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Shall Wife of Philanderer Apply for Divorce?

Dorothy Dix

Warns Women Against Jumping Into Fire

The Wife Whose Husband Breaks Faith With Her After Many Years of Happy Married Life Must Consider Children, Money and Her Own Feelings Before Thinking of Divorce

There is never a day in which I do not get a score or more of letters from heartbroken wives whose houses of happiness have suddenly crashed about them, wrecked by the discovery that their husbands have been unfaithful to them.



The disaster has come to these women with the suddenness of a cyclone bursting across a clear day, for the men to whom they are married are not the ordinary philanderers or Don Juans.

And in her bewilderment and despair she does not know what to do, which way to turn. There are the children to consider. There is her own age and her lack of training in any trade or profession by which she could support herself.

Of course, the woman's first thought, her heart aflame with jealousy, her pride humbled, her soul outraged with injustice, is of divorce. This would be the obvious course for her to take if her husband was in love with the other woman and wanted to marry her.

But, as a general thing, the husband does not wish his wife to divorce him. He doesn't wish his home broken up. He does not want to be separated from his children and to forfeit their love and respect.

Very often he is still fond of his wife and admires her above other women. In her rectitude and dignity he considers her far superior to the poor, weak creature he is playing about with.

The man feels that that solves the problem as far as he is concerned. It washes the slate clean. All wife has to do is to forgive and forget and everything will be happy and serene as it was while she still lived in her fool's paradise, believing him as true to her as she was to him.

She knows that his promises of being faithful are generally lies. So what should the woman do who is married to a man who is technically a good husband, who is kind and pleasant to live with and a good provider, yet who does a little philandering on the side?

Besides the spiritual wrong that children suffer from the divorce of their parents, they often suffer severe maternal losses. The woman who leaves her husband, even if the courts make him pay her alimony, is social and educational advantages, or the start in the world they would have enjoyed if they had been brought up in an unbroken household.

Then the woman with the philandering husband should consider her own financial status. If she has an independent fortune, it is one thing. But if she has no money and must depend upon a little grudgingly given alimony for support, she might well decide that it is better to put up with a husband with a weakness for pretty faces but who provides all the comforts and luxuries of life than it is to have a decree absolute that gives her freedom from him, but also the freedom to be poor and shabby and hard-worked.

And, finally, the real determining factor should be the woman's own feelings toward her husband. If from the day of her marriage she has never had a thought that didn't center in him; if she has never planned a meal without thinking of his taste; if she has never bought a dress except to please his eye, then she does well to forgive and forget because without him she has no life, no happiness, no anything.

And sometimes these wandering husbands never make but one excursion off the strait and narrow path, and in the end they all come back home after they have grown tired of chasing wild women. Often the reward of the patient wife is many years of domestic peace and happiness.

DOROTHY DIX.

THE COOK'S CORNER

SANDWICH LOAF

- 1 loaf sandwich bread
1 cup grated carrots
1 cup shredded celery and lettuce
Mayonnaise
1/4 pound cream cheese
1/4 pound snappy cream cheese
Seasonings

Remove crust from bread and slice lengthwise in thirds. Place one slice of bread on platter and spread with mayonnaise. Cover this with second slice of bread and spread with celery and lettuce moistened with mayonnaise.

FROZEN FRUIT SALAD

- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
1/2 cup white cherries or grapes
1/2 cup diced pineapple.
2 cups whipped cream
2 bananas
1/2 cup rubettes
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup mayonnaise

Combine fruits and lemon juice, chill thoroughly. Mix the mayonnaise with the whipped cream and add the fruit. Freeze in the freezing tray of refrigerator. Service on crisp heart lettuce leaves.

SALMON RING WITH GREEN PEAS

- 2 cups flaked salmon
1 egg
2 cups sifted bread crumbs
1 cup milk
3 tablespoons lemon juice.
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup chopped celery, or
1 cup grated carrots
1 teaspoon baking powder

Mix ingredients well; pack in greased ring mold. Bake about one hour at 350 degrees F. Turn out on chop plate and fill center with hot buttered Green Giant peas. Garnish with parsley and lemon.

A Morning Smile

Man at theatre (to talkative occupant of seat in front)—Excuse me, but we can't hear a word of what's said.

"Yes, Madrid is a wonderful town—wonderful theatres, beautiful shops—"

"Have you been there?"

"No, but my grandfather once thought of going."

A wealthy man was motoring through a remote district in Ireland, when he came upon a poor woman, seated, with all her humble furniture about her, in the middle of the road before her little cabin.

"Tell me," he said, "what is the trouble, my poor friend?"

"Bobbing and cursewing, the old woman replied, "Sure, sorr, me man's white-washin'!"

FOR THE WOMAN READER

WHAT IS IT?

There is a noun of plural number. For to peace and tranquil slumber; But add to it the letter S, And, wondrous metamorphosis. Plural is plural now no more.

FOR THE HOUSEHOLD Here are a few rules for successful cake baking: When you once make a successful cake then use same recipe.

HOUSE CLEANING HINTS When painting or washing moldings, hold a heavy piece of cardboard under the molding so that the paint or water that drops from brush or rag will not spatter on the wall.

APARTMENT SEWING HINT When it is necessary to use your dining room table to cut on you will find it practical to keep your asbestos pad or silence cloth on the table while cutting.

BLACK AND WHITE CHIC One of the smartest and trimmest morning outfits is can be acquired.

SPRING CLEAN THIS WAY When cleaning a distemper, always work from the bottom to the top. Use a soft cloth wrung out in warm water after the walls have been well dusted.

STAINS ON PANS The stains formed on the outside of aluminum pans used on a gas stove can be easily removed by scouring them with a damp flannel dipped in fine ash from the kitchen grate. Then wash in warm soapy water.

Leading Criminal Lawyer

Mrs. Joan Rosanove is considered one of the brightest Legal Lights in Australia.

They call her "poker face"—Mrs. Joan Rosanove, Australia's greatest criminal lawyer. She is now in London looking at the English law courts. Also at the London shops, since she is a woman as well as a lawyer.

Ever since she was fifteen, when she was articled to her father, Mark Lazarus, of the Melbourne Bar, Mrs. Rosanove has been in the thick of the legal hurly-burly.

Mrs. Rosanove kept him in the witness box for nearly two hours, and long before the grueling was over the famous statesman lost his temper and became badly rattled.

Over-Lubrication Harmful Over-lubrication is decidedly harmful in a way. Oil and grease attract and retain dirt and dust.

Cause of Unequal Braking It is not always an unequal adjustment of the brakes themselves that causes the car to skid or slide during a quick stop.

Man's Heart Stopped By Bad Stomach Gas W. L. Adams bloated so with gas after meals that his heart missed beats. Adierka brought out all gas and now he eats anything and feels fine.

GARDENING

BE SURE TO PLANT SPINACH

When you are planning your garden do not forget to include spinach, if you have not been accustomed to growing it. Spinach is a valuable addition as it comes early before the other vegetables are ready.

Try adding spinach to your scrambled eggs, or spreading it over your omelet before it is folded. A poached egg on a mound of spinach is delicious—if you serve it on toast so much the better.

Spinach is a valuable food as it contains minerals, vitamins and is valuable for roughage. To many people it is an acquired taste.

ASPARGUS AND PINEAPPLE SALAD Place several sticks of asparagus either canned or fresh on a slice of canned pineapple. To bind the asparagus with a narrow strip of pineapple adds to the appearance and flavour of the salad.

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A DEAF AND DUMB WOMAN A MUSICIAN

MERRIAM, Kas., April 22—Helen May Martin has been deaf and blind since she was eight days old. Now at 38, she can play the harp and piano so well that she has appeared in public concert.

She thrills at the crash of thunder and the thud of falling hail. She can read all the 12 different systems on writing invented for the blind.

Helen Keller has acclaimed her to be "the only blind and deaf musician" and "the most accomplished deaf and blind person in the world" with an ordinary tin can concealed in her lap, she once attended a piano concert given by Paderewski and enjoyed every bit of it.

Whenever a thunderstorm breaks over her home in this suburb of Kansas City, she rushes to the attic in order to catch the vibrations in the air.

Importation Of British Anthracite Is Probed

OTTAWA, April 22—(C.F.)—Report on the alleged combine in the importation and distribution of British Anthracite coal in Canada will be completed within the next week, it was learned today.

The investigation has been under way for a considerable time in Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Quebec where particularly the price to the consumer has been alleged to be too high. F. A. McGregor, Registrar under the Combines Act, has been conducting the enquiry.

When the Recipe Says Molasses

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SWEET VANITY

By RICHARD GOYNE

"Ma'amselle, a capable nurse is vital in such a case as this. We will do what we can, but we are men. He saved your life, cannot you come back and tend him? I am thinking, too, of the way he spoke of you. His condition is grave. When he awakes he will be delirious. It would be a way in which to repay him. It may be that you can save his life, Ma'amselle."

He stopped, conscious that Cynthia was staring up at him, conscious of the tragedy on her face, of what lay in those wide, brown eyes so bright with tears. She turned away then, with a gasp of helplessness. Oh heaven, what would she not do to repay her debt to this man who had almost given his life as the price of her impulsive folly! But would he want her? Could she do all that the missionary asked? If this had happened at home she herself would have been a patient rather than a nurse. But,

emergency soon puts trivialities in their proper perspective.

"Wait, please. I will come back. I must go down to my hotel, but I will not be absent long."

CHAPTER XVII.

Cynthia turned and went out into the burning sunlight, and down to Noumea. Twenty minutes later she went wearily up the steps into the hotel. It was almost deserted. She was glad she met none of her party. Up in her room she changed, quickly, and put on a white frock, collected a number of things in a case and came down again.

Dicky Smythe, and two of their friends, came into the hall as she was leaving, and it was obvious something was amiss. He gave a sigh of relief as he saw Cynthia, and hurried up to her with a paper waving in his hand.

"Cynthia, this wireless message has been sent out for two days, from my father, or those who are coking after him. They've been trying to pick up our yacht, and the operator's just got the message." His boyish features were hag-

gard, his eyes wide with anxiety. "I say, old girl, we must go. We must leave the Island at once, and I must try and catch up on a fast boat to England. My father is ill. It's his old trouble, heart, and they fear—the worst. I must go back. I must try and get there in time. Cynthia, you'll forgive me, old girl, if I ask that you'll cut short our stay and drop me somewhere where I can find a boat? Somewhere—?"

He stopped in his agitation for want of breath. Cynthia stared, not comprehending for a moment, and then she put out her hand, speaking as if still his words had not quite impressed themselves upon her.

"Your father? Oh, Dicky, I'm sorry. Of course you can have the yacht. Go right away. You should find a fast boat from Brisbane or Sydney, shouldn't you?"

He nodded, relieved. "Yes, we've made enquiries. The moment you're packed, o'd thing, I'll come up to you."

But, impressively, she shook her head. "Dicky, how long will you need to get to Brisbane?"

"He frowned, not understanding. "If the worst comes to the worst and we miss the next boat, the yacht will have to run me round to heaven knows where before I can track on to another."

"Yes," she nodded again, slowly. That's all right. But—don't wait for me, Dicky. You'd better see the captain yourself at once. That will be all right so far as I am concerned."

Dicky knew nothing. The party had been out to the lagoon, whence the wireless operator had found them with the message. He was staggered at Cynthia's words.

"My dear, are you mad? You can't stay here alone. It may be a month before the yacht gets back. Cynthia, what on earth is the matter with you?"

Suddenly she became aware of the delay in her return to the missionary's house. It made her confused as she answered him.

"I am staying to nurse Peter Cavendish," she said. "He is very ill, Dicky, and the reason is, he has just—saved my life."

Dicked and his friends gasped.

"Cavendish ill?" Dicky stammered. "What on earth has happened?"

He stared as she told him, and then began to argue. "But hang it all, there are other women here."

"They want a European woman. Don't you see that I must stay?"

"But—" He was thinking only of himself and his father, and he found himself suddenly, furiously jealous. "Look here, Cynthia, that's all very well, but you, a helpless English woman, can't stick here alone in this devilish place. There's surely a doctor? We're sorry and all that, but—money can do a lot. You're not experienced either. You can't want to stay, and if it's gratitude, well—"

It was then, in the face of his selfish callousness before two urgent situations, that Cynthia saw Dicky Smythe as he was, saw deeper into his nature than ever she had done before. Realising this, and thinking of the man lying helpless away in the missionary's house, perhaps dying, and for her sake, a fiery resentment swept through her. Scorn lit her eyes, and she spoke the words that amazed even herself: amazed her because, as she said them, she knew they were true.

"I'm going to stay, Dicky. He saved my life and it's up to me to stay here with Peter. And it isn't just gratitude, just repaying a debt. I—I want to stay, and while he needs me I shall."

(To Be Continued)

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