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Dorothy Dix Letter Box

How Do Women Catch Their Husbands? Wise Girl Who Refuses Love Without Marriage—How Can a Girl Cure Herself of Self-Consciousness?

Dear Miss Dix—Most women, whether they are pretty or homely, brilliant or dull, get married. To just what do you attribute their success in winning husbands?



Answer: It has been said that there are two secrets that no woman ever tells. One is her age. The other is how she caught her husband.

Why a woman never reveals the secret method by which she got her man, I do not know. Possibly it is a little feminine vanity that causes her to wish to appear as a vamp whose charms no man could resist.

Perhaps she likes to delude herself into believing that her marriage was made in heaven or perhaps she just likes to throw a romantic halo over the whole thing and let it go at that.

But, at any rate, it is true that no woman ever discloses the mystery of her technique or reveals by what subtle means and ways she inveigled her husband to the altar.

Fortunately, however, this is possible, for in love the lookers-on see most of the game and so not infrequently we are able to observe these fishers of men at work and to note their tactics.

The first things that impress us that the successful anglers who almost invariably land their fish use discrimination in the selection of their bait and in picking out the streams in which they fish and that, as a general thing, their catch is surest when they fish in strange waters.

Which is to say that the girl who wants to catch a man dangles before him the charms which he prefers and at which he is most likely to bite. Of course, she makes herself as good looking as nature and the style shops permit.

Then she goes where the fish are plentiful, for she knows that there is no use in throwing a line and praying for luck in waters that have been fished out or from which the fish have fled to other pools.

Then the astute feminine angler knows that for some unfathomable reason that the farther away she gets from home the more apt the fish are to rise to her fly.

Still another way that women catch husbands is by patient pursuit. Virtually any woman can walk down a man if she will just stalk him long enough.

And, of course, women sell themselves to men by feeding them and by flattering them and by listening to them talk about themselves.

Dear Dorothy Dix—I am a business girl and hold a very responsible position in an office where I was thrown in company with a young man about my own age who had been married and whose marriage was not a success.

You are a wise, wise girl and you will never regret the course you are taking. For if the man really cares for you honestly and sincerely he will ask you to marry him and if he does not, it will prove beyond all doubt that his protestations of affection were not bona fide and that he meant to leave you when the novelty wore off and he tired of you.

I have never been able to understand how any girl, and especially a business girl, could be so dumb as not to see that when a man proposed a trial marriage or any sort of illicit relationship to her that it showed on the face of it that he meant it only as a temporary arrangement and that he knew at the time that he had no feeling for her that would last.

As for the morality and the question of a woman's good name and the fact that she forfeits her place in society and the respect of decent people and makes herself damaged goods that few men are willing to take, when she enters into such an arrangement, a man offers a girl a deadly insult just as a woman when he asks her to be a trial-wife or a companionate wife or what have you, because it shows that he takes her for a fool to be willing to give so much and get so little and because it proves that he is so certain in his own mind that he will not want her for long that he is not willing to bind himself to her for life.

Dear Miss Dix—Can you offer me a sure cure for self-consciousness and an inferiority complex? I have both and realize that they are a hindrance to my ever succeeding in anything.

The only cure for self-consciousness is to forget yourself. The self-conscious are morbidly egotistic. Their minds are concentrated on how they look, what people think of them, etc. Quit thinking about the impression you are making on other people and you will get over being self-conscious.

As for the inferiority complex, I doubt that being as much of a drawback as is popularly supposed. The world is so full of conceited people that it is more refreshing to find no one and then some one who doesn't think she knows it all and who isn't waiting around to be admired.

Her Heart Was So Bad Couldn't Do Housework

Mrs. S. Dragoman, R.R. 2, Midland, Ont., writes: "I had been troubled with heart trouble for many years. My heart would beat so fast I could hardly breathe, and I had headaches, and dizzy and fainting spells. I couldn't get my housework done I was so weak. I took three boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills and felt much better, and now I would not be without them in the house."

Price 50c a box

Happenings of the Week

Put the hammer in the locker; Hide the sounding-board likewise; Anyone can be knocker, Anyone can criticize. Cultivate the manner winning. Though it hurts your face to smile And seems awkward in beginning, Be a booster for a while.

The Duchess of York has been busily engaged for some time past with dainty pieces of embroidery intended for presents to her friends. She is exceedingly skillful with her needle, many of the frocks and other garments worn by her two small daughters being specimens of her ability in this direction.

Interesting examples of the skill of the Queen, the Duchess of York, Princess Mary and Princess Arthur of Connaught as needlewomen were on view at an exhibition of work done by the Girl Guides. The Queen sent a sample of crochet work, the Duchess of York a pair of golf stockings with tops in basket stitch.

Mrs. Dalton, wife of the Lieutenant Governor received at Government House on Wednesday afternoon and cordially welcomed her many callers, assisted by Mrs. W. S. Grant. Those attending to the guests in the dining room were Mrs. J. J. Hornby, Mrs. Grant Gregory, Mrs. Mark McGuigan, Mrs. Murray, Miss Dalton.

Dr. Manuel Pedra de la Conchas of Havana and Mr. Antonio Bacardi of Cuba, who spent the weekend in the City, called Sunday afternoon to pay their respects to Premier J. D. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart.

Mrs. W. E. Cotton was hostess at two delightful afternoon Bridges this week entertaining for her friends on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

Mrs. (Dr.) J. S. Jenkins was among the visitors enjoying the winter sports at Lucerne-in-Quebec during the holiday season.

Miss Constance MacArthur of Summerside, was the New Year's guest of her sister, Mrs. Benjamin Rogers, Jr.

Cramps STOP INSTANTLY All Pain Ceases A New Brunswick Lady Has Made a Discovery

"For the last three years I have used Nerviline, and I find it a wonderful medicine. In our home we have used Nerviline for neuralgia, colds, chills and cramps. In each case Nerviline has given wonderful relief. For my children I employ Nerviline for chills, colds, and pain in the stomach. I live in the country, and find Nerviline a necessity to assist in overcoming the many small ills that constantly arise in the family.—Mrs. H. L. Carpenter, Rotheray, N.B.

NERVILINE INSTANT RELIEF

A return to short skirts this spring has been decided on by the London dress designers and manu-

Etiquette

Q. When are wedding announcements posted? A. On the day of the wedding. Q. What should a man do when he escorts a woman to a ball? A. Present her to as many of his men friends as possible. Q. Should a smaller or larger tip than ten per cent be given on such occasions as tea? A. A larger percentage is expected.

Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Brow of Montreal and their guest Miss Nan Brow of New York, spent the New Year at Mirabel the guests of Major and Mrs. F. L. C. Bond.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Black celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on January 2nd and received congratulations from many of their friends.

Last Christmas was a more exciting affair for Princess Elizabeth, elder daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, than any which has gone before. For days before starting out to buy presents the Princess sat pondering over an exercise book, making out a list. She wrote in pencil, and made so many alterations that by the time she had finished the page was almost unrecognizable and had to be copied out afresh.

Mrs. E. A. Foster was among the hostesses entertaining pleasantly this week at Bridge. Caviale de foie gras is disappearing from Mayfair dinner tables and Empire products such as grape fruit or smoked salmon are taking its place. Even the serving of hors d'oeuvres is falling under the ban.

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Mr. John Andrew and Miss Isabel Andrew who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Andrew, have returned to resume their studies, the former at Dalhousie University and the latter to Mt. Allison.

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A Morning Smile

"What's this honey?" said Mrs. Youngbride's husband as he speared a slab from the dish. "Lucifer cake, dear." "I thought you said you were going to make angel cake." "I was, but it fell."

CRANBERRIES

When preparing cranberry jelly or when cooking cranberries, save out a portion of the sweetened, cooked mass from which the fruit has not been strained out. A small bowl of this may be set aside and it should be a little thicker than rich preserves, or so that the juice just begins to gel when cold, but is not a very solid mass. Frequently, when cranberry sauce is prepared for the table, there will be a small quantity left over which will answer this purpose very nicely.

Make deep tart shells of rich pie crust. Fill with the cranberry sauce, and finish with whipped cream well sweetened and flavored with a few drops of vanilla. These cranberry tarts will make a delicious dessert, and one a little unusual and much appreciated.

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The monthly meeting of the Bonshaw W. I. met at the home of Miss Jean Crosby, Dec. 16, with an attendance of sixteen members and three visitors. Meeting opened by singing the Ode, followed by repeating the Creed. Roll call was answered by each member paying 5 cents. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. It was moved and seconded that a bill for fuel amounting to \$5.00 be paid.

The sick and school committees brought in no report. One of the program committee was absent. It was moved and seconded that Myrtle Crosby and Myra MacLeod be on the entertainment committee. Three papers were read. One by Mrs. J. W. Beaton, and one by Mrs. Stirling MacLeod. It was moved and seconded that cocoa and sugar be purchased for the school children. Some discussion took place regarding the purchasing of storm windows for the school. A committee of two were appointed to find out the cost and to bring in a report at a special meeting which is to be held. It was moved and seconded that our meetings begin at 7:30 p. m. Meeting closed by singing O Canada, after which lunch was served. Next meeting to be at the home of Mrs. J. W. MacDonald. Roll call answer—A new Year's Resolution.

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The exclamation point hat is still going strong. All takes is a little piece of fur, felt or firm fabric and one straight feather. The material takes the form of period moulded to the head with the feather stands directly at the back pointing upwards as the exclamation!

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What the Fashionables are Wearing

(Illustrated Dressmaking Lesson Furnished With Every Pattern By Annabelle Worthington

Here's a slimming costume slip that Paris has designed along the lines of the new frock. The interesting cut of the moulded bodice extending into a deep point at the front, proves a particularly slenderizing feature and gives lengthened line. The skirt being circular, falls so gracefully beneath the similar circular flaring hemline of the frock. The hem of the slip may be rolled by hand, which gives it a French finish or it may be finished professionally with picot-edge. Lace edging provides a dainty trim which may also trim the upper edge of the bodice.



It can easily be made in an hour or possibly two. And the cost will prove surprisingly small. Style No. 228 may be had in sizes 14, 16, 18, 20 years, 36 and 38 inches bust. Size 16 requires 2 1/2 yards of 35-inch material with 3 1/2 yards of edging. Crepe de chine and flat crepe silk are popularly used for the excellent service they give. Be sure to fill in the size of the pattern. Send stamps or coin (coin preferred). Price of pattern 15 cents.

No. 228. Size Name Street Address City State

For The Cook

MOCK PLUM PUDDING

The following recipe will be found to be a very delicious steamed plum pudding although it is minus suet and a number of the usual ingredients used for this famous holiday dessert:

- 1 cup flour. 1 cup sugar. 1 teaspoon salt. 1 teaspoon cinnamon. 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg. 1/4 teaspoon cloves. 3/4 teaspoon soda. 1 cup grated raw potato. 1 cup grated raw carrot. 1/2 cup chopped nuts. 1 cup raisins. 2 tablespoons chopped citron. 2 tablespoons chopped orange peel. 2 tablespoons melted butter. Put the raw potato in a mixing bowl and stir into it the soda; then add all the other ingredients. Mix thoroughly and fill a buttered mold three-fourths full. Cover and steam for two hours. Serve with any of the plum pudding sauces. This is a quick plum pudding, and should be used at once.



When TEETHING makes HIM FUSSY

One of the most important things you can do to make a teething baby comfortable is to see that little bowels do their work of carrying off waste matter promptly and regularly. For this nothing is better than Castoria, a pure vegetable preparation specially made for babies and children. Castoria acts so gently you can give it to young infants to relieve colic. Yet it is always effective. For older children, too, remember, Castoria contains no harsh drugs, no narcotics—is absolutely harmless. When your baby is fretful with teething or a food upset, give a cleansing dose of Castoria. Be sure you get genuine Castoria with the name: Dr. J. C. Fitcher CASTORIA CHILDREN CRY FOR IT

A hard heart never makes a warm hand. A woman's face is still her fortune, and in spite of the depression, interest is still high.

Home Economic Short Course

Beginning January 25th, the Women's Institute Branch of the Department of Agriculture will conduct a three weeks course in Home Economics. As there will be only one course given this year, those wishing to take advantage of this course, will please apply before January 18th. Address all communications to the Supervisor of Women's Institutes, Box 123, Charlottetown.

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The First Breath of Spring Time

Comic strip by Briggs. Panel 1: Joe, the postman dropped a letter in the snow. Get it before it blows away. Panel 2: Do you have to put on galoshes just to go to the door? I'm not going out there in my slippers. Panel 3: Here it is—It's for you. Why, it must be terrible out! Panel 4: What is it, anyhow? It's announcing an advance sale of women's spring coats.