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Dorothy Dix Letter Box

Unhappy Young Mother Advised Temporarily to Give up Child for Husband - Shall Couple Give up Marriage Plans to Placate Hysterical Daughter?

Dear Miss Dix—I am a young girl and have been engaged for three years and am soon to be married. My fiancé has a fine position and in addition conducts a large orchestra and is very popular. Is widely known and greatly liked. Also, he has a wonderful family. We have a baby girl several months old. As soon as we are married I want to adopt her, but George says "no," that I must put her in a foundling home. That if people found out about her he would be disgraced, and he cannot stand that. So I must decide between him and my baby. I will be miserable if I give him up, but I want my baby. What shall I do? DORA.



Answer: We have to pay for our sins, don't we, Dora? And I can think of no higher price that a woman can pay than to have to decide between her baby and the man she loves. Whichever she chooses will be a heartbreak for the other.

Of course, you have to look at George's side of the matter and that is easy enough to see. He is popular, admired, respected, has hosts of friends, an enviable position in the community. It certainly would be a humiliation to him to have his little pink balloon that is sailing so gayly in the air punctured by gossiping tongues as it would be if he returned from his honeymoon with a child. Perhaps, in his egotism, he also spares you a thought and wants to save you from the cold welcome you would get from his family and friends if you came among them with the evidence of your weakness and folly in your arms.

Also, you must remember that paternity is not to men what maternity is to women. Very few men seem to have any more feeling or sense of responsibility toward their illegitimate children than a stray cat has toward its kittens. A child has to be born in wedlock and the father has to be associated with it intimately in the home, he has to have a pride in it to make him love it, as a general thing. But there are very few women in the world who do not love their children even before they are born and whose arms do not ache for their little ones as long as they live, if they are forced to give them up.

Of course, thousands of girls who bring fatherless little children into the world are compelled to turn them over to asylums and give them to more fortunate women to adopt because of their fear of disgrace and because they cannot possibly support a child and themselves, too, and because they know it would be so much better for the child, but I doubt if one of these poor pitiful unwed mothers ever ceases to grieve over her lost baby.

So much may be said in excuse of George. He is taking the easiest way that probably nine men out of ten would take under the circumstances, but if he were a finer and a stronger character he would stand up and take his punishment and do his duty by the little helpless creature that he brought into the world. For he cannot evade his responsibility there. He owes it to the child to give her a name and a home and the blessing of being brought up by a mother who loves her. At present it would be inadvisable for all concerned for you to follow your plan and adopt her, but several years hence it might be done without causing any comment and it would give you both a chance to solve your consciences and make what amends you could to the child for your sin against her.

But if you have to decide between George and the child I think you will be wise to take him, because you cannot make enough money to even feed and clothe the child decently. You will have nobody to take care of her and she would be better off in an asylum than she would be with you. Also, in an asylum her life will not be made miserable by her being twitted with her illegitimacy as it would be if she was known as the child of an unlawful mother.

Also, your little girl will have the chance of being adopted by some woman who will be a good mother to her and give her a home and rearing, and some other man will give her a name her own father refuses her.

DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Miss Dix—I am a middle-aged woman, comfortably well off, but very lonely. I am engaged to a widower similarly circumstanced and as we are very congenial we feel that we could make each other happy. But the widower has a married daughter who lives with him and who will not permit him to marry, not because it is me, but because she does not want him to marry at all. She goes into hysterics and threatens to destroy herself if he marries. I have asked him to give his daughter the larger portion of his property before we marry, and I am willing to use my own money for us to live on, but nothing satisfies her. We are both very unhappy and she makes his life a torture to him. What are we to do? UNHAPPY ONES.

Answer: That is the easiest question I have ever been called up to answer. No problem at all. Don't say another word to daughter. Just step around to the parson and get married and then go off on a nice long bridal trip. And from the first stop send her a wire telling her what you have done and that there is no use crying over spilt milk.

She will throw a few fits and probably sulk a while, and if nobody notices her she will get over it and everybody will be happy. As for her carrying out her threat to kill herself, that is simply a bluff that she will run all of her life to get her own way, and if you have just got the nerve to call it you will find out that instead of taking rough-on-rats she will mix up a dose of bicarbonate of soda or that the pistol she flourishes around hasn't had a load in it for ten years.

Hysterics is the coward's weapon that a lot of women use to gratify their own desires. They are cry-babies who howl for what they want until they get it. They make scenes if they are crossed and so everybody walks on tiptoes around them and gratifies their every whim. Thus are they enabled to tyrannize over the family because nobody has enough sense or backbone to just walk off and leave them to their own devices when they begin to scream and rage.

It is perfectly silly for a middle-aged man and woman to let their lives be ruined by the whim of an utterly selfish woman who, for no reason at all, wants to keep them from getting married, and if you give in to her you will deserve all you get. DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Miss Dix—I am often called "a good girl" and "a nice girl." What is the difference between the two? GEANNE.

Answer: None whatever. A good girl is a nice girl and a nice girl is a good girl, and either one or both of them is a sweet and a dear. DOROTHY DIX.

PREACHING AND PRACTICE Senator, "don't get mixed up with the Government service. Nothing to do with it. Ruins a young man. Besides, I have promised that position to my "Oh, my boy," responded the oily son.

Interesting Array of Unique Fans



SIMPLE LITTLE FAN HAS ITS MOODS AND NATIONALITY Here is an interesting array of fans, quite timely in hot weather, too. The illustrations (ABOVE) show Miss Virginia Bruce giving different moods and countries, by fans. (1) The demure colonial maid. (2) The tropical straw fan used in southern climes. (3) The Chinese coolie hat, with fan in intricate design. (4) The gay senorita from sunny Spain.

For The Cook

FRESH JAM

This is the moment for taking advantage of the fresh pineapples that are piled high on the fruit stalls—handsome, flavored and cheap. Not only should we be eating them plentifully—a fresh fruit at its best when it has little company—but we should really look ahead to the spare time that will follow our own great fresh fruit harvest—when only the fruits we have "done up" or "done down"—which is it?—reminds us of the glories that have passed. Here is a delicious "jellied jam" to be made with pineapple.

Pineapple Jam

4 cups (2 lbs.) chopped fruit. 7 cups (3 lbs.) sugar. Cup pectin. Use only fully ripened fruit. Put pineapple through food chopper, using finest knife. Measure fruit and juice into large kettle. Add sugar, mix, and bring to a full rolling boil over hottest fire. Stir constantly before and while boiling. Boil hard 1 minute. Remove from fire and stir in pectin. Skim, then stir occasionally for 3 minutes to cool slightly, to prevent floating fruit. Pour quickly. Cover hot jam with film of hot paraffin, when jam is cold, cover with 1/2 inch of hot paraffin. Roll glass to spread paraffin on sides. Requires 2 medium pineapples. Makes 10 to 11 eight-ounce glasses.

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A Morning Smile

"Hello, old man! How you've changed! What's making you look so old?"

"Trying to keep young," was the reply.

"Trying to keep young?"

"Yes—mine of them," was the gloomy response.

What the Fashionables are Wearing

Illustrated Dressmaking Lesson Furnished With Every Pattern

By Annabelle Worthington

If you want to make a darling splash of colour in a simple sports type—here's your model.

It's cotton to be certain, for it is as smart as paint this season. It has a linen finish. The ground is white with orange-red motifs. The decorative buttons of the raglan shoulders and the belt buckle tone with the red shade.

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PROVED BY MATHEMATICS

"Arithmetic is a science of truth," said the professor, earnestly. "Figures can't lie. For instance, if one man can build a house in twelve days, twelve men can build it in one."

"Yes," interrupted a quick-brained student. "Then 288 will build it in one hour, 17,280 in one minute, and 1,036,800 in one second. And I don't believe they could lay one brick in the time!"

While the professor was still gasping the smart "ready-reckoner" went on:

"Again, if one ship can cross the Atlantic in six days, six ships can cross it in one day. I don't believe that, either; so where's the truth in arithmetic?"

Then he sat down.

ALMOST FLAT ON HER BACK

Aching back! Will it never stop? She's nearly desperate. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has relieved "feminine troubles" for over 50 years.

Serve Crisp Cookies With Fresh Fruits

Give Flavor to Light Foods During Hot Summer Days

When Summer brings her luxury of fresh, appetizing fruits, the housekeeper must plan careful accompaniments to the desserts. Crisp cookies, flavoured and light, add just the right note.

The housewife who is also a real home manager chooses the type of cookie that is quickly cooked so that she does not overheat her house and herself—both conditions that spoil any Summer day.

To accompany any Summer fruits and satisfy masculine appetites are old-fashioned sugar cookies. They keep crisp for a long period and may be made any day the oven is being heated to 500 degrees. This recipe makes 4 dozen cookies:

Old-Fashioned Sugar Cookies

- 5 cups sifted cake flour
5 teaspoons baking powder
1-2 teaspoon salt
1 cup butter or other shortening
2 1-4 cups sugar
4 eggs, unbeaten
1-3 cup milk.

Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift together three times. Cream shortening thoroughly, add sugar gradually and cream together until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add flour, alternately with milk a small amount at a time, mixing after each addition until smooth. Roll 1-8 inch thick, cut with large cutter, and sprinkle with sugar; or, press nut into each cookie. Bake in hot oven (500° F) 5 minutes.

As easily and quickly made are delicious Almond Slices. This recipe makes 6 dozen slices. 5 1-2 cups sifted cake flour 1 teaspoon soda 3 eggs, slightly beaten 1-2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed.

1 cup granulated sugar 1 1-2 cups hot melted shortening (part butter if desirable) 1 cup almonds, blanched, toasted and chopped. Sift flour once, measure, add soda,

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BETH: A big box of Lux lasts me more than a month—

ALICE: For heaven's sake—it's real economy then!

BETH: Yes, and it gives your hands beauty care right in the dishpan!

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Lecture Topics: The head master of a school recently put up a notice that on an early date he would lecture on the following subject: "Our Eyes, and How We See Through Them."

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and sift again. Combine remaining ingredients in order given, then add flour, mixing well. Pack tightly in paper-lined pan. Chill overnight. Remove loaf from pan; cut in half and slice crosswise in thin slices. Place on greased baking sheet and bake in hot oven (425° F) 5 minutes.

standing so much windy weather. Lobsters were plentiful, especially in the early part of the season.

Mrs. (Capt.) Nelson has as her welcome guest Mrs. Cephias Van-Iderstine of Charlottetown.

Mr. Malcolm MacRae has built a very artistic log cabin. Situated as it is under a silver maple, rose hedges all around, fragrant with the aroma of pine and hemlock and commanding such a fine view of the beautiful bay it should be a very attractive place for the tired business man or woman to spend a vacation.—F.

Rev. Mr. Elliot who was inducted in charge of the Pownal Circuit last Thursday evening preached his first sermon on Sunday evening July 3rd to a large and appreciative congregation.

The Baptist convention was held at Hazelbrook this year. Commencing on Thursday evening and ending on Sunday evening July 3rd all meetings were well attended.

Capt. Wittig preached most acceptably to good congregations on Sunday July 3rd morning and evening at Christ Church, Cherry Valley.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mutch are sorry to learn of the illness of their winsome little daughter Estelle, and hope for her speedy recovery.

The lobster fishermen have had a very successful season notwithstanding

Early Venetian mirror-makers were severely penalized for revealing the secrets of their trade.

Advertisement for Christie's Arrowroots. Includes text: "Pure! No substitute can be good enough. Christie's Arrowroots. Your Mother's Mother gave her children 'Christie's' Arrowroots, Canada's original Arrowroot Biscuits, baked in Canada by Christie's since 1853. There is nothing better for your children."

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