signs of unseen spiritual realities which could be the means of bringing the soul of man into intimate communion with God.

The value of this sacramental view of the world as an aid to religious life is perhaps too little appreciated by the average citizen. He knows that bitter disputes have raged round the special interpretations of sacramental doctrine, and, wisely enough, he dislikes such controversy. Also, and less wisely, he desires what he supposes to be a common-sense creed, free from all mystery, so that he may know what he believes and may believe only what he knows. Yet such a demand cannot logically be made of a supernatural religion, and unless Christianity is this, its very name is emptied of meaning. The God to be worshipped must be one whose ways and wisdom infinitely transcend those of the worshipper.

Indeed there is hardly anyone, however prosaic and practically minded, who at some moments has not been almost overwhelmed by the sense of underlying mystery, of which the natural world is an omen and a sign. He may dismiss such a mood as fanciful, but he will be wiser to treasure it as a moment of enlightenment which allowed a glimpse through the things which seem of the things which are. Upon this perception of mystery may follow an idea of what life can become if, by the use of permitted means, it is brought into sacramental union with God. It has been by looking through nature to nature's God, by opening their eyes to discern the symbolic and sacramental interpretation of life, that many have reached that knowledge and certainty of God, that sense of intimate communion with him, which previously they had desired in vain. It is by no means the only but it is a real road to faith.

### DOLLS-WEDDING GIFT

In India, where child marriages are common, dolls are customary wedding presents.

## Dorothy Dix Says—

### WIFE TIRES OF MATE

### Woman, Wed 25 Years, Must Have New Love To Get Divorce Urge

DEAR MISS DIX: I have been married more than 25 years and I feel that it is unfair for me to continue any longer to live with my husband when I do not love him, when our tastes are entirely different and my only interest in him is in the material things that his money buys.

My husband is a fine man, very popular among other men, and very successful in business. but I feel that he is not happy. So it seems to me that if I get a divorce, it would be better for all parties concerned and I, for one, would have a clear conscience. Please tell me what to do.

A WONDERING WIFE.

ANSWER: Whose desires are your considering in contemplating a divorce, your own or your husband's? Is there another man or another woman in the case? Are both of you eating your hearts out with a hopeless passion for someone nearer your heart's desire than the mate you have? All of these things are important factors in deciding whether you should leave your husband or not.

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## Living & Leisure

## THE WOMAN'S REALM

And not by eastern windows only,
When daylight comes, comes in the light;
In front the sun climbs slow, how slowly,
But westward, look, the land is bright!

—Arthur Hugh Clough

### BIG CLOVE INDUSTRY

The Clove Growers' Association in a brochure telling the story of cloves, says that Zanzibar is now virtually the only place in the world the prosperity of which depends primarily on the clove industry. Some 80 per cent. of the world's supply of cloves comes from Zanzibar and its neighboring island of Pemba.

### DID YOU KNOW?

That Britain is now making more than £1,000,00 worth of army greatcoats for the United States army.

That the famous Pasteur Institute in Paris is making penicillin. Members of the institute have come to London to consult with British medical scientists on its manufacture.

### OVERDONE

It is a wise woman who is careful how she makes up her face in the daylight being careful not to overdo it. Artificial night light can stand much more make-up than pure sunlight, the latter making a heavy make-up result in an ordinary appointment.

### FLAVORING SOUP

To give a company touch to such prosaic fare as canned vegetable soup, heat the soup with a few cloves. When it's boiling hot, Your guests will have a fine time arguing about the source of the unusual flavor! and if you are cooking a thick bean soup, cook yours with a whole onion studded with cloves.

### FOR TRAVELLING

If you have received candy as a gift in an attractive box, fit the box out with all the sewing necessities and put aside for your next trip. It will fit either grip or trunk and come in very handy when travelling.

A small cream pitcher is handy to fill the thermos bottle with hot coffee. The average cream pitcher holds half a pint (one cup) of liquid, so that you can measure the beverage accurately and add cream and sugar to taste.

## COOK'S CORNER

### PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES

½ cup shortening
½ cup white sugar
½ cup brown sugar
1 egg
½ cup peanut butter
1 tablespoon warm water
1 teaspoon vanilla
1½ cups sifted flour
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon soda

Method: Cream the shortening thoroughly. Gradually cream in the white sugar and then the brown. Beat the egg slightly and add to the creamed mixture, then beat until the mixture is light and fluffy. Beat in the peanut butter, then add the warm water and the vanilla. Use bread flour in this recipe. Sift the flour and then measure it and sift again with the salt and soda. Gradually blend the sifted dry ingredients into the creamed mixture.

The dough may be dropped in small spoonfuls onto a greased baking sheet or else you can form the dough into small balls and place on a greased baking sheet, then press them down with a fork. If desired, you may press half a shelled peanut in the centre of each cookie. Don't place the cookies too close together, for they spread a little when baking. Bake in a moderate oven (350 deg. F.) for about 20 minutes. These cookies are fairly soft when taken from the oven but they become crisp when cold. This recipe makes about 50 cookies.

### NAMED AFTER INVENTOR

The Braille alphabet was named after Louis Braille, born near Paris in 1809.

## A JOB ONLY YOU CAN DO

Price Control Questions and Answers

**Questions and Answers on Price Control will appear in The Guardian as a regular feature each day. The questions are those which have reached the Wartime Prices and Trade Board from housewives in this region. The answers are provided by the Board Readers. Persons who have intelligent questions to ask on price control are invited to send them in writing to the Women's Regional Advisory Committee of the War Time Prices and Trade Board.**

Q. May members of a community club donate loose coupons so that one member may purchase preserves in quantity for Soldier's Boxes?

A. It is illegal to use loose coupons. It will be necessary for the members to purchase preserves individually.

Q. I would like to obtain information regarding the ceiling price of a car I have for sale. Where may such information be obtained?

A. You may obtain an information blank form from your nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board office. When this is properly filled in and returned, the information you request will be sent to you.

Q. How many meals must one serve to members of the Armed Forces before application may be made for ration coupons?

A. Nine meals. Please note that a 48 hour leave entitles you to a maximum of 6 meals only.

Q. My grocer removed a sugar coupon from my book by mistake, with the result that I am now short of sugar. Would it not be permissible for me to remove coupons myself to avoid further mistakes?

A By all means, provided that you remove them in the presence of your grocer. All consumers should keep informed as to the validity dates of their coupons, for in so doing, they can co-operate with their retailers who are often times short of help.

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Q. Is it permissible to reprove people nearby who insist upon talking?

A. Yes, they deserve to be reproved, but in some instances they become more rude when reproved.

Q Is it correct to close a formal social letter with "Sincerely yours."

A. Yes.

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## MODERN ETIQUETTE

By Roberta Lee

Q. How can I make a good cold cream?

A. Melt together in double boiler ½ oz. spermaceti, 2 oz. oil of sweet almonds, and 1 oz. white wax. Remove from fire and add gradually 4 oz. glycerine, and perfume if desired.

Q. How can I make lighter chicken dressing?

A. Poultry stuffings, croquettes, or any stuffing that is inclined to be a little heavy, will be lightened if a teasponful of baking powder is added before cooking.

Q. How can I keep olive oil sweet?

A. Olive oil or salad oil will not become rancid if a pinch or two of sugar is added to the oil as soon as it is opened.

## BETTER ENGLISH

D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "She fixed the roses in the vase."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "lullaby?"
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Accomplice, promise, treatise.
4. What does the word "grotesque" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with oh that means "confused, or without order"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "She arranged the roses in the vase." 2. Pronounce lul-a-bi. u as in up, a unstressed, i as in lie, primaipal accent on first syllable. 3. Accomplice. 4. Characterised by fantastic exaggeration, especially of human and animal figures. "She was frightened by a grotesque nightmare." 5. Chaotic.

## HOW CAN I!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. When talking with other people in what way should a woman refer to her husband?

A. She should call him by his christian name when speaking to friends, as "my husband" when talking with acquaintances, and as "Mr. Smith" when talking with servants on business people.

Q. When does it is the theater, City Province

## ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

There was hay hauled this morning from the stacks up by the Mine. I'm beginning to doubt ,even with the abundance saved in last summer's warmest days if at the end of the feeding James will have much reserve for the lean years. He, as I said, is always the best one to plan ahead. I sometimes doubt that he enjoys the day at hand sufficiently, because he is always so concerned for the future and is especially taken up with providing for those "famine years." A good method too, and most dependable, for as he often points out to me: "One of us must look ahead!" We lost him—Judy and I—nearing the dinner-hour, when the hay-hauling had been postponed because Jock was obliged to assist Mr. D. at his carpentering. The dinner had reached that critical stage, where the potatoes—jacketless — were almost cooked. ("Dear me' Judy said anxiously, "they get so soggy if the dinner has to wait.") The roast was ready to be lifted from the pan to the warmed platter; the carrots were in a bowl in the warming-oven and Judy had the makings of the gravy ready to be mixed, onion and all—onion being one of James' "partials." And no step on the porch: And no James to the door. I spread the table, in the kitchen. Judy went to the porch-door called lustily, no James. "Perhaps" she suggested to me, when she came indoors "if you would play the piano, that would bring him" this obviously being one of his favorite times for dropping in. But when hunger gnaws even to play a Hymn is to me a laborious undertaking. There were a dozen chores Judy was as she said anxious "to get at." I could have gone to several myself. Still no sign of James. The folk in the house across the lane had dined. I saw Pard regaling himself on the scraps at their doorstep. We began to read the paper, Judy and I, swapping pages, every word of it, changing again. We replenished the fire, took the tea-pot off the stove, then in case James should come suddenly, set it on again. No James. When Judy acting on an inspiration of mine, called Karolyn, there he was at Rob's. He had been over the fields and up the wood-road with a load of manure from the stables and then being no great distance from Rob's had decided to continue. It was quite sometime since he had seen Jamie and besides he was wondering how those "hawgs" which went to market yesterday weighed. "Of such things dreams are made" Judy said when she hung up. "Now when I'm married" she said looking down her nose at me. I know all about

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## MORNING SMILE

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That night under the stars he swore eternal love.

"But how can I be sure that you are sincere?" she said. "I expect you deceive all the girls."

"Oh, that's an awful libel," he explained. "You are really the first."

### EAGER TO HELP

The offices of the inspector of taxes and the collector of taxes were in the same building.

A woman who got into the lift said to the liftboy: "Taxes."

"Collector or inspector?" asked the boy.

"Taxes, please," replied the lady.

"Now, look 'ere, ma'am," said the liftboy. "Do yer want ter pay or just 'ave an argument?"

## HOUSEHOLD SCRAP BOOK

By Roberta Lee

### Colds

A good remedy for a cold on the chest is turpentine and camphor, to which add a few drops of eucalyptus oil. Shake thoroughly and apply to the chest, then place a warm cloth over the chest.

### Peeling Onions

The eyes can be protected when peeling an onion if it is dipped for a moment in boiling water. Then begin at the root and peel upwards.

### Tomato Soup

A pinch of soda put into the tomato soup before the milk is stirred in is a good insurance against curdling.

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