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A Year to Think It Over

Dorothy Dix

Applauds Spain's Divorce Idea

The Best and Wisest Divorce Law to Date is the Proposed Spanish One of Mutual Consent, Wherein Both Parties Must Remain of the Same Mind for Over a Year, Declares Dorothy Dix

According to report Spain is contemplating enacting a law providing for divorce by mutual consent without specification of cause or of either party having to prove that the other is guilty of some heinous offense.



Only—and here is the beneficent catch in what looks like an easy divorce proceeding that out-Reno's Reno—the discordant husband and wife have to appear three times before the judge at intervals of six months and reiterate that they still have a mad on each other, as the children say, and still desire a decree absolute.

It seems to me that this is the best and wisest divorce law that has ever yet been suggested. To begin with, there can be no better reason for a couple getting a divorce than the fact that their love has turned to hate, that they have found themselves utterly unsuited and uncongenial to each other and that they cannot live together in peace and harmony. There are plenty of perfectly good men and women who make each other miserable and kill all the sweetness in life for each other because they have blundered into marrying the wrong mates, yet who would make ideal husbands and wives for other women and men.

Certainly no purpose of morality is concerned by forcing people to live together who keep each other irritated to the point of madness all the time and who bring out everything that is bitter and bad in each other's characters. Nor is there any merit in the contention that a husband and wife should continue to live together no matter how much they have come to dislike each other nor how badly they get along together for the sake of the children.

For we have had sense enough at last to realize that nothing else is so bad for a child mentally and physically as to be brought up in an atmosphere of strife and that no home at all is better than a home in which the parents are in a perpetual fight with each other and in which their poor offspring have their nerves and emotions torn to tatters.

And certainly the law never seems more of an ass than when it refuses a divorce because both parties want one and grants a divorce when one party wants to sever the marriage bond and the other party is broken-hearted over it.

Also, it is a monstrous and unthinkable thing that in a divorce case all of the dirty family linen should be washed in public and that a man and woman, who once loved each other and who have lived together in the intimacy of marriage, should not be able to separate, when they come to the parting of the ways, in decency like a lady and a gentleman, without being forced to blacken each other's names and sweep away whatever respect their children might have for them.

So this new law that grants a divorce, without scandal and without imputations and recriminations, to a discordant married couple just because they both wish it is a wise one, but it is wiser still in that it does not give them a decree absolute at once, but makes them wait for over a year for it.

That gives them time to think it over. It gives them time to look into their own hearts and see if the old love is really dead or if it is only

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A Morning Smile

HIS MOVE

A doctor was called upon to attend the butler of an aristocratic but impecunious patient. A superficial examination revealed the fact that there was nothing whatever the matter with him.

"It's like this, sir," said the butler in a hoarse whisper, "er ladyship owes me six pounds in wages, and I'm going to stop 'ere until I get it." "Move over," said the doctor. "She owes me fifty."

No Guarantee From Dominion

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 17.—(By The Canadian Press)—The Dominion Government has not given any guarantee, during 1931 or 1932 to any bank or committee of bankers, or of the debt due them by the Province of New Brunswick, the House of Commons was told this afternoon, in response to questions from Peter Veniot, (Lib. Gloucester).

numbered by the battering and bruising it has received. It gives them time to cool off their anger and consider their wrongs dispassionately. Above all, it gives them a perspective on their own faults and each other's virtues that they did not have when living at too close range.

Half of the trouble between married couples is caused by their being fed up on each other and with domesticity. They get bored to extinction and they get that tied-down feeling. That is what sets men to philandering and women to nagging and dwelling on their husbands' faults and shortcomings until they feel that they can't stand them another moment.

And it is then that they begin to think of divorce as a sort of Elysium in which all of their troubles will drop from them and leave them young and beautiful and gay and light hearted once more. The man thinks he will be a free boy again with no responsibilities and money in his pocket to spend on his own pleasures instead of it having to go for household bills.

The woman thinks she will be a girl again, the petted darling of her family, with beaux and dates, and everything will be just as it was when she was eighteen.

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They find out that there is no magic in the decree has restored them their youth or brought them happiness. The man discovers that there is no fun in roaming when nobody cares whether he ever comes back or not and that other women are no when she takes the children and goes back home, her welcome is a cold one. Both find themselves misfits in society. They miss their home. They miss each other. The children miss their father or their mother and conscience and common sense remind them that they have acted like fools or knaves.

And so in thousands of cases if husbands and wives had to take a year to think over a divorce, there would be none. They would kiss and make up and live happily ever after.

DOROTHY DIX.

For The Cook

WHOLE WHEAT BREAD

Making whole wheat bread using all whole wheat flour does not make so light a bread as if we use a little white flour, try the following recipe:

- 1 cup boiling water. 1 cup fresh milk. 1 cake yeast. 2 tablespoonfuls sugar. 4 cups whole wheat flour. 2 cups white flour. 2 tablespoonfuls lukewarm water. 2 teaspoonfuls salt.

Pour the boiling water on the milk and when lukewarm, stir in the yeast which has been dissolved in the lukewarm water, add salt and sugar.

Mix and stir in sufficient whole wheat flour to make a batter that will drop from a spoon, beat well, cover and let stand in a warm place for a few hours or until light. Then stir in sufficient flour to make a firm dough, knead lightly for a few minutes, making a softer loaf than for white bread.

Mould 2 loaves, place in greased pans, cover and let stand in a warm place until the loaves are double in bulk—about 1 hour. Bake in a moderate oven 375 F. for 1 hour.

CHEESE TOAST WITH BACON

- Make a sauce of: 4 tablespoons fat. 4 tablespoonfuls flour. 2 cups milk.

Season with 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce; then stir in 2-3 cup grated cheese. Cook about 2 minutes or until cheese is melted; pour over 6 slices of toast and serve with a slice of cooked bacon over the top.

ALMOST FLAT ON HER BACK

Aching back! Will it never stop? She's nearly desperate. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has relieved "feminine troubles" for over 50 years.



Advertisement for Campbell's Soup, featuring a large illustration of a bowl of soup and the text 'Children THRIVE ON IT' and 'Fifteen different kinds of vegetables! All Summer long they drink in the health-giving radiance of Canadian sunshine. Then, combined with invigorating broth, strength-giving cereals, fresh herbs and delightful seasonings, they form a soup that is at once delicious, healthful and nourishing. Every spoonful heavily laden with vegetables, whole, diced or in puree. A healthful, sustaining meal for the children's lunch or supper. Few foods so nourishing cost so little.'

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Each day a happy message with the Red-and-White. In Campbell's Soup should reach you to cheer your appetite!

MADE IN CANADA

Comic strip panel showing a man and woman talking. The man says 'WASHING SHIRTS CERTAINLY RUINS THEM, DOESN'T IT BETTY?' and the woman replies '—YES, IT'S A SHAME — THE SCRUBBING DOES!'.

Comic strip panel showing a man and woman talking. The man says 'NEXT WASHDAY' and the woman replies '—YOUR SHIRTS WILL LAST LONGER NOW, I'M USING RINSO, THE HARD-WATER SOAP WE READ ABOUT. IT SAVES SCRUBBING'. The man replies '—GOOD! THE SHIRTS LOOK MUCH WHITER, TOO, BETTY'.

Advertisement for Rinso soap, featuring the text 'Try these rich, safe suds for whiter washes!' and 'SAVE the clothes—save yourself—with the famous hard-water soap, Rinso! Its rich, active suds loosen dirt. Clothes soak whiter than they can be scrubbed.'

John Gresham's Girl By Concordia Merrel

(Continued) "You asked me whether it was true," he said, steadily. "Is it, Lucy?" "Yes," she answered. "It is true." "Are you satisfied now that I love you?" he went on. "Yes, Jim. You love me. It is true this time. . . . Real. . . . I have no doubts. . . ." "This time?" he questioned. "It was not true or real before. When you made me love you, right at the beginning. . . . When you held me in your arms. . . . Kissed me. It was not real then, Jim. But now. This. . . . Oh, yes, it's real this time." She breathed a little sigh and, leaning her head upon his breast again, his arms tightened round her again, roughly; savagely almost. And his voice was queer and harsh as he said: "I think it's always been true. . . . Always been real. I think I've always loved you, Lucy. Anyway, you've always tormented me; maddened me; it's been sheer torture to be near you. Torture to be with in arm's reach of you. . . . To long for you so. . . ."

Gas in the Stomach Is Dangerous

Recommends Daily Use of Bisurated Magnesia to Overcome Trouble Caused by Acid Indigestion. Gas in the stomach accompanied by a full, bloated feeling after eating are almost certain evidence of the presence of excessive hydrochloric acid in the stomach, creating so-called "acid indigestion." Acid stomachs are dangerous because too much acid irritates the delicate lining of the stomach, often leading to gastritis accompanied by serious stomach ulcers. Food ferments and sours, creating the distressing gas which distends the stomach and hampers the normal functions of the vital internal organs, often affecting the heart. It is the worst of folly to neglect such a serious condition or to treat with ordinary digestive aids which have no neutralizing effect on the stomach acids. Instead get from any druggist a little Bisurated Magnesia and take a teaspoonful or four tablets in water right after eating. This will drive the gas, wind and bloated right out of the body, sweeten the stomach, neutralize the excess acid and prevent its formation and there is no sourness, gas or pain. Bisurated Magnesia (in powder or tablet form—never in liquid or milk) is harmless to the stomach, inexpensive to take and the best form of magnesia for stomach purposes. It is used by thousands of people who enjoy their meals with no more fear of indigestion.

Advertisement for Baby's Colds, featuring the text 'Baby's Colds Best treated without dosing—Just rub on VICKS VAPORUB FOR COLDS OF ALL THE FAMILY'.

ever since the first day I saw you. . . . Jim, you know that, don't you? There's never been anyone else for me. . . ." "Ames?" The question shot out from between his lips and hers, as he moved the fraction of an inch from a kiss. "Never, do you doubt it? I liked him. . . . Was fond of him as I might be of a brother. . . . But I never have loved any man but you. . . ." "He says that he is going to make you leave me. . . . He can't, can he?" "Only one person can make me leave you, Jim; you yourself. . . ." "Then you'll never leave me now, Lucy. I'll never let you out of my sight again! Do you know what it is to long for anything as I have been longing for you? I don't believe you do. . . . I don't believe anyone could."

longer. I told you I was only a man Lucy. Nothing more; nothing less. And you have known what it means have you? You have known the torment of it, too? Then you know what it is to me now to hold you in my arms. . . . To kiss your lips. To know that at last you are mine Mine. All the sweetness of you. . . . All the beauty. . . ." He pushed her away suddenly, until she was at arms' length from him, and looked her up and down with hungry eyes. "You're some sort of miracle, aren't you, Lucy?" he added shakily. "Can anything be so lovely as real?" (To Be Continued)

Large advertisement for Flakies soda, featuring a large illustration of a soda bottle and the text 'BROWN-HOLDER Flakies The Cream of Cream Sodas'.

CANADA PROVINCE OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND IN CHANCERY Before the Vice-Chancellor No. D-155. In the matter of the estate of Duncan McDonald of Newport King's County in Prince Edward Island, PURSUANT to an Order of Vice-Chancellor bearing date the third day of February A. D. 1932 HEREBY NOTIFY all persons having any claims against the estate of Duncan McDonald to come in and prove their claims before the Vice-Chancellor at the Court House in Georgetown on Tuesday the 22nd day of February at the hour of twelve o'clock noon. And take notice that all claims not so proved before him will be barred. DATED the third day of February A. D. 1932. (Sgd.) LEITH E. BRECKEN H. F. MacPHEE, Solicitor for Committee. 551-2-6-13-18-19-20-22-61.