

# Woman's Realm/Social and Personal/Fashions/Literature

## DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

### Drudging Dad

#### Martyr To Family's Comfort Deserves More Appreciation

DOROTHY DIX: My father has an office at home as well as at his place of business. He works every night. I am a girl of 19 and desire to have my friends come to see me, but I hate to ask them on this account. I know they would not want to come to see me and sit in the living room and watch my father work in his office and hear the click of his typewriter. There is one boy that I like very much who wonders why I treat him so cold, but I feel I can't ask him to the house and I don't want to suggest going out to my date. Don't you think a father should consider his daughter a little bit, and when she has company stop working a while for her sake?

ANXIOUS

ANSWER: What about the daughter considering her father a little bit and trying to realize that the reason he works nights at home is because he is trying to provide a home for her and keep her safe and snug?

Lots of young people look upon their fathers as nothing but money-making machines who are geared to perpetual action and who keep on going through the motion of toiling because they are built that way and can't stop. I have heard them sneer at father because he had got to be almost an automaton that vibrated between the house and the office and because he never took a vacation or went to a ball game or did anything but work. I have seen them ashamed of father because he got stoop-shouldered and went shabby and was out of the picture with the balance of the smartly dressed family.

I have wondered at the lack of intelligence, heart and imagination that these young sons and daughters showed, in never realizing that father was a hero and a martyr who offered himself up as a sacrifice on the altar of his home, for his unappreciative wife and children who never even knew how grand a figure he was.

Father is just as human as the balance of us. He doesn't slave like a dray horse because he has some peculiar complex that makes him prefer work to play and a stuffy office to sunshine. He would love to go fishing in the spring. He would love to travel and see the world. But he sticks to his job winter and summer, day in and day out. He often works at night so that his wife and children may have the pleasures that he denies himself.

Anyway, my poor little girl, you are supersensitive to feel that your father's working at home is any disgrace and that your friends would care a rap about that one way or the other. As far as your boy friend is concerned, he would admire it rather than criticize it. It would indicate to him that if he had that industrious a father-in-law, he would probably never have to support his wife's family. So don't be silly and make a mountain out of a typewriter.

DOROTHY DIX

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: Do you think a man appreciates anything he gets for nothing, even real love? I helped my husband through college. As his business has been poor I have paid all household expenses. I am a good housekeeper and cook and have kept an attractive home. I am good-looking, although I am ten years older than he. For no reason at all he has left me, although I have done everything in the world for him. I still love him dearly. What shall I do?

B. G. T.

ANSWER: There is nothing you can do but let him go. You cannot force a man to live with you against his will.

I don't think men value the things that come to them too easily, nor do I think that they are often grateful to the wives who give them too much either of love or money. A man wants to be the lover rather than the loved.

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## Ellen's Diary

By an Island Farmer's Wife

The sleek cows that Pat, good friend of ours, once drove at morning to pasture, dropping peeled bars to let them step one after another in orderly file from road-way to meadow, browsed in a field beyond the hilltop today. And catching the picturesque sight, they limned as though painted against the dark of the maple grove close by, and taking note as well of a cloud of dust left at the moment by a passing motorist on this road of ours, thoughts of Pat came to mind. What niches and nooks we have of our own—strange lovely places in which to store memories, unfading, of these friends of ours! And perhaps as we chance to look from a window, or even as we sit at our mending or as we mix so lovingly a baking as a cake for our ducklings in the quiet of the pantry, old scenes and charming, return to our thoughts.

Perhaps there are those who would not consider the chance meeting of Pat's and ours on this road of ours at all charming, but there again to a casual onlooker appearances can be misleading. Greying heads are no indication of ageing hearts! The evening itself was delightful—the hot Summer day that had been, was giving way to the welcome and invigorating coolness which invariably comes with the dew-fall to bless the warmest Island day.

The afterglow still bathed the western windows and lingered quietly over the surrounding countryside. So peaceful, it was then, and beautiful. And Pat was on his way to his church at the time, intending to spend the night with friends, and we must come to a bit of shopping at the corner-store, for tea it was, "for Sunday." And we had met, and stopped to chat. He must know "Shure now an' what were they at today?" And we ourselves would be asking of his work and his health and when he planned to return. And as we chatted, a strange car approached at a speed which made us instinctively draw to the limit of the roadside and left us only a bad memory of rushing wind and a cloud of dust that for a moment was blinding.

"An' did you ever before see worse than that?" Pat exclaimed in amazement—a wonder which held pity as well. "Who but a child or a fool—shure an' it's not a nice word to be sayin' an' we'll give any child the credit of havin' more brains!—would be after drivin' lak that? Templin' Providence, I would call that, takin' his own life lightly an' them that's simple enough to be ridin' with him. An' what av them they meet or pass on the road—shure an' that kind don't stay behind another car too long? Let as much as a bolt drop out of place—an' where are they all? Crippled perhaps for life or landed into eternity! Faith, an' isn't it awful to think av! Ah me, it's sorry that I am to see the lak av that. There's hardly a day goes over our heads—now is there? but what we've hearin' or readin' av traffic accidents. Drivin' entirely too fast, that's what they're doin'. An' why? Shure an' there's no need av such haste in this world, now is there? Except for a doctor or clergyman, a nurse or an ambulance, on occasion. But there they go, fast an' faster, courtin' bad luck an' for why, we don't know, an' Pat twinkled, "narythin' do they themselves!"

## Modern Etiquette

By Robert Lee

Q. When wearing an evening gown, should a woman wear gloves during the entire evening?

A. This is optional. She may remove them and check them with her coat if she prefers.

Q. What is the correct way to serve bread and butter at a luncheon?

A. Use small bread and butter plates, with small knives.

Q. Whom should a bridegroom choose as his best man?

A. He may choose his closest friend, his brother, or a brother of the bride.

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Indeed Pat's words came to mind more than once recently, when we holidayed beside the busy highway where traffic appeared to know no rest—and the odd car and other machine moved so fast as to strike terror into the heart of the beholder of the sight. And again we recalled them when we read of tragic accidents, bringing with them as these will, an aftermath of mourning and regrets, to many a one.

And how would we a farmer's wife make our highways safer thoroughfares for that who would travel thereon? By depriving all incompetent drivers of the right to drive a machine; by teaching children, and older folk as well, to observe the rules of traffic when

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## That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M. D.

### DIGESTIVE DISTURBANCES AS OR PAST MAY BE CANCER

A patient consulted his physician about a pain in his hip. As it was definitely localized the physician prescribed acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin) and then asked the patient if he had another pains. He reported a "light" feeling across his stomach.

Examination revealed a mass under the physician's hands which was so large that the consulting surgeon said it was too late to operate or open up the abdomen for examination. The patient died a few weeks later. The pain in the hip was caused by a "second" growth from the stomach carried there by the circulation. The patient was 51.

When there is usually some pain in cancer of the stomach, it may be so slight as to go unnoticed until it is too late to operate. Because stomach cancer can develop "quietly" with little or no symptoms, physicians are now urging all patients past 35 years of age with digestive complaints to have an X-ray examination to see if a tumor is present.

In the "Indiana State Medical Association Journal" (Indianapolis), Dr. G. E. Gates while urging X-ray examinations gives some startling facts which throws blame on patients and physicians for delay in getting treatment for cancer of the stomach until it is too late.

The average duration of symptoms before a visit to a physician is 6 months. The average time for the first visit before it is definitely known that cancer is present, is found to be nearly another six months. If when the patient first consults his physician, arrangements were made for an X-ray examination there would be more chance of saving life. To be fair to the physician it must be admitted that ordering an X-ray examination before stomach tests, food tests and other methods of examination have been made gives the patient the feeling that cancer is "the most common complaint is that of a vague discomfort or distines with loss of appetite and tress in region of stomach some first consults his physician, arrangements were made for an X-ray examination before stomach tests, food tests and other methods of examination have been made gives the patient the feeling that cancer is

### CANCER: ITS SYMPTOMS AND TREATMENT

We should never forget that cancer is curable if discovered early. Send today for Dr. Barton's informative booklet entitled "Cancer: Its Symptoms and Treatment." To obtain it, just send a stamped envelope to cover cost of handling and mailing, to The Bell Syndicate, in care of this newspaper, Post Office Box 98, Station G, New York 19, N. Y., and ask for your copy.

### Morning Smile

"I've come to mend the tap you wrote about," said the plumber to the woman who answered the door. "But we didn't send for you," said the woman.

"You're Mrs. Green?"

"No, Mrs. Green left here three months ago before I moved in."

"Would you believe it, Bill? Fancy sending for us to do a job and then movin'!"

### DIDN'T KNOW

She: "I was a fool when I married you."

He: "Well, don't blame me. I didn't know at the time."

### The Stars Say--

By Genevieve Kamble

For Saturday, July 30

A SUDDEN and quite unforeseen turn of events, may prove exciting and breath-taking significance, pushing aside for the moment, all plans and objectives, until an imperative sweep of the tide restores the status quo. Fortunately, this is to materialize as suddenly as the debacle, providing the situation be not enlarged or exaggerated by rash, tempestuous or erratic moves. There is sign of benign-intervention, to be managed with intelligence as well as tact, finesse and strategies well studied and graciously applied.

For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is, may anticipate a particularly exciting, spectacular and dynamic year, in which sudden reversals or strange developments may be devastating, at least for the time being. But quite as startling comes an about-face in which surprising aid or opportunity arise to avert lasting catastrophe. This, however, depends upon a well-regulated and shrewd course of action, attracting assistance from high places, which might be placed in jeopardy by headstrong, erratic, wild impulses or flare-up. Maintain composure, use ingenuity and skill, get the far vision, for thrilling developments. Intimate affairs have kindred adventures, curious aspects.

A child born on this day, while impetuous, fervent, and prone to jump the hurdles, yet has fine talents and abilities, winning friends and substantial support.

## How Well Do You Know Your Island?

By Uncle Joe

The following information has to do with the Postal Department, and for part of these data the writer is indebted to Mr. J. J. Connolly, Postmaster at Charlottetown.

There are 78 accounting and 29 non-accounting offices scattered over the Garden of the Gulf. But only two of these rate the grade of staff post offices, namely: Summerside and Charlottetown. The semi-staff post offices are located at Tignish, Alberton, O'Leary, Kensington, Hunter River, Montague and Souris. The remainder of the offices are run by Postmasters only.

These post offices serve (in addition to the communities in which they are located) a total of 78 rural routes throughout the Island. Emanating from Charlottetown are four railway post offices which carry mails to all parts of the Province as follows:

Charlottetown-Murray Harbor, Charlottetown-Tignish, Charlottetown-Sackville.

The two staff post offices employ a Postmaster together with 8 clerks at Summerside, and a Postmaster and 45 clerks at Charlottetown.

In addition to the above there are many side services such as transporting the mails to and from the railway stations, airports, docks, etc., which employ many persons on a full or part-time basis.

But the Charlottetown post office services do not stop here. It dispatches and receives all mail matter going to and coming from the Magdalen Islands, both by air and steamer; and during the season of closed navigation, mails for the small French islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon are received and dispatched through the main office at Charlottetown.

The Post Office Inspector's office, located in the capital city, has a staff of five employees who handle all mail matter pertaining to this Province and the Magdalen Islands—a pretty big job and one that is efficiently handled goes without saying.

Today when it is so easy and so cheap to send and receive mail matter, we give little thought to our efficient postal system which many other business beings might do well to emulate.

All mail systems are government controlled, and in no business are there fewer errors made.

Let's follow that letter you dropped on the sorting table, in a box near the Revere Hotel, Charlottetown. At a certain hour along comes the faithful mail collector who unlocks the box, stuffs your letter into a weatherproof sack and hurries it off to the main post office.

In scene two, you'll be able to identify your letter, along with others, on the sorting table. All are arranged so that the stamps face one way. The next move is to put it through the cancelling machine. Some letters, however,—let's hope it's not yours—must be placed to one side because it is not properly addressed, or because it lacks the right amount of postage to guarantee its safe arrival to a friend. Watching the sorter at work is not without interest. Standing in front of the racks made, for instance to hold the Summerside mail, a sorter picks up a bundle of letters, and the action so far as the pigeonholes marked with the name of the post office corresponding to the address on the envelopes. Letters addressed to the various routes go into a separate sack to be sorted by the mail clerk on the train.

Employees who sort the city mail must know every home. When the postman arrives to get his "home delivery letters," he goes to the rack which contains the mail for his section of the City, carries it to another rack where it is sorted according to street and numbers. Then he delivers them.

That's only the travel story of your letter and thousands of others. In the busy Pub. Dept., you'll find the Postal Note, Money Order, Registered Letter and Parcel Wickets, etc.

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## How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I remove grease spots from hardwood floors?

A. By first scrubbing the spots with water as hot as can be borne. Then drop ordinary peroxide of hydrogen on the spot. Let dry and, in most cases, the spot will have disappeared.

Q. How can I make hash balls?

A. Mince some corn beef and potatoes very fine. Make into flat cakes and brown on both sides on a buttered griddle. The taste is improved if the potatoes have been boiled with the corn beef.

Q. How can I clean china dishes that are discolored?

A. They can very easily be cleaned with a solution of salt and vinegar.

## Household Scrapbook

By Robert Lee

Polished Furniture

Often there is a smoky appearance to highly polished furniture. This can be removed by washing the furniture with a sponge and tepid water, then dry with a chamois that has been wrung out in cold water.

Whipped Cream Substitute

If there is no whipping cream at hand, a substitute can be made which is just as good as genuine cream. Take unsweetened evaporated milk, chill it, then add sugar and flour.

## Cook's Corner

MAPLE COOKIES

This is a crisp cookie with a butterscotch flavor. Makes 18 cookies.

1 1/2 cups once-sifted pastry flour or 1 1/2 cups once-sifted hard-wheat flour

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

5 tablespoons shortening

2/3 cup brown sugar, lightly packed

1 egg, well beaten

1 teaspoon vanilla

1/2 teaspoon maple flavoring

Measure and sift together twice, the flour, baking powder and salt.

Cream the shortening and gradually blend in the brown sugar; cream well together. Add the well-beaten egg, a little at a time, beating well after each addition. Mix in vanilla and maple flavoring.

Add the dry ingredients to the creamed mixture, about a third at a time, combining well after each addition.

Turn dough, part at a time, onto a lightly floured pastry canvas or baking board and roll to about 1/4-inch thickness. Cut with floured cookie cutter and arrange on greased baking sheets.

Bake in a moderate oven, 350 degrees about 12 minutes.

## Better English

D. C. Williams

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "He seems to have no capacity as a machinist."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "financial"?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Vengeance, venger, ven, triquial.

4. What does the word "languorous" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with ad that means "praise"?

ANSWERS

1. Say, "He seems to have no ability as a machinist." 2. Pronounce a-nan-shal, as in an (not as in fine), and accent second syllable. 3. Vengeance. 4. Producing listless indolence. "To willow from languorous hours, and draw the sting from pain." — Tennyson. 5. Adulation.

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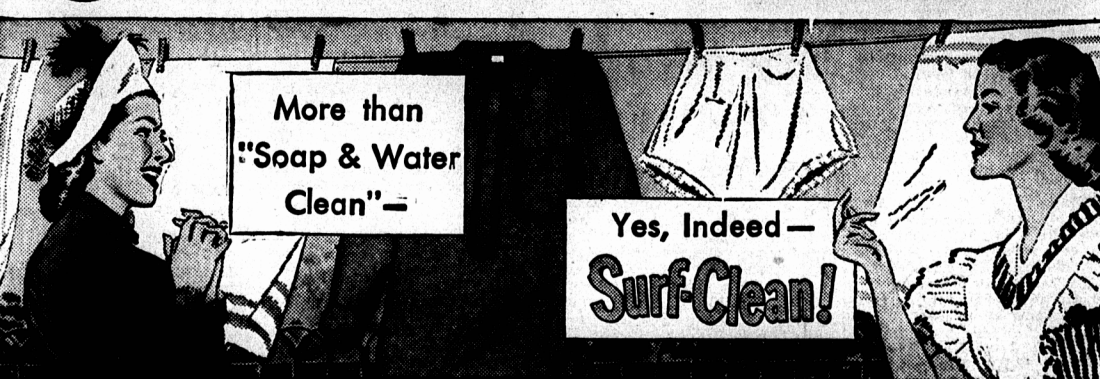
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