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Just What Is Value Of Children?

## Dorothy Dix

No One Can Fix Price On Babies

### "Children Preferred" is One of the Best Investments You Can Find in Any Market—As a Rule They Pay Big Dividends in Happiness Late in Life

So much has been said about bonuses being paid for babies in several Continental countries that it has moved a correspondent to ask me what I think of children as an investment, and if they pay big enough dividends in happiness to their parents to make them worth all of the suffering and anxiety and work and worry they cost.



Well, there is no denying that children are more or less of a gamble and there is no absolutely certain way of telling how they are going to turn out. No matter how much judgment you use in selecting their mother or father, how carefully you pick out their grandparents nor how hard you labor and mother them, they may be a losing venture that will bankrupt you in heart and purse.

But on the contrary, the fier that you take in an infant that doesn't look worth keeping, may bring you fame and honor and make you rich beyond the dreams of avarice. There is no sure thing in babies any more than there is in the stock market, but for the long pull Children Preferred is a conservative risk that can be recommended.

This is true whether you regard children as slaves or as toys; as topics of conversation or as a preventive of boredom, as an old-age insurance. For on each of these counts children pay 100 per cent on the dollar, hence may be regarded as gilt-edge investments.

That children are easy money to lazy and greedy parents we all know. The scandal of child labor is ever with us. We see conscienceless fathers and mothers feeding their babies to machines and growing fat on the money earned by little hands. And we are all personally acquainted with men and women who knock off and never do another day's labor after their children are old enough to take out their working papers.

They take the thin pay envelope of frail girls and boys and live upon their earnings. It doesn't take an expert accountant to figure out the percentage of profit there is in children who have to support their fathers and mothers for forty years in return to the ten or fifteen years of food and clothing they received.

As a topic of conversation children are worth their weight in gold. Half the middle-aged men and women in the world would be dumb if heaven had not mercifully provided them with an exhaustless theme upon which to discourse in their offspring. As long as they can tell about the baby cutting a tooth or repeat little Johnny's witticisms or boast of the number of dates that Mary has had they have all the equipment for being monologues and never know a silent moment.

The amusement value of children has never been properly estimated in taking into consideration their worth as investments. Of course, there are people who do not care to play with children, just as there are those who do not care for golf or poker or ping-pong, but for those who crave genuine excitement and clean fun and unexpected wit and turns of thought there is nothing so fascinating as a little child. He can give you a run for your money every time and put on a show that is never repeated.

Children are priceless because they are the only never failing guarantee against boredom. As we grow older we lose interest in ourselves. We know we have shot our mark and there is nothing much that is exciting that we will do. We have to borrow our enthusiasms, and unless we have children we are left as flat as spent balloons.

But if we have children we live our lives over again in them. We pin our hopes on them, and we are prouder of our sons who are making marks in college and of our daughters who are beautiful and talented than we ever were of anything that we achieved. If you want to know whether children are worth while or not, watch a father when his son is making a touchdown in a football game, or a mother when her daughter is the belle of the ball.

And, finally, children are the best old-age insurance that men and women can take out in their youth. Look about you and you will hardly see a home in which there is not an old father or an old mother being cared for by a son or daughter. It is a rare thing when children do not want to support their parents, but also give them the love and tenderness without which old age is desolate.

Sometimes, of course, children rate as an investment along with Wildcat Preferred, but often the rare Government bonds. Don't wait too long to get in the market.

DOROTHY DIX.

## Honeymoon Mountain

By Frances Shelley Wees

(Continued)

Grandmother, to Deborah's intense surprise, was already up. Almost before Deborah had told a maid that they were ready for their breakfast, Pilar came down smooth dark head and her bag in her gloved hand. "I find that I must go back at once to San Francisco, Mrs. Larned. I'm terribly sorry to go. Good-by," she said firmly.

"I can't think of it," Grandmother protested. You must have breakfast. She turned to the maid. Joan, tell the cook that we want a tray of coffee and toast as quickly as it can be prepared.

Pilar glanced at her watch. Oh, very well, she said, a little ungraciously. I'm anxious to get home by night, she explained.

Tubby was the last one down. Well, he said jovially, here we are, eh? What've you got your hat on for, Pilar? You're not leaving us, surely?

Pilar gave him a disdainful glance. I suppose you'll be heart-broken. Well, you know how it is, Tubby said cheerfully.

The group had just moved out to the veranda when there came the roar of a laboring small engine from the road at the left.

A small battered roadster turned in at the gate. With a splash and clatter of gravel it came to a stop. Deborah's heart dropped like lead at the sight of the driver.

As the car stopped, Bryn rose, walked down the steps and stopped. His eyes met the triumphant eyes of the man driving the other car.

For a moment, Bryn and Graham stood facing each other, Graham half out of his car. Then, without a word, perfectly calm, Bryn turned toward the veranda.

Deborah lifted her eyes and met Bryn's in helpless anguish. Bryn was smiling at her, a steady, warm, comforting smile that seemed to tell her that everything was all right, at she had nothing to fear. She could not understand. He came up the steps and stood beside Grandmother's chair. Tubby and Simon were standing helpless on the grass. Sally and Madeline had retreated to the doorway, and stood there, hand in hand, watching Grandmother, too. And Pilar, still and unmoving, sat in her chair behind the vines.

Stuart Graham, with that black smile of his, came across the grass from the driveway. He swung his shoulders confidently, and Deborah would not have been surprised if he had said something to her. He faced Grandmother. He bowed to her.

Good-morning, he said brightly. Grandmother inclined her head. Good-morning she replied.

You are Mr. Larned, he stated. I think you will have heard of me, and from me. My name is Graham.

Indeed Grandmother murmured, entirely calm. Her pulse beat was swift, but steady.

Stiffened at Grandmother's indeed, Stuart Graham, he repeated distinctly. From Boston.

Grandmother inclined her head. How do you do, she said coolly, with perfect self-possession, perfectly unmoved. I knew your grandparents, I believe. And your father, too. I hope they are quite well?

Say, Graham demanded roughly of Bryn. This isn't Mr. Larned, is it? It's somebody dressed up to look like her. What're you trying to do, put something else over on me.

I am Mrs. Larned, Grandmother said quietly. You are Stuart Graham. I quite understand. Is there something I can do for you? Your father, as I remember him, was a gentleman, and he was our friend. Can I help you in any way for his sake?

You are Mrs. Larned? he asked, incredulously. You are Mrs. Larned, and you sit there as calm as ice when I tell you that I am Stuart Graham, and that this... he indicated Bryn contemptuously, that this fellow is nothing more than an imposter, a man who's been taking advantage of you, who's married your granddaughter without your consent?

This is all you have to say to me? Grandmother asked. Nothing that you have said seems to me particularly interesting, or of any importance. I understand. And what, then?

Graham stood foolishly for a moment, regarding her with disbelieving eyes. Then this is a fine kettle of fish, he said. Your husband took every precaution to see that Deborah and I should marry each other, and without any compunction whatever you let her marry another man. What about me? I've been banking on marrying her all my life!

I am sure that banking is a very well chosen word, Grandmother commented.

He flushed darkly. That's all very well, suppose you realize that she doesn't get the money, now that she's married this smart guy who's got you wound around his finger? I suppose you can afford to snap your fingers at that, at deliberately throwing away everything you family ever had?

Mr. Graham, I cannot think that this is any of your affair, said Grandmother, quietly. I am sorry, but I cannot possibly see why you

## A Morning Smile

The doctor met Mrs. Brown in the street. "And how is your husband sleeping, now, Mrs. Brown?" he asked. "Did you give him the sleeping draught?" "Yes, sir," she replied. "You told me to give him the amount I could get on a small nickel, but as I hadn't any silver I used five pennies and he's been fast asleep for five days."

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### WHY READ A BOOK?

Why read a book when there are birds, Printing clear the breezy words Upon the clouds' white pages? When A busy robin and a wren Are syllables of ecstasy? A line of swallows on a tree. Or wire, is a sentence, long And sweeping. A flying flock's a strong Paragraph, while in the air Is quilled elaborately a rare Illumined manuscript in gold And green. And say, what book can hold More fascination and delight Than birds in migratory flight? —Colette M. Burns.

### CENTRE PART

If you have luxurious hair and small, perfectly formed features, try a centre part. If you decided to forget about curls, ringlets and waves until fall, remember that straight effects are not attractive unless hair is gleaming with health. Brush meticulously every night. Get a hair tonic to correct dryness or excessive oil and massage it into scalp according to directions. Wash your comb every day. Don't sit in the hot sun long or often enough to scorch your scalp and make hair dry and lifeless, but do go without a hat whenever possible. After being tucked up under a hat all winter and spring, it needs air and sun.

### IF SMALL CHILDREN'S APPETITES ARE FINICKY

Children often go through a finicky appetite phase between the ages of three and five. Many of them fancy that a time has come when the choice of diet lies with them, and they become fussy accordingly. It is most important that meals should be given at regular hours with no snacks or sweets between.

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### OPEN CROWNS

Open crown turbans are worn in town with suits or dinner dresses.

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## THE COOK'S CORNER

### MAYONNAISE.

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If too much acid is added, the mixture will become too thin. If a cooked dressing is lumpy, it may be caused by careless combining of the ingredients or by lack of stirring while the mixture is cooking. It is wise to strain the mixture after cooking, in any case.

If a cooked dressing curdles, it is usually caused by adding the acid to the milk mixture too quickly, or may result from too long cooking of the mixture after the eggs have been added.

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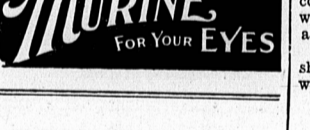
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FRIDAY, JUNE 4  
PARIS  
9:30 a.m.—"The Young Bride" operetta. TPA—2, 19.6 m., 15.24 meg.

TOKYO  
4:15 p.m.—Variety Program. JZJ, 25.42 m., 11.80 meg.

SANTIAGO, CHILE  
5 p.m.—Dance music. OB615, 24.3 m., 12.30 meg.

ROME  
6 p.m.—News in English; Concert: Rom's Midnight Voice. 2RO, 31.1 m., 9.63 meg.

BOSTON  
6:15 p.m.—Listener's Mail Bag. WIXAL, 49.6 m., 6.04 meg.

LONDON  
7 p.m.—"Responsibilities of Empire," a talk by David Lloyd George. GSP, 19.6 m., 15.31 meg.; GSO, 19.7 m., 15.18 meg.; GSD, 25.5 m., 11.75 meg.; GSB, 31.5 m., 9.91 meg.

LONDON  
9 p.m.—Scenes from "As You Like It." GSI, 19.6 m., 15.26 meg.; GSF, 19.8 m., 15.14 meg.; GSD, 25.5 m., 11.75 meg.; GSC, 31.3 m., 9.58 meg.

BERLIN  
10:15 p.m.—Eritz Fuhmelster. Spring Days. DJD, 25.4 m., 11.77 meg.

PITTSBURGH  
11:30 p.m.—DX Club. W8XK, 48.8 m., .14 meg.  
LYNDHURST, AUSTRALIA  
4:40 a.m. (Saturday)—National Program VK3LR, 31.3 m., 9.58 meg.

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## All Eyes Should Be Examined

No authority claims that an eye service will cause ALL eyes to be normally. But they all recognize that no other means can the desired results be secured, and they assert that the ideal plan would be to have every pair of eyes undergo an examination.

You would be wise to agree with them.

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