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Happenings of the Week

The Earl of Bessborough, Governor-General, arrived at St. Andrews-by-the-Sea Monday by private train from Saint John, N.B. following a fishing trip, and was met by the Countess of Bessborough and their daughter, Lady Moyra Penobsky. His Excellency has joined his family and will stay there until July 24th, when he leaves to pay an official visit to Saint John. Their Excellencies played golf on the Algonquin Golf course in the afternoon.

Royalty Attend Westminster Abbey Sunday Service



Their majesties, the King and Queen are seen in the above picture, accompanied by H. R. H. Princess Elizabeth. The picture was snapped as they were leaving Westminster Abbey after attending Sunday morning service.

Dorothy Dix's Letter Box

Will Second Wife Play Second Fiddle in Man's Life?—Secret Marriage Always a Mistake—Will Mourning Family Dishonour Dead by Playing Radio?

Dear Miss Dix—Do you think it is possible for a widower to love his second wife as much as his first? I am 20 years of age and very fond of a widower who is five years my senior. He is very dependable and seems devoted to me, still every time I think of this woman I feel as if I will only play second fiddle in his life. Yet in my estimation he is the finest man I have ever known. Please help me to decide in this predicament. BETTY LOU.

Answer: Very often a man loves his second wife better than he did his first. It all depends upon circumstances and which of the two women he finds most congenial. Which one is really his soulmate, as the phrase goes.

And, of course, it also depends upon the man's own temperament. There are men who never really love but once. To their first wives they give all the romance that is in them and to the second wife they can only give a warm-over affection that has none of the fire of their early passion in it. But the one woman men are few and far between. Most men can love as often as the occasion requires. Very few wives are first loves whether they married widowers or not.

And, of course, men love different women differently. A man can love one woman for her beauty, another for her intelligence, another for her sweetness of disposition. He can love one woman because she is a clinging vine who calls out all the chivalry in his nature by her helpless dependence, and he can love another woman because she mothers and spoils him. Every woman makes her own place in her husband's heart, no matter how many other loves or wives he has had.

So it is ridiculous to say that you feel that you will play second fiddle in this man's life. His first marriage is a closed episode. You start a new chapter in his life. And it is foolish for you to be jealous of his first wife. You should be thankful that you have no rival other than the poor dead lady out in the cemetery under a ton of granite. The women to fear are the live ones.

Generally speaking, second marriages are happier than first ones and widowers are better husbands than first husbands because, for one thing, they have been tamed and domesticated and, for another, they have learned about wives from their first mates. They are professionals, so to speak, while the man who is having his first experience in matrimony is an amateur.

The widower does not expect so much of marriage as the young husband does. He doesn't expect it to be a sort of early Paradise, nor for his wife to be able to wave a magic wand and produce luscious feasts already cooked that cost nothing, while she lounges around in pink chiffon.

He knows that a home is an expensive luxury that takes money to keep up, so he doesn't have hysterics every month when the bills come in. He knows that a woman who has to do her housework can't always look like a fashion plate and is waiting for him with a glad, sweet smile. He knows there are times when a woman is tired and cross and has a headache and is grouchy, just as he is often tired and grouchy himself after a hard day's work. So he takes matrimony on the chin instead of the nerves, the bitter with the sweet, and thinks that it strikes a pretty good average after all.

And very first wife leaves her successor a legacy in tenderness and patience from her husband that she never had. For there are very few men who ever look down on the faces of their dead wives without a bitter regret for harsh words they have said, for impatience that they have shown, for the little things that they might have done and did not do that would have made life happier for them.

So marry your man, my dear, and be glad that you are No. 2. DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Dorothy Dix—What do you think of secret marriages. What circumstances, if any, can justify a man and woman in waiting from six to twelve months before making an announcement of their marriage? Are risqué of its sanctity and reduce it to a mere civil contract, especially when the ceremony is performed by a civil officer? Are not the parties to such an affair living in legalized adultery until their relations are publicly announced? OLD FOGY.

Answer: The only circumstances that justify a secret marriage are when a man and woman have decided to live together, anyway. That makes it an improvement on a liaison because in case there is a child it is born in wedlock and has not the stain of illegitimacy upon it.

Of course, the legitimacy of a marriage is determined by its legal status and whether it is made public or not has nothing to do with its being a binding contract.

Personally, I think a secret marriage is always a mistake and that no matter what the circumstances, it is far better to marry openly and aboveboard and to acknowledge each other in the sight of all men. I think this is best even if the circumstances are such that a couple cannot live together at the time. They have entered into the holiest of all relationships and they should do it in a way that demands the respect of the world.

And somehow, no matter how valid the secret marriage is, there is always a little doubt upon it, a little breath of scandal that tarnishes it, a little doubt in people's minds. And that does not do for the agony of a happy union. DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Miss Dix—We have lost our dear oldest sister. Our big brother is at home and his only pleasure is to listen to the radio, but since this sister's death we have never turned it on, although it would be a great comfort to us to hear it. Is it too early yet to have the radio on? How long does mourning last for a daughter and a sister? C. B.

Answer: If you loved the dear, dead girl, your grief will last as long as life lasts, but people no longer make the fetish of formal mourning that they used to do. It is quite common now for the family not to put on black, instead of shrouding themselves in crepe as they once did, and to go on about their affairs just as if death had not knocked at their doors.

So turn on your radio and get what pleasure and comfort you can out of that. It will take your thoughts off your sorrow and you need to have that done. Life is for the living, not for the dead. Those who have gone hence would not add to our grief by having us deny ourselves any innocent pleasure. DOROTHY DIX.

The HOUSEWIFE and HER ACTIVITIES

Thy love shall chant its own beatitude. After its own self working. A child's kiss. Set on the sighing lips shall make. A poor man served by thee shall make thee rich; A sick man helped by thee shall make thee strong; Thou shalt be served thyself by every sense Of service which thou renderest. —E. B. Browning.

HOW FAR HONEYBEES FLY

Further answers to the question as to how far honeybees fly are to be found in the publication of the results of extensive experiments, which have been carried out in Wyoming and Colorado. At the same time they confirm the conclusions of the Dominion Apiarist that the same portion of a field or to the same small field or orchard, even though areas of the same forage plant are nearer. Estimates of various writers have placed the flight range of honey bees at distances of from one to seven or more miles, but little experimental evidence has been presented.

When colonies were located on a prairie in Wyoming, during a dearth of nectar, it was found that the bees would fly only 15 miles for artificial stores and at least 3 miles for pollen and nectar. However, when bees were separated from a given nectar-producing area by rough country, with no other source of food intervening, they flew maximum distance of at least 8.5 miles.

Experiments on the distribution of bees from apiaries located within a nectar-producing area showed that bees have a tendency to fly in only one or two major lanes of flight, neglecting similar forage plants in other directions. Bees would fly from 2 1/2 to 4 1/2 miles in one direction when located within a nectar-producing area and confine their efforts to working in that direction rather than in nearer fields of seemingly equal attractiveness. —Journal of Agricultural Research.

CARE OF BLANKETS

Blankets which are new should be soaked for half an hour in water to which has been added one pound of bicarbonate of soda. Put them through a wringer. All the dressing will come out, and they may then be washed in the usual way, and that their appeal is not so wide as it is generally supposed to be. But the carnation is the conventional choice of most people for ceremonial bouquets.

TO REST EYES

The greatest beauties of all time have been particularly noted for their calm, relaxed and almost placid expressions. And modern women will do well to realize that rest and restful-looking beauty is preferable to the variety that is tired, worn and slightly haggard. Unless a girl gets the proper amount of sleep, she can't expect to be fresh and beautiful the following day. Remember that lack of sleep causes lines around the mouth and eyes. In addition to enough sleep each night, everyone, if it is at all possible, should take a short rest period sometime during the day. A twenty minute nap after lunch makes the afternoon seem

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PRICKLY HEAT

If babies could talk, they would certainly tell you that prickly heat is a most annoying complaint. They would likely mention, at the same time, that a down pillow is not a cool resting place on a warm day, and doubtless, they would, in chorus, proclaim how comfortable they feel after a bath and how they like to sleep after they have been cooled off by a bath or a sponge.

PICKINGS FROM PUNCH.

"The Automobile Association," said Sir W. Joynton-Hicks at the annual meeting, "has no desire to protect the road-hog. The good sportsmanship of pedestrians and others is therefore relied upon with regard to these defenceless creatures."

M. Mecias Krasinsky, who claims to be a hundred and thirty-two, and to have fought in several wars attributes his long life to not having begun to smoke till thirty years ago. It is remarkable how some men let themselves go directly they have passed the century.

"Among the latest things to go by the board is the wing collar with morning dress," says a Weekly Dispatch writer. It is too bad to spring this upon us in the already unsettled condition of the century.

Tears have the power of killing microbes, we are informed. The difficulty of course is to get the average germ to cry unless you can step on its foot.

Quite a number of statues have been stolen from Ruhr Park, says a Mulheim message. Suspicious-looking men seen loitering near any of our London statues should be asked if they want any help.

"Blad men should not walk bare-headed through the streets," says a medical writer. It is this sort of kill-joy spirit which is proving such a setback to the Brighter London movement.

"Does an elephant often live to be four hundred years of age?" asks a weekly paper correspondent. We do not profess to be expert in these matters, but we think that very few elephants have managed it more than once.

ROSES OR CARNATIONS? The rose, England's emblem, is threatened to be ousted from its

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