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A Morning Smile

A little while ago Dean Inge gave a young lady of his acquaintance a very bad quarter of an hour, albeit unwittingly. On her wedding day he sent her a telegram which, as received, tersely ran: "John, IV., 18." On looking up the text she was horrified to read: "For thou hast had five husbands. And he whom thou now hast is not thy husband." After they had restored the young woman to consciousness, inquiry was made at the telegraph office and it was found that the operator had omitted the letter or numeral indicating the first epistle, John I, IV., 18, reads: "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth our fear."

Lessons in English

WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Do not say, "She is more learned than him." Say "than he" (is learned.) OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: disinterested; accent after the n, not after the second s. OFTEN MISSPELLED: scrimmage; double m. SYNONYMS: act, accomplishment, achievement, deed, exploit, feat, transaction, performance. WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Today's word: TRIBUTE; a contribution of any kind, as of praise, service, etc. "It was a beautiful tribute to her memory" Czechoslovakia is producing 50 per cent more shoes than it did a year ago. In a recent month savings deposits in leading banks of Austria increased by \$2,300,000.

The Daily Argument

AUNT HET "I reckon I'm narrow, but when I give money to the preacher I hate to see his smart-Aleck boy spendin' it on flappers." POOR PA By Claude Callan "Jenny says her husband never kissed her until after they was married, an' I guess she fusses at him so much now because she still feels hurt about it."

Mrs. Sam Speers Tells How Cuticura Healed Her Baby

"When baby was three days old he started to break out with eczema. It began with very small pimples which later festered and broke and then scalded over. When he was twelve days old he was almost entirely covered with eruptions. The affected parts seemed to itch and burn so that I had to keep mittens on his hands to prevent him scratching his face. My mother advised me to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment. He seemed to get relief after the first treatment, and in two months he was completely healed." (Signed) Mrs. Sam Speers, Innisfree, Alberta. Cuticura Soap, a world-famous aid to beauty, cleanses and purifies the skin and hair, restoring them to their natural, fresh and wholesome beauty. Its daily use maintains them in a delightfully healthy condition.

Dorothy Dix Letter Box

That Expensive Crop of Wild Oats—What Are a Woman's Privileges?—"Who is This Dorothy Dix?" Cry Some Doubting Readers

Dear Dorothy Dix—We are a couple of college sheiks who are busy sowing our wild-oat crop. We stay out nights. We go on wild parties with wild women and raise Cain generally. But sometimes we wonder if this is leading us to a manhood in the real sense of the world. Last night we had an argument about it with some other collegians, and they contended that we were right, that youth must follow its course, and we must have our fling while the blood runs hot in our veins. What do you say?



ALPHA AND BETA. Answer: I often wish that some philanthropist would endow a chair of Moral Agriculture in our colleges that would teach young men the cost of raising a wild-oat crop, and prove to them by facts and figures that it is a disastrous business that will almost surely land them in bankruptcy for life.

For the trouble with boys is that they are too young to have found out that when we dance we always have to pay the piper. They think that they can have a wild time and go the pace that kills, and when they get tired of racketeering that they can cut in all out and settle down, and that will be all there is about it. The past will be past, and they can go on with the future. They think they can plant thistles and gather figs, and that the wild-oat crop they have sown will never come up to bother them.

Never was there a greater mistake. Never was there a more erroneous belief than that while the woman who sins must pay for her wrong doings, the man who sins goes scot free. He also must pay, and pay, and pay.

Let's count up the cost of the wild-oat crop you are sowing and see if it is worth what you are paying for it. You are spending your nights in crap. That means you are neglecting your studies. You are throwing away your opportunities for a good education, and that is something you will pay for for the balance of your life.

You have the opportunity to acquire culture that will give you poise, and charm of manner, and make you not only an interesting companion for everybody else, but for yourself. You have the opportunity of storing up information that will serve you at every turn, no matter what business or profession you elect to follow. You are given the opportunity of developing your mind so that you can get the very most out of whatever brain power God gave you.

But you are not doing it. You are letting your chances for an education slide by. You are loafing through college, and you will pay for it by being hampered by your ignorance, and by having formed habits of idleness that will take you years and years to break, if you ever do. Pretty steep price for a few good times, isn't it? You are drinking too much. Most of the seed of the wild-oat crop is kept in a bottle. You don't mean to be a drunkard. No man starts out with that intention, and you intend to cut out drink after a while. Perhaps you will.

To your dying day, however, and that will be twenty or thirty years sooner than it should be, you will be paying for the things that the vile, raw liquor, that is all that any college boy can buy now, has done to your stomach and nerves. Dyspepsia, diabetes, Bright's disease, frazzled nerves, that is the price tag on drinking when you are young.

And the wild women with whom you go on wild parties. They are the most costly item in all the wild-oats bill of expenses. Don't delude yourself into thinking that getting parties are cheap. Don't fool yourself into believing that when you get tired of Mamie and Sadie you can kiss them good-by and ride away. Far from it. They will hang on as long as you have a dollar in your pocket.

Or if you have the misfortune to have a rich father, one of them will marry you when you are half drunk and full of alcoholic sentiment, and you will find yourself tied to a wife for whom you have neither affection nor respect. Or you will be made defendant in a disgraceful breach of promise suit. Or blackmailed.

Every day you read in the paper about some young fool at college who has been married to some woman old enough to be his mother while they were out on a wild party. Or of some boy whose parents are trying to buy off a gold-digger who has got her clutches upon him. Or of some man who has been shot and killed by some woman he was trying to get rid of. Every day you see on the street men who should be at the height of their vigor in mind and body who are prematurely senile. Men shaking with Saint Vitus dance, rheumatic, hobbling along on their canes and dragging their feet an inch at a time, who are paying for the wild-oat crop they sowed in their youth.

Believe me, son, the most inexorable law in all nature is that as we sow, we reap. Figure it out for yourself and see whether you are going to want to harvest the crop you are planting when you are spending your time at college running around at nights, and drinking and going on wild parties with wild women. DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Miss Dix—Do you think women have too many privileges? ANXIOUSLY WAITING.

Answer: If women have any privileges, I don't know what they are.

I have heard people speak of women having the privilege of voting, but that is merely their right, since they live in a country that grants the franchise to all of its citizens. I have heard people speak of women now having the privilege of following any gainful occupation they choose, but certainly it seems to me that women have a right to earn an honest living. I have heard people speak of it as a privilege that women are able to travel alone, and go to places of amusement alone, and, if they inherited money, to have control of their own fortunes. But surely these are nothing but mere human rights.

So what special privileges have women? They are amenable to the laws as men are. They have to give as good work, or better, than men do to hold down a job. Mrs. Grundy deals twice as hard with them as she does with men when they step aside from the straight and narrow path, and they haven't the privilege of picking out their own husbands.

So what are women's privileges? DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Dorothy Dix—We have had an argument about you. Some say there is no Dorothy Dix. That it is just a name. Some say you are a man. Some say that you make up the letters that you answer. Please settle this dispute. SIX DAILY READERS.

Answer: I assure you that Dorothy Dix is a real person, just as your own mother or grandmother, and although I am frequently accused of being a man—I get many letters beginning "Dear Sir or Madam"—I am most emphatically a woman, first, last and all the time.

How anybody ever imagines otherwise passes comprehension, for in all

FOR THE WOMAN READER BY FLORENCE RIDDICK BOYS

MY WISH "A little health, a little wealth. A little house and freedom. With some few friends for certain ends. But little cause to need 'em."

BRUSHING CRUMBS If several courses are served at a meal, the crumbs are not brushed from the table until just before the dessert course. They are then brushed from each place by a folded napkin, onto a plate which is held just under the edge of the table.

COVER THE CUT END A lemon, orange or grapefruit exposed to the air will lose its fine fresh flavor. To keep the cut fruit, press a piece of waxed paper firmly over the cut end. A cut cabbage head lettuce, onion or cucumber will keep better if treated in the same way. Save the bread wrappers and keep them in a place convenient for such uses.

ESCALLOPED CELERY Cook one pint of chopped celery in boiling water until tender. Pour over it a white sauce made with milk, thickened with flour and seasoned with butter, salt and paprika. Beat two eggs, add to them two tablespoons of grated cheese, and fold into the mixture. Bake a half hour in a baking dish set in a pan of hot water; or bake until it sets, as a custard.

WASHABLE GLOVES Washable suedes and leathers are the latest thing in gloves. Gloves are being worn more commonly than formerly. Once they were a badge of aristocracy. Now everybody's doing it. Gloves not only protect the hands from the elements and give a look of gentility; but they protect the hands from picking up all kinds of germs in public places. They help to keep the hands clean. But the gloves must themselves be kept clean or they will soon become uncleanly and will impart their soil to the hands.

FASHIONS, FADS, FOIBLES Bobs are just as charming as ever, but there are not so many of them. We are striving now for "sweet dignity."

Resolve that this shall be one of your best years so far. Swing out into a bigger and more useful circle. Take stock of your abilities, of your tastes, of the needs which appear in your environment, and decide upon a useful plan of action for your future. There is no need to make it too strenuous at first. As you become deeper involved, the temptation will be to allow it to become constantly more strenuous.

As for the letters, I give you my word of honor that every letter that is published in this column is a real letter, written by some man or woman out of his or her own need or perplexity.

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A Fashion a Day



YOUTHFUL APPEARANCE

Start the day right by appearing in a dainty house dress to enhance your beauty and charm, for there isn't anything that shows good taste more than attractive morning frocks. Style No. 897 is decidedly youthful with pressed plaits topped by patch pockets, with slightly bloused feeling above created by belt which slips through slashed opening and ties at back. Washable silk rayon in violet shade piped in purple, printed sateen in Nile green or jersey in soft beige shade is suggested. It is so easily made! Pattern comes in sizes 16, 18, 20 years, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure. Size 36 requires 2 1/2 yards of 40-inch material with 3/4 yard of 36-inch contrasting and 6 yards of binding. Price 15 cents in stamps or coin (coin preferred). Wrap coin carefully.

Weight and Age Dear Miss Leeds—Has age anything to do with one's weight? I am 5 feet 1 inch tall, 14 years old and weigh 100 pounds. Is this correct? QUESTIONABLE.

Answer—Yes, indeed, age and weight are related. You are four pounds below the average weight for your age and height. If you were 18 years old and 5 feet 1 inch tall your correct weight would be about 111 pounds. As one grows older one's weight should increase until body is fully mature, even when the height remains the same.

Weak Feet and Moccasins Dear Miss Leeds—Does wearing moccasins help weak arches? It seems as though the feet would get more exercise in moccasins than in ordinary shoes. ANXIOUS.

Answer—There are so many degrees of weak feet that their treatment should be undertaken by a competent foot specialist after a careful examination. In some cases shoes with a certain amount of stiffness at the arches (as well as normal feet) need a flexible arch. In general I should say that wearing moccasins may be advocated in some cases part of the time. The right sort of corrective footwear will, however, permit the feet to get enough exercise in walking. Special exercises done with bare feet may also be required. We wear heels on our shoes because the heels break the shock of coming down on hard floors and pavements; heel-less moccasins would not be suitable for general wear under modern conditions. Another drawback to wearing moccasins is that they usually do not fit snugly at the heel.

Mrs. SOLOMON SAYS: Cold facts frequently bring hot denials. SMILES "How is your son making it in college?" "He's not making it. I'm making it; he's spending it." "How did you find the woman in Paris?" "You don't have to find them, there out looking for you."

Milady Beautiful



BEAUTY QUESTIONS ANSWERED

DEAR MISS LEEDS—(1) Is it true that if you remove hairs from the legs they will grow in on the face or elsewhere? I want to remove my superfluous hairs with a liquid or paste, but one of my chums told me not to because they would grow on elsewhere. Does it cost much to have them removed by electricity? (2) I am 16 years old, 5 feet 3 1/2 inches tall and weigh 105 pounds. Am I underweight? (3) Last year I had one of my teeth filled and now the food creeps into it and makes a dark ring that I cannot brush out. What shall I do? R. G.

Answer—(1) This is a myth, my dear; do not believe it for a moment. After the hairs have been removed by a depilatory they will, of course, come in again in time, but it is not very much trouble to take them off now and then. They will certainly not reappear on your face! Electricity is not usually used to clear large areas of skin because it is a tedious process. The electric needle must be inserted into each tiny hair root. When the multiple needle is used the process is speeded up, but the results are not likely to be so satisfactory. I think it would be fairly expensive for you to have both legs freed from the hairs and would require many visits to the operator. The use of a good depilatory is more practical in your case, I think. (2) The average weight for your age and height is between 117 and 120 pounds. (3) You should consult the dentist again about the filling. Evidently it has become rough at the edges so that it catches the food particles. It is very important that you should be able to remove all the food with your toothbrush every day. Explain your difficulty to the dentist and he will remedy it, I am sure.

LOIS LEEDS.

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What Will you do



When your Children Cry for It

There is hardly a household that hasn't heard of Castoria! At least five million homes are never without it. If there are children in your family, there's almost daily need of its comfort. And any night may find you very thankful there's a bottle in the house. Just a few drops, and that colic or constipation is relieved; or diarrhea checked. A vegetable product; a baby remedy meant for young folks. Castoria is about the only thing you have ever heard doctors advise giving to infants. Stronger medicines are dangerous to a tiny baby, however harmless they may be to grown-ups. Good old Castoria! Remember this name, and remember to buy it. It may spare you sleepless, anxious night. It is always ready, always safe to use; in emergencies, or for everyday ailments. Any hour of the day or night that baby becomes fretful, or restless, Castoria is never more popular with mothers than it is today. Every druggist has it.



thus permitting the heel of the foot to slip and turn. If your arches are weak, consult an orthopedic surgeon and get his advice on the type of shoes you should wear. LOIS LEEDS.

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Keep Your Baby Happy And Well

Every mother wishes her child to be bright-eyed, rosy-cheeked boys and girls. No mother, though, can expect her children to escape all the ills of babyhood and childhood, but she can do much to help them fight the battle for health. All prudent mothers constantly keep at hand the means of aiding their little ones when sickness comes suddenly—as it generally does in the case of children. In every home where there are infants and young children Baby's Own Tablets should be found. Read what Mrs. Mary Hill, Centre Dummer, Ont., says concerning these Tablets—"I am the mother of six children and would not be without Baby's Own Tablets. They are a wonderful medicine for little ones." Baby's Own Tablets are a mild but thorough laxative which regulate the bowels and sweeten the stomach and thus break up colds and simple fever, banish constipation and indigestion and allay the irritation accompanying the cutting of teeth. They are absolutely safe and are pleasant to take. The Tablets are sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

REGAL FLOUR You may depend on it always-as being by long odds, the best.