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By Annabelle Worthington



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NATIVES OF AFRICA KEEN ON EDUCATION

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Dec. 22.—(By The Canadian Press)—"Natives are extremely keen on education, and the fathers will do all in their power to give their children sound education. Domestic requirements, however, are such that it is often impossible for native children to attend schools more than every other day, owing to their being wanted to herd cattle or do other small jobs in the locations."

This was the testimony of J. C. Ross, inspector of native schools in the Transkei, before the Native Economic Commission at Kokstad, recently, according to the Cape Argus' correspondent at that place.

Where there were two boys in one household, the inspector said, one very often found that they would attend school every day in turn. There was undoubtedly a lack of opportunity for the educated native to find suitable employment. It was being realized by the natives that greater opportunities should be given for them to receive industrial education and to learn handicrafts. Inspector Ross expressed the opinion that the educated native was more useful in many directions than the uneducated native, but he also felt further education should be in the direction of vocational and industrial education, particularly after a certain standard had been reached.

Rev. George Veel, of the Presbyterian Church, speaking from many years' experience, pointed out that while native wages in the Kodstad district averaged from 15 shillings to 30 shillings a month, the native was called upon to pay an annual tax of one pound a year, plus invariably two shillings six pence as a

penalty for the late payment of that tax. This meant that a minimum of 10 per cent. of a native's earnings was paid out in direct taxation, while in indirect taxation as well, the native burden was becoming heavier and heavier, and was leading to a feeling of irritation.

Blankets, sheeting, and many other articles of necessity were bearing a heavy tax which the natives had to pay. Mr. Veel said, and it was felt that as soon as the native became a large consumer of any particular article a tax was placed on such an article even if, as was very often the case, such an article did not in any way compete with locally produced goods.

Mr. Veel particularly advocated the native in school being taught hygiene which he felt would tend to a large extent, to reduce mortality, infantile as well as adult. The present living conditions of the natives owing to their ignorance of hygiene were deplorable and called for immediate action.

FROM BACK TO THE LAND ASSOCIATION

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Dec. 22.—(By The Canadian Press)—"Back to the Land Association" has been formed by the Juvenile Advisory Board (colored) in order that an offer of a farm by a prominent citizen for the training of colored youths might be accepted on behalf of the colored public. The farm has been given under certain conditions, to be carried out by the Association under an agreement which has been formally accepted by the Juvenile Advisory Board. The members of the "Back to the Land Association" are representatives men in the colored community.

Chest Colds Rub well over throat and chest VICKS VAPORUB OVER 21 MILLION JARS USED YEARLY

A Morning Smile

An Irish motor truck driver was charged with reckless driving in having stopped his truck so suddenly that a car behind smashed into him. The judge asked him why he had not held out his hand. Pat indignantly answered: "If the poor fool couldn't see me truck, how in hiven's name could he see me hand?"

QUEBEC TO CONDUCT DENTAL MOVEMENT

QUEBEC, Dec. 20.—In a further effort toward improving health conditions in the province, which in the last few years have become better, due largely to the good work carried out under the supervision of the provincial Department of Health Hon. Athanasie David, Provincial Secretary, has issued instructions to start a campaign in favor of dental prophylaxis. The first experiment in this connection will take place at the sanitary unit at St. Jean-d'Iberville Country. Under the authority of the Provincial Secretary and Dr. Alphonse Lessard, director of health with the co-operation of the province of Quebec, children will be examined in regard to the condition of their teeth at the sanitary unit referred to. At the same time, the Department of Health, which has been carrying on a campaign to impress parents with the importance of preserving the teeth of their children, will advocate through propaganda of all forms, including lectures and pamphlets, the necessity for children of dental hygiene. At the sanitary unit the children after being examined by attending dentists will, if it is thought advisable, be referred to the family dentists. In all the school in that district to the public at large.

Hon. Mr. David, on making the announcement in connection with the new departure in dealing with a serious problem, stated he had been given to understand that the various school commissions interests would willingly co-operate by allowing the necessary space to carry on the work. Should this experiment prove a success it is most likely that a province-wide practical campaign will be started in connection with dental prophylaxis.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. EARL CHAPPEL

There passed peacefully to her eternal reward at Bradalbane on the morning of December 13th, 1930, the soul of Mrs. Earl Chappell at the early age of 21 years and 9 months. She was a long sufferer but bore her suffering patiently and was never heard to murmur or complain. She always greeted everyone with a smile. All that Doctors or nursing could do was of no avail. Her spirit gently took its flight to be with Him who gave it. She was attended to and comforted in her great illness by her beloved pastor the Rev. Mr. Pathrope. There are left to mourn besides her sorrowing husband, one daughter, George, also her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Somers and two sisters Muriel and Dorothy at home who were with her when she passed away.

Her funeral was held on December 15th and despite the terrible storm was largely attended by friends who came to pay their last respects. There was a short service at the house after which the remains were forwarded to the church at North Granville. There the Rev. Mr. Pathrope spoke very feelingly to the bereaved ones. After which the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at North Granville, there to await the glorious resurrection. The pall bearers were James and Elton Somers, Rowland Holland, Cleveland Somers, Fred and Reuben Chappell.

ALLIED SERVICE

MONTREAL Que., Dec. 22, Holders of the Russian St. George Cross, equivalent to the British Victoria Cross, attended a special service in the Russian Orthodox Church of Canada, Champlain street, recently. Some of them were decorated for heroism in the far off days of the Boxer rising in China, others being winners of the coveted distinction during the Great War. The sermon was preached by Bishop Arseny. None sat during a ceremony which lasted upwards of two hours and it half. Some of the women in the ecstasy of their devotion bent their heads till they touched the floor.

Dorothy Dix Letter Box

Are You Safe in Adopting a Child?—Which is Justified: the Husband, Who Complains of His Wife's Working Outside the Home, or the Wife, Who Helps Support the Family?

Dear Miss Dix—Your comments in your column a few days ago on the subject of adopting children interested me particularly, as we have two adopted children in our family. We have a very wonderful boy now nearly 8 years old, whom we took when he was 1 month old. We also have a lovely girl, who is a little more than 2 years old now, who came to us at the age of 4 months. We could not possibly love them more if they were really our own, and, in fact, the thought that they are not actually our own hardly ever occurs to us. If any one wants to strike a big spark of fire they have only to suggest to my wife that if she ever had a child of her own she would love it more than she does her present family.



I am firmly convinced that environment counts far more than heredity. When you take a baby 1 or 2 months old and give it all the loving care and attention possible, it is bound gradually to absorb the atmosphere and environments of the parents and of the home. Many people who do not know that our children are adopted say how much one or the other resembles me or my wife.

Curiously enough, although our neighbors know that our children are adopted, they have come to take it for granted that these children are our children and no mention is ever made of its being otherwise. The time will probably come when we will tell our children that they are adopted, but when it does we shall merely tell them that we went out and from all the children in the world we selected them because we wanted them above all others. When children are adopted you can make up your mind that they are wanted a hundred per cent. W. F. S.

This letter comes from a very prominent professional man, and I publish it because it is not only an interesting human document in itself, but because it is such an eloquent plea for the most helpless and pathetic little creatures on earth, the poor little homeless and fatherless and motherless, unwanted babies.

Their feeble walls cannot reach the ears of the childless men and women whose homes are empty because there are no little feet pattering over the floors, no little voices making merry in them and whose arms ache to cuddle a baby in them. But perhaps some of those to whom parenthood has been denied will read this gentleman's letter and be made to realize what happiness they can find in a child that is a child of their spirit, if not of their flesh.

And surely there is no nobler and finer thing that any human being can do than to take a little nameless, loveless, homeless, parentless child and give it a mother's and father's love, a place in society and the chance to grow up in the right home atmosphere and under wise guidance. It changes the whole life of the child, and of its children and children's children, and is an influence for good that reaches out into eternity.

I get many letters from women who are lonely in their silent houses, who long for a baby to hug to their breasts, who want, as one woman put it, a child to sew for and tie blue ribbons on, and who are anxious to adopt a baby. Often their husbands are willing, but the busybody friends and neighbors warn them that they can never tell toward an adopted child as they would feel toward their own, and tell them that an adopted child would never care for them, and utter dismal prophecies about an adopted child breaking their hearts by turning out badly and so on.

On the principle that an ounce of experience is worth a ton of theory, Mr. W. F. S.'s letter is valuable because it is the experience of a man who has adopted two children, and who has found only joy and pleasure in it.

As for parents not loving the adopted child, one may dismiss that fear with a shrug of the shoulders, because only people who have the starved mother and father heart ever take upon themselves the burden and the expense of an adopted child. Also, all of us know from experience how foolishly fond we become of even a puppy or a kitten that we have taken when it was first born and was helpless and dependent upon us, and reared, and we are bound to recognize how much stronger this feeling would be in the case of a baby.

And we all know that children love those who are tender and kind and good to them without reference to the degree of consanguinity. Furthermore, we all know that no child would know the difference between its own mother and a foster mother unless it was told, and that adopted children are frequently far more devoted to the good men and women who have reared them than many children are to their own parents.

As far as heredity is concerned it is important, but not all important. Certainly environment is potent in forming a child's character, and the one who is reared up in the way he should go is mighty apt to walk the staid and narrow path, no matter what faults and weaknesses his parents may have had.

And, as a matter of fact, not many of us have such unblemished family trees that we can feel assured that our children would have been sound lumber if they were a part of it. There is always an Uncle Tom, or an Aunt Sally, or a Cousin John that we would hate to have our baby to take after.

But when people do adopt a baby they are wise when they tell the child it is adopted themselves, without leaving it to get the information from others.

You have to take a risk on what your own child is going to be, so why not take a chance on what an adopted child will be, and give yourself the interest of trying to make it a man or woman who will do honor to you and be a blessing to the world. DOROTHY DIX.

Dear Dorothy Dix—Do you think there is a chance of making a happy home with the wife working as a stenographer from 8 until 6? The family consists of husband, wife and 9-year-old girl. Do you think a man could be happy in that kind of a home, if so, how? Can a woman be a wife and a stenographer at the same time? MR. K.

Dear Miss Dix—What do you think of a wife who is willing to give up everything to go to work to help her husband support the family and to give her little girl advantages that she would not get otherwise, and who gives her entire earnings to the support and comfort of the home, and gets nothing but ingratitude from the husband whose appreciation would be pay itself? MRS. K.

Answer: These letters from a husband and wife came in the same envelope, and they present the two sides of a problem that is being argued in many a household and which is driving many a husband and wife asunder. The husband in this case is a little old-fashioned, as husbands are apt to be in their attitudes toward wives and the duties of wives. He wants his wife to stay in the home and work there and make him comfortable, and

Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Which is the more formal salutation, "My dear Paul," or, "Dear Paul"?

A. "My dear Paul" is the more formal.

Q. Who should give the bride away when there are no near relations?

A. An old friend of the family may assume this duty.

Q. What is the most important thing to consider when planning a dinner party?

A. The selection of congenial guests.

SON OF ARCHIVIST OF QUEBEC GAINS HIGH HONOR IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 22, Antoine Roy, of Quebec, son of Pierre-Georges Roy, the Canadian historian, and archivist of the Province of Quebec, has just been awarded the doctorate of the University of Paris for a treatise on Canadian history which he published in Paris at the end of November. The work is the culmination of months of painstaking research, and in awarding Mr. Roy the degree the jury of professors of the Sorbonne accorded him the highest possible mention.

The treatise is on the cultural life of Canada under the French regime. According to the time-honored custom of the university Mr. Roy had to present himself before a picked jury of professors to defend his work.

At this public event M. Pajot, the chairman of the examination board, in asking Mr. Roy to explain what he has tried to do, paid public tribute to the work of Mr. Roy's father as an historian and archivist.

M. Gustave Cohen, the second member of the examination board, at the beginning of his discussion of the thesis took occasion to refer to the pleasure it gave him to have a Canadian before him for this high degree, since he recalled his own friendship with Canadians at the front and the part played by Canada during the war. The professors were unanimous that the work was well-written and threw much new light on the life under the old regime, especially since Mr. Roy had had access to many unpublished documents in the archives here and in Canada.

Mr. Roy returns to Canada this month. As holder of a Province of Quebec scholarship he came aboard four years ago and immediately entered upon his researches, while at the same time studying at the Ecole des Chartes. While attending Laval University at Quebec he specialized in history. He is the author of a biographical work on his father's historical publications, and has contributed to a number of periodicals. He is a popular member of the Canadian Student's Society of Paris, and for two years held the position of secretary of that organization.

One of these substances was indol, described as most evil smelling stuff, which nevertheless gave a convincing twist to synthetic jasmín when added in the proportion of five drops to eight gallons.

The increasing purchasing power of those who use perfume, Dr. Allen said in his opening remarks, had permitted the manufacturers of perfume to spend large sums of money on research. They have learned, in their laboratories, to reproduce some perfumes perfectly and have invented many never known before.

Union Commercial College

WEEKLY SPELLING TESTS

Table with names and scores for spelling tests.

PERFUMES MADE BY STRANGE BLENDS

MONTREAL Que., Dec. 22, Antifreeze from the radiator of your car and a little of the essence of Limburger cheese combine to make a very nice perfume. This may seem very odd, but it is a fact confessed by Dr. C. F. N. Allen, of the chemistry department, of McGill University, in the course of a lecture on synthetic and natural perfumes. The combination sounded less terrifying when he spoke of the ingredi-

There Are Two Good Excuses For Icing

Some women make icing to cover up a poor cake. Others put it on the best of cake for some spoiled member of the family who refuses to eat it without icing. The finest icing will not atone for a poor cake. Neither will it improve the diet of these hard to please individuals. Plain cake excellently made, and eaten when it has just cooled, is delicious enough.

There are, nevertheless, two excuses for icing. They add a decorative note and they keep the cake moist (icing tremendously increases the fuel value of the cake, which is a bad feature for the fat and the Cysteptic).

If we busy women must make icings, then let us have those which can be put together in a few minutes and spread on the cake immediately. There is no fun in making an icing that requires as much as or more time and labor than the cake itself.

Most delicious icings may be made of fondant and fudges. If you make these occasionally and perfectly, mold some of either into a soft kneaded ball, put into a tightly-covered container, and store away in some cool place. When ready to use the cake, melt the fondant or fudge over warm (not hot) water in a double boiler, then spread quickly over the cake just cooled.

Or easier still, a tablespoon of cream or evaporated milk may be added to the fudge and the mass worked until smooth. If this is spread on a slightly warm cake the heat will melt the fudge just enough to give it a shiny surface.

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For The Cook

TOMATO JELLY SALAD

One quart canned or cooked tomatoes, 2 stalks celery, 1 medium-sized onion, small piece bay leaf, 2 teaspoons salt, 2 tablespoons sugar, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 2 tablespoons gelatine, 1/2 cup cold water, cayenne pepper. Add the chopped celery and onion to the tomatoes, and simmer for 20 minutes. Season and strain, and add the water if necessary to make one quart liquid.

Soak gelatine in cold water for five minutes, and then stir into the hot tomato. Pour into wet moulds, and when the jelly begins to thicken add green peas, chopped celery, parsley or hard-cooked egg slices. If a moussé is desired whip one-half cup heavy cream, and add to the plain jelly mixture when it begins to thicken. Then set in a cold place to give firm.

Comparative costs for the genuine and the synthetic products were given by Dr. Allen at the close of his address. The oil of jasmín, which has always been worth \$150 a pound, may now be had in synthetic form for \$16 and the speaker said he did not believe anyone in the Dominion of Canada could distinguish it from the natural. Must, which was always worth \$480 a pound, may now be had for \$3 and the best grade for cats was required to produce it. Now \$6.75 a pound. The oil of Rose, which there are two synthetic perfumes, one of musk and another similar perfume whose essence is secreted by the civet cat. In the past the annual consumption of musk, which is secured from the musk deer, has been about 1,200 kilograms. Since less than an ounce of musk can be secured from one animal some 85,000 of them were killed annually. The musk thus secured was worth five million Swiss francs. From the civet cats 2,300 kilograms of perfume were taken. This was estimated to be worth a million francs, and 3,000 cats were required to produce it. Now there are two synthetic perfumes, one of musk and muskone, which practically reproduce these two odors.

Which is right and which is wrong? Both are, both right and wrong. But I think that inasmuch as the husband objects so strenuously to his wife working outside of the home she will be wise to give it up as long as he makes a living. If she keeps on with her job she is sure to love her husband, and most likely he is more necessary to her happiness than better clothes and more furniture. Evidently she hurts his vanity by being in business and she interferes with his comfort, and he can forgive her neither one.

Also, no advantage that she can give her 9-year-old girl is equal to the advantage of a mother's constant companionship and supervision. Far better for a child not to be taught music and French and the accomplishments than to be taught the things she will learn on the street, as she roams about wild while mother is at work.

He doesn't want a wife who has been working in an office all day and who comes home tired at night to slay any kind of a meal on the table.

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