

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

DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

Unwanted Parents

Nest-Egg Best Security For Old Age

DEAR MISS DIX: I think that it is the duty of all parents to give their personal attention to the rearing of their children and not to depend on nurses and governesses and baby-sitters to do the task. But I also think that all parents should make a provision for their old age so that they will not be dependent on their children.

I find from personal experience that no matter how much the fathers and mothers have loved and cherished their children that there comes a time when the old people are a burden.



ANSWER: Certainly there could be no arguing about its being the duty, above all other duties, of parents to give all that they have of wisdom and strength and high ideals to the shaping of the characters of their children. For how a child turns out is not a matter of luck. It is relentless logic. Every baby who is born is clay in its parents' hands and they can make of it something noble and fine and beautiful, or by their neglect let it develop into something that is a heartache and a shame to them.

Parents owe much to their children, but not everything, and when fathers and mothers sacrifice themselves to their youngsters they do them as deadily a wrong as malice itself could invent. And we see this happen so often in the spoiled brats who make dormitories of Pop and Mom and treat them with a contempt that they show to no other human being.

PARENTS STARVE

All of us know plenty of fathers and mothers who starve that their children may not call them shabby that their children may have fine clothes who literally work themselves to death to send their children to fashionable schools, and who justify themselves for spending all they make on their children by saying that Johnny and Mamie will take care of them when they are old, that their children are their savings bank. But, unfortunately, grateful children are the exception, not the rule, and when mother and father get too old to work Johnny and Mamie do not often welcome them into their homes with cries of joy. They consider them an affliction.

The moral of all of which is that while parents should be generous to their children, they should never lose sight of the necessity of laying up a nest egg for themselves. It is better and happier for all concerned, for between parents who are independent and who have gifts to bestow and parents who are pensioners, there is a great gulf fixed.

DEAR DOROTHY DIX: I am 19 years old. Was married when I was 16 and have a 15-month-old baby girl. I stood my husband's drinking and cursing me for 2 years, then I went back to my family and got a divorce. Here is my problem:

A nice young man whom I have known all my life has asked me to go out with him, but my father had a fit when I told him about it. He has forbidden me going out to any place of amusement unless my mother goes with me and stays with me all the time, and that's hard on her and me, too. My father has never wanted me to have any boy friends and, in fact, I never went out with my ex-husband alone until the night before we were married, and that was the first time he had ever come to my house. What should I do? I love my father and don't want to hurt him.

UNHAPPY

ANSWER: Your father is suffering from a complaint that is very common among men with only a daughter. He is simply eaten up with jealousy. He can't endure the thought of giving you up and of you loving some other man better than you do him.

Many a girl is an old maid because she had a green-eyed father who would never let her have any dates or boy friends, or go to any parties, or have any chance of meeting eligible young men. I have seen a man, who was really a fine character and charming to everybody else, who growled like a bad-tempered watch dog every time a boy came near his daughter and who was so insulting and unpleasant that no lad ever called on her twice.

You are young and you would be foolish to let a jealous father cut you off from any chance of marrying again. Assert your right to a husband.

DOROTHY DIX cannot reply personally to readers, but will answer problems of general interest through her column.

Cook's Corner

MERINGUE TOPPING FOR PIES

2 egg whites
4 to 6 tablespoons sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon of flavouring if desired.
Beat egg whites until frothy, add

sugar gradually and salt, beating until the mixture will stand in high peaks. Spread on cooked filling, so that meringue touches pie shell on all sides. Bake in slow oven, watching carefully, until meringue is delicately browned. This makes enough to spread on a 8 or 9 inch pie.

Keep blood stains away from hot water until they're first soaked in cold water and rubbed gently. Then proceed with the usual laundering treatment.



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That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M. D.

HOUSE DUST OFTEN A CAUSE OF ALLERGY

We are familiar with allergy in which the tissues of some individuals (15 to 20 per cent of the population) react differently than most of us to certain substances that float in the air, are eaten in food, or injected under the skin. We see it in forms of hay fever, asthma, head colds, stomach upsets, hives and other skin eruptions. Allergists, specialists in allergy, tell us that there are many substances causing allergy that are still unknown or not suspected. One of the commonest causes is ordinary house dust, to which one or more of the family are allergic but who blame their symptoms on pollen or similar substances.

Some years ago a magazine mentioned a case of allergy in which the father of the household, afflicted with asthma, travelled ahead of his family to locate a district where he would be free of asthma. Finding such a place, he would send for the family. Shortly after the family arrived, his asthma again would afflict him. It was only after several such movings that it was learned that it was the fur of the beloved family cat that was causing the asthmatic attacks.

While allergists have found some cases of allergy to be caused by street dust, it is more often instances in the air of the home that are to blame. Some of these substances are the children's toys stuffed with wool or cotton lint, insect sprays, heavy curtains, mattress frillings of feathers or cotton, certain cosmetic articles, the odors of perfumes, and powders, hair dyes, eyebrow and lip pencils.

The cause of the allergic symptoms is unknown, and the usual test for foods and pollen have been made. The dust in the home—particularly in the bedrooms (mattresses) and in sitting rooms (stuffed chairs and sofas)—should be carefully tested by an allergist. The cause of allergic symptoms can be found in the majority of cases if diligent search is made.

ALLERGY

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The Stars Say—

By Genevieve Kemble

For Friday, May 27

ALTHOUGH there are excellent auguries for launching important projects with the expansion of cherished plans, hopes and wishes, it would be well to make more than off-hand preparations. The tendency may be to stir over details of the more expansive vision; work for distant ends and substantial security rather than for the moment. Diligence and study may prove richer than a "flash in the pan" or sudden resentments. A child born on this day may be prone to quick discouragements, resentments and peevishness. Thus, forsting rewards some preferment for preparation, serious thought and confidence. It should shun low spirits and vitality.

For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is, are urged to give due preparation for plans and projects, and to enlarge scope and long-term objectives. The close-up view may be discouraging, but shrewd and persistent efforts are likely to impress those able to get proper perspective, to widen scope and promise through mature plans or tested experience. Cast burdens and doubts aside for the more expansive vision; work for distant ends and substantial security rather than for the moment. Diligence and study may prove richer than a "flash in the pan" or sudden resentments. A child born on this day may be prone to quick discouragements, resentments and peevishness. Thus, forsting rewards some preferment for preparation, serious thought and confidence. It should shun low spirits and vitality.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

Tender Hands

If you have tender hands that are subject to calluses when using a broom or anything with a handle, cover the upper part of the handle with any soft material, sewing it firmly, and tacking the lower end of the material to the handle.

The Dust Mop

Clean the dust mop by putting two tablespoonfuls of turpentine into each gallon of hot soapsuds, and letting the mop soak in this solution for about two hours; then wash.

Flies

Rubbing the surfaces of the hard painted walls, picture frames, and other articles with laurel oil will help keep away the flies.

Ellen's Diary

By an Island Farmer's Wife

Since the field-work commenced, it falls as one farmer's share at Alderlea to attend to the choring of the buildings, to take care of the stock and the various fetchings of hay and grain and potatoes that come now from the other farm. This allows small leisure. New arrivals appear and there are some partings as well in the piggeries, where late litters continue to come and odd fat hogs take their way on a market day to the city.

Grand-daughter herself was taken there on a recent outing which returned her happy but rather weary and ready for her afternoon nap. Though that was not at all her first excursion thither, as she related, she "saw so many stores and people and houses" she was bewildered in her recollections.

The prevailing price of weaning pigs, which has lowered a bit of late, causes our farmers to hold conferences as they stop to look in upon a sty. "Now shall we, or not, keep many of them or only a few to feed through the Summer?" is a question which must be viewed from many an angle, and has not been settled yet.

Meanwhile extra feeding and cleaning and bedding of these is included in the chorer's tasks, and often the sound of a brisk hammering indicates that new pens are being built or troughs fashioned to accommodate the piglets as they come to the period of weaning. The ewes too still pasturing in the front meadow also demand and receive much attention. Today a quaint pair was born to "that old grey one" which left grand-daughter surprised and obviously pleased—one creamy-white, while the twin is as black as Topsy and quite as likeable.

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Until tomorrow... Diary... Good-night...

Chapeau For A Princess



Princess Elizabeth, wearing a gay spring hat to match her smile, is pictured as she attended a Young Farmers' club meeting at London recently.

How Can I!!!

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I clean white felt hats?

A. Mix one quart of cornmeal with one cupful each of salt and flour. Rub into the surface of the felt, allow to stand over night, and then remove by brushing. Often, dirt spots of grime can be removed by use of art gum or the finest sandpaper.

Q. How can I relieve eyes that feel tired and dusty?

A. Bathe them with boric acid or other eye wash. Vaseline jelly is quick and effective in promoting long and curling eye lashes.

Q. How can I get rid of cooking odors?

A. A little ground cinnamon sprinkled directly on the gas flame will do wonders about those cooking odors.

bits make nests for their little ones—and doesn't an old mother-pig too? Did you never see one busy gathering up straw to make a bed for her little pigs?" She nodded, though it was evident that it was all a vast miracle. "And when you were up in the loft," she continued, "did they cry little mew when you lifted them?" "Yes," he answered, "but that doesn't mean that they're hurt—every kitten does that, especially when their eyes aren't open." "And when will they be open?" "At the end of nine days," he replied, and she not much taken up with their plaintive cries sighed. "Nine days—that's a lot of time! And not before then?" "No, not one minute before," he said, adding "what do you say if we go and see them again?"

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George Draw's Opponent in Carleton Riding



John H. McDonald, Ottawa barrister and war veteran, has been nominated as Liberal candidate to oppose Progressive Conservative Leader George Draw in the Ontario riding of Carleton. Mr. McDonald is seen here with his wife, Martha, two; Wendy, four; Nan, four.

Living & Leisure

THE WOMAN'S REALM

SINCEREST CRITICS

When folks no longer criticize My choice of suits or taste in ties, Or never try to change my views Of music, books, the stage and news;

When folks no longer kick my shin, And throw haymakers at my chin, Or never laugh, or never sneer, At everything I love or fear—

Then, I shall know, "This is the end," I've lost my last, staunch, steadfast friend!

—Hig.

Grass stains will come out of washable fabrics with hot water and soap and a good rubbing. If any stain remains, bleach it out with commercial bleaching water. Unwashable fabrics should be treated with ether or alcohol to dissolve stains.

For some types of ink stain, ordinary washing will do the trick. When this won't work, soak the stains for a few seconds in a solution of three tablespoons of oxalic acid to a gallon of water. Then rinse in clear water and, finally, in water to which a few drops of ammonia have been added. If the material is colored or not washable, send it to a dry cleaner.

Iodine stains should be sponged with alcohol.

Don't work on rust stains unless the material is white. Your cleaner has special solutions to use on

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Better English

D. C. Williams

- 1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I am going to beat up three eggs?"
- 2. What is the correct pronunciation of "ccma"?
- 3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Accede, excede, accede.
- 4. What does the word "inculpable" mean?
- 5. What is a word beginning with "a" that means "a remark by way of criticism?"

- ANSWERS
- 1. Say, "I am going to whip three eggs." 2. Pronounce ko-ma, o ar in no, accent first syllable. 3. Exceed. 4. Faultless; blameless. "An innocent and inculpable piece of ignorance." 5. Antimadversion.

colored or unwashable fabrics. With white material, stretch the stained area over a vessel of active boiling water and squeeze lemon juice over the stain. After a few minutes, rinse the fabric, and if necessary, squeeze lemon juice on again. Another way is to sprinkle the stain with salt, moisten with lemon juice, place material in the sun and squeeze on more lemon.

Tea stains can be soaked in a borax solution—one teaspoon to a cup of water. Then rinse in boiling water. Or you will boil stained material in solution of a half-inch cube soap to a cup of water.

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Isn't it discourteous at the theater to begin putting on one's wraps before the last curtain falls?

A. Yes, it is very discourteous and ill-bred to do so. When absolutely necessary to leave before the curtain falls, do so as quietly as possible, then put on the wraps in the foyer.

Q. When a man accompanies a woman to the dinner table, should he sit down at the same time that she does?

A. No; she should first draw out the chair for his dinner partner, or for the woman who sits next to him.

Q. Should one food be served two ways at the same meal, as orange juice and orange sherbet, or potato salad and mashed potatoes?

A. No.

Morning Smile

The doctor entered the patient's bedroom.

"Well, my man," he said to the patient, "did you take the medicine religiously?"

"No, doctor," replied the sick one quickly. "I swore every time I had a dose."

TOO MUCH

"Don't you ever take your wife out with you in the car?"

"No fear, I can't contend with both of 'em together."

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