

That Body Of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

BOIL IN OUTER EAR (OTITIS EXTERNA)

While we are all familiar with the appearance of a boil (furuncle) on the back of the neck or on other parts of the skin, we may forget that a boil can occur where it cannot be seen, that is, in the outer canal of the ear.

However, as most boils are caused by rubbing or pulling out of a hair, leaving an opening that is easily infected, a boil is not uncommon in this outer ear canal.

Active treatment of a boil of outer ear (otitis externa) may be divided into several parts: relief from pain or discomfort, cleansing of the canal, removal of any harmful condition present and of any condition which would aggravate such a condition, and restoring this outer canal to a normal healthy or physiological condition.

The first thought is that a boil or furuncle of outer ear is just the same as and does not differ from a furuncle elsewhere in the body. Small doses of X-rays may occasionally abort or prevent the development of a furuncle, but in most cases the boil is in a well-developed stage and the relief of pain is the first treatment necessary—external heat (heat in any form applied to outer ear), pain relieving drugs. Wicks saturated with Iodex ointment are inserted unless skin or lining of canal is broken, otherwise resatin-soaked-wicks are used.

When there is a continuous crop of these boils, diabetes may be the cause. X-ray

Better English

By G. G. Williams

- 1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I shall place my car at your disposal and we have an excellent show of winning if you will fix the broken carburetor."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "subpoena"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Ancestral, quarrel, laurel, irrational.
4. What does the word "traditional" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with pa that means "deficient in color"?

ANSWERS

- 1. Say, "I shall place my car at your disposal, and we have an excellent chance to win if you will repair the broken carburetor."
2. Pronounce su-po-eh-na, u as in sub, e as in pea, accent second syllable.
3. Irrational.
4. Handed down from generation to generation, especially by word only; as "traditional opinions" and "traditional customs."
5. Pallid.

treatments, toxoids, and vaccines made from the pus formed in the ear may be used.

In the meantime a search should be made for infection (teeth, tonsils, gums, large intestine), substances to which the patient is allergic (foods, pollen, dust, furs and feathers) and nervous and emotional disturbances.

Sometimes building up substances are helpful (vitamins, liver extract) and a little hurrying up of the body processes by use of thyroid extract.

While most of these boils of outer ear are greatly helped by heat in any form (hot applications, small hot poultices) which bring the boil to a head quickly—and it soon dries up—it may be necessary to consult the family physician to obtain satisfactory results.

Cook's Corner

CANADIAN BAKED BEANS

Wash 2 cups dry white beans and soak overnight in cold water to cover by an inch or more.

In the morning drain but save the liquid. Put through the food grinder all together 1/2 lb. fat salt pork with rind removed, 1 large onion, 1 clove garlic (optional), 1 green pepper, 6 large sprigs parsley and if and when on hand 2 or 3 canned or sweet fresh pimientos. Add to these ground ingredients 2 tablespoons maple syrup (or corn syrup) and 6 tablespoons catsup. Stir these through the soaked beans.

Add just enough fresh water to cover and simmer, covered, for 2 hours. Transfer to large bean pot (or 5-lb. lard pail), add bean liquor to cover beans and bake 4 hours at 300 deg. Fahr., uncovering during last 1 1/2 hours. Take a tip from the Bostonians and serve this with Boston brown bread and a crisp cabbage salad.

False Face

By E. C. Buley

CHAPTER XVIII

Continued

It was Miss Deborah's turn to explain, and with much emphasis she made clear all that she knew about Mr. Henry Smith.

"He's clever and accomplished," Miss Deborah summed up. "He began by deliberately bidding for her pity, with that monkey face, and a history of his past which I do not credit. And, apart from his face he is a sort of Admirable Crichton. He sings beautifully, he dances to perfection."

"M-m!" grumbled Peter, whose own accomplishments were modest enough. "Is he after her money, do you think?"

"No, Peter, he is a wealthy man. I have made sure of that. And he is genuinely in love with Marcia. All the silly girls rave about him; but he has no time for anybody but Marcia. He has to be taken seriously, Peter."

"I believe you," Peter said. "How do you feel about him, if it is a fair question?"

"Just as I feel when I am faced with anything that is unnatural," Miss Deborah answered promptly. "An ordinary ape I do not mind, but one of those trained apes that smokes cigars and washes the baby revolts me."

"But this man has nothing similar about him, except his face," Peter objected.

"All the same, he makes me think of an over-trained chimpanzee," Miss Deborah complained. "And I don't believe his pathetic account of his past."

"I can check up on that," Peter said thoughtfully. "Doctor Lepine is a famous surgeon; that gives me solid ground for a start."

"And what else?" Miss Deborah asked.

"Play upon Marcia's curiosity," Peter said promptly. "She has her share, as we both know. She will not descend to ask questions, but there is a chance that she expects me to try to explain. Either personally; or, now, through you."

"I'll tell her nothing," Miss Deborah said grimly. "If she begins hinting, I'll refer her to you. But she will be furious with us both, Peter."

"I expect as much," Peter agreed. He had opened a drawing book, and was now sketching in crayon, the figure of an athletic young man in a swimming suit.

"He certainly looks very fine, when you do not see his face," Miss Deborah remarked, looking over his shoulder. "Why do you leave that blank, Peter?"

"Because it does not belong to him," Marchant answered, busy with Smith's figure from another aspect. "By his own account, his face is an artificial affair; a mask. I am having inquiries made, and it may be useful to present the real Smith, without his facial disguise."

"Disguise," Miss Deborah repeated. "That is the idea I have been trying to express. That ugly face is a fraud, Peter."

"I'll draw him every way," Peter promised. "A man without a face, I'll get hold of his finger prints. I'll have him traced somehow. And between ourselves, I don't believe that Marcia likes him any more than we do."

Whether Marcia really liked Henry Smith or not, she certainly resented the calculated indifference displayed by Peter.

At lunch time her manner to Marchant was frigidly cool, and as soon as the meal was finished, she and Smith went off to tennis together, without any suggestion that Peter should be included in their plans.

On the following morning Marchant received the first report from Keogh.

"We have questioned the 'Berlinia's steward,' the detective wrote. 'The man who posed as Peter Marchant kept to his cabin, and bribed the steward handsomely to say that he was indisposed. Miss Soanes, when inquiring at Southampton, was told that Mr. Marchant had landed at Cherbourg, and had been incapable throughout the voyage, owing to indulgence in intoxicants.'

"Even more interesting is the steward's statement that this man, presumably Truscott Whalen, attended the masked ball held on the 'Berlinia' on the night before reaching port. He did not stay in the dance-room long, but long enough to dance with Miss Soanes."

"The steward, who never suspected that his passenger was none other than Mr. Marchant, describes him as a very handsome

Wed Recently In Charlottetown



Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Mather are shown above following their marriage at the Bishop's residence on November 27th. In the front row are Mr. Mather, his bride, the former Wilma McCabe, and following are their attendants, Mrs. Mary Hailes and Mr. Winson Judson.

Household Scrapbook

By Roberta Lee

The Flower Pot

Be sure never to close up the hole at the bottom of the flower pot, as the plant needs the air at its root to be healthy. Place a few cinders over the hole if you are afraid the dirt will fall through.

Chamois Gloves

When washing chamois gloves use soap lather with several drops of ammonia. Put on the gloves and rub in the lather as if washing the hands, then wipe them dry with a linen cloth.

Jelly Jars

There will not be so much breakage of jelly jars if they are heated, then set on a cloth wrung out of hot water and the jelly or fruit poured in slowly.

The Stars Say --

By Genevieve Kemble

For Tomorrow

A HAZARDOUS and perplexing day may be expected from the conflicting auguries. Things may be slow and difficult, with frustrations and clashes to be deftly manipulated. There may be opposing forces, as well as lack of funds or co-operation from influential sources. There could be a surprising turn to interfere with unusual plans, with unforeseen loss. A lucky stroke could prove profitable, setting lagging affairs into action.

For the Birthday

Those whose birthday it is are urged to take precaution against loss of funds, possessions, or failure of promised co-operation counted upon. Delays, setbacks, frustrations, postponements are probable. However, some unforeseen turn or twist to events could develop surprising angles of an encouraging nature. But do not overleap the bounds of expectation. A child born on this day may have a life of change, chance, setbacks and unforeseen turns of the tides. Its expansive and enthusiastic nature may over-reach cherished plans or ideals.

pleasant, and liberal young man. He excuses himself for misleading Miss Soanes by saying that if Mr. Marchant wanted to avoid the lady, and skip off to Paris, it was no affair of his.

"This information already gained seems to me to make inquiry in Paris doubly important. I am inclined to doubt very much the truth of the story," Whalen met his death there, in the fashion indicated by your American informant."

Peter considered this report for a long time, before writing to Keogh. Then he sat down and enclosed half a dozen of his figure sketches, showing Henry Smith in various unconscious poses.

"I want to know if the man I have drawn suggests Whalen in any way," he wrote. "I will send more drawings, and better finished ones, if you find them in any way useful."

To be continued

ELLEN'S DIARY

By An Island Farmer's Wife

Yes, we may find the returns of another's good farming years after his hands are forever stilled; and as well, see the effect of some careless steward of the soil in an age when his name has all but been forgotten. In luxuriant crops, one may read still the story of some forebear's cold March trip down the river to the mud-digging; in the same sight we may recall that a father or grandfather was one who always kept a goodly "passel" of stock.

This evening James introduced an item in our stock-taking. "It's those horses," he said soberly, of those occupying stalls in the new stable at Alderlea. "They're, well, you may say, nothing but a bill of expenses nowadays. Yes," he nodded. "They scarcely know the feel of harness. Four of them — when the team would do easily all that is required . . . and at that have 'kings' times!"

"Well," one of the Family suggested, "why not sell a pair? Look at all the beeves that could be raised instead!"

"But which ones would you part with?" one of the children asked curiously. A smile went around in which James did not join.

"Not the Nell-mare for sure," the child continued, "she's to be kept for the rest of her days, isn't she?" James nodded. "Oh, we couldn't very well do without her," he said.

"There's her filly," we suggested. "Her filly!" Gage echoed, "she's one that just can't be sold, I know that! She has to be the driver!"

"I guess it's something like the mother of a number of children," someone chuckled. "No matter how many there are, there's not one to be given away!"

"James smiled, rather relieved we fancied to lay things as they were. 'All the same,' he said seriously, 'it's not good farming!'"

This day brought us the announcement of Ellen's marriage — young Ellen, that is, niece and namesake of ours and consequently always of much esteem and interest to us . . . We sat down to open it while the dinner then in preparation was mingling its various aromas in a tantalizing bouquet of cooking in the kitchen.

Joint of lamb there was, from one kept for the larder at Alderlea; turnip and potato, to which pots we must frequently turn our attention for fear of burning, in reflection of promised mild weather ahead. Peas were heating in a pan beside the steaming tea-table; the dessert, today a pudding powder often favored by this cook to the diet, had been made before this; and all was well in respect to our mid-day meal at this house "in the road."

We recognized at once the neat script on the envelope, knew too its distinctive shape and texture . . . "There, Ellen," James comments now in the silence, placing his mittens of today on the warming oven to dry, all work over and done," seems to me there's a hole or two in these. They need to be mended. Oh, you needn't do it right away — just some time before the morning!"

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

Dime's Worth

Dennis was taken to his first harvest festival. Among the offerings of fruit and flowers, and bunches of purple grapes greatly look his fancy. When the offertory box came round he put in ten cents and said, confidently, "Grapes, please."

Modern Etiquette

By Roberta Lee

Q. Are the bride and bridegroom supposed to receive any congratulations of their guests in the church? A. No; they should not receive any congratulations in the church, but should proceed at once to the place where the breakfast or reception is to be held.

Q. Is it proper to issue engraved invitations to a cocktail party? A. Only on strictly formal occasions. Generally, these invitations are extended over the telephone or by personal contact.

Q. What is the correct thing to say when someone apologizes over the telephone for getting the wrong number? A. "Certainly," or, "That is quite all right."

How Can I . . .

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I get longer wear from brooms and mops? A. Always hang brooms and mops from a wall. If they are left standing on the floor, the bristles or fibres weaken and rot. An excellent hanger can be fashioned by fastening two empty spoons about two inches apart to the wall.

Q. How can I give a different flavor to applesauce? A. Try folding stiffly-beaten egg whites into the apple sauce. Chill and before serving, garnish with chopped crystallized fruit.

Q. How can I soften the cuticle? A. Ordinary table butter is effective for softening the cuticle around the finger nails.

Alice Brooks Designs

Morning Smile

Hiding Place

Mother had bought father a new hat. "I wonder what would go best with it?" she said coyly, as she held it up.

Father eyed the violent-colored horror and replied briefly: "A beard!"

LONDON — (OP) — "Miracle patient" Harold Burniston, 52, recovered in hospital nine days after being found shot through the head. The bullet entered his skull at an angle below the temple, passed around the brain and emerged from the back.



DOROTHY DIX'S COLUMN

Mannerless Jesting

Yokel, Who Ridicules Fiancee, No Bargain As A Husband

DEAR MISS DIX: In a year I plan to marry a man I have known for four years. We get along well by ourselves, but in company he is ready to embarrass me in many ways, such as making fun of my rather protruding teeth. I can laugh this off once in a while, but sometimes it gets the better of me. If I mention it to him he always says, "Well, you know I don't mind it." How am I to know whether he means it or not? Is he just plain ignorant, or will he get over it some day?

LUCY

ANSWER: The qualities of consideration and thoughtfulness are just about head of the list of important factors in matrimony; they are also a gauge of good-husband material. No man lacking these virtues will ever be successful as a husband; he falls the first test to prove that he would make a woman happy. Such apparently small matters as your fiancee's snide remarks about a physical imperfection are actually major failings that should make you stop, short now and thoroughly analyze the man's character. Be absolutely sure on one point: Any weakness in his attitude toward you will be magnified a hundredfold after marriage. These things never diminish—they multiply and flourish. Your possibilities for happiness with such a thick-skinned individual are extremely remote, and marriage with him is a risky affair.

CHEAP IDEA OF HUMOR

Your chief role in his marital life will be as the butt of tasteless jokes, the object of ridicule. People of weak character, insecure in every position of life, uncertain of their own ability to create happiness about them, are prone to this type of so-called humor. The only way they can get into the limelight is by casting reflections on their companions—whether friends or family. It is pathetic to watch a friend strive in this ignoble fashion for attention; it is tragic to hear a husband verbally tear his wife to pieces in the conviction that he is thereby elevating himself to prominence in the eyes of on-lookers.

A man, who is sincerely in love, automatically overlooks faults in his beloved, be they physical or temperamental flaws. In fact, every man and woman has plenty of imperfections to overlook in a mate.

Try to observe your young man with a detached eye and decide whether or not you honestly believe he will make a good husband.

DEAR MISS DIX: We have moved into a new neighborhood and my ten-year-old daughter is having a difficult time making friends. She was quite popular in our old neighborhood and I am at a loss to see my reason for her present loneliness. I urge her to go out and try to join other children in their games, but it does no good. Do you think I am pushing her too much, by discussing this unpopularity with her?

MRS. H.

ANSWER: You are possibly doing great harm if you nag the child about her inability to make friends. A new neighborhood group can be as difficult for a child to break into as for an adult. If you are friends with your new neighbors, that should provide an entering wedge for the child. The best thing to do would be to drop the whole subject as far as the little girl is concerned, and get her interested, as casually as possible, in some group movement like the Girl Scouts. She needs a completely new outlook.

DEAR MISS DIX: If two people in their late fifties become engaged, does the man, as a rule, give the lady an engagement ring? J. K.

ANSWER: This is a matter of individual choice, but if the lady wants an engagement ring, buy it for her.

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