

# Women and Their Interests

## WHY MY HUSBAND LEFT ME

By DOROTHY DIX.

"I lost my husband," said the ninth woman, "through trying to cut him over according to my own little perforce pattern of what a man should be and think and wear."

"The chief feminine vice is the mania we women have for reforming things. We never can be satisfied to attend to our own business and let other people manage their affairs as they like, and there isn't a mother's daughter of us who doesn't believe in her secret soul that if the Almighty had consulted her at the creation of the world a lot of blunders could have been avoided."

"Above all, every woman holds to the faith that if her husband would only become as clay in her hands she could fashion him into a thing of beauty and wonder that would astonish the world. No matter how much a woman admires a man, or looks up to him, or loves him, she wants to change him. It's the same spirit that makes her shift around the furniture in her house to suit her own taste after she's paid a professional decorator a thousand dollars to arrange it for her."

People often marvel that an otherwise sensible woman will marry a drunkard or a rake, and they wonder why she does it. The answer is plain. The drunkard or the rake offers such gorgeous and limitless reformation opportunities to her that she can't resist the temptation.

"I married an admirable young man who was moral, sober, industrious; a man any woman might have been glad to take as he was and thank God on her knees for what she was getting. Nevertheless, the curse of my sex for altering things was upon me, and I distinctly recall that even in the days of our betrothal I used to enjoy myself by thinking that as soon as I was married to Sidney I would change the way he had his hair cut to

and the style of collars he wore, and buy all his neckties myself.

**THE THEORY IN PRACTICE.**

"No sooner had we returned from our honeymoon than I proceeded to put my amiable theories into practice. I overhauled his wardrobe and threw away all of his clothes that did not meet with my taste, although in doing so I discarded on old coat or two and a pair of well-worn slippers upon which he placed a ridiculous value. I also put a strict taboo on free and easy dressing at home and forced him to make an elaborate toilet for dinner every night."

"If I was good enough to dress up for before we were married, I am good enough to dress up for after we are married." I would say, which was an unimpeachable sentiment, but resulted in his staying downtown for dinner on the days when he was especially tired or rushed with work.

"Sidney was a man or nearly forty when I married him. For twenty years he had lived about in hotels and clubs, and he was by way of being a bit of an epicure. He liked dainty food, highly seasoned, and elaborate sauces, and had eaten them with no perceptible harm to his digestion. I had been reared on the plainest of cooking, and I conceived it my duty at once to reform my husband's taste in eating, and after we were married he never drank a glass of wine in my presence without being obliged to listen to a temperance sermon or ate a morsel of food that he really relished without my warning him how bad it was for his stomach."

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see plays that were improving instead of the gay musical comedies that he liked, and to put a final touch to my folly, I even tried to polish up his manners according to my standards of elegance.

"In a word I became nothing but a critic on the hearth. I was a perpetual reminder to my husband of his faults. I was the thorn in the side of his vanity, and I was blind and stupid the only human being in the world that continually reminded him of what a poor weak creature he was, and to think that I made home attractive by making it the only place where he heard the bitter, stinging truth about himself."

"I did not have sense enough to know that by the time a man is grown up his tastes and habits are formed and that a woman interfering with these at her peril. I was not worldly wise enough to know that being reformed is about as pleasant as being skinned alive, and that no man marries to acquire a critic, and so I prepared my own doom."

"Every man must have some woman who admires him, who flatters him, some woman before whom he can pose as an oracle, some woman in whose eyes he is a little tin god—or who makes him think that he is. If he doesn't find this woman at home, he hunts her up elsewhere."

"My husband was no exception to the rule. I kept his vanity sore and bleeding, and he found another woman who spread the seeds on the wounds I dealt him. I tried to make him over, the other woman made him feel that he was perfection as he was. I criticized and she jollied, and I lost and she won."

"The story always ends that way. The woman who attempts to make over her husband always fails, but women keep on trying to do it. That's why there are so many of us divorcees."

## WITH THE NEW VEST EFFECT

A Smart Blouse Especially adapted to Winter Needs.

By MAY MANTON



8462 Blouse with Vest Effect, 34 to 42 bust.

Here is a blouse which shows distinctly new features. It is quite simple and severe enough to be made of linen or pique and it also is well adapted to the various tub silks and to combinations of materials. Since the washable silks launder quite as well as cotton and linen, it is easy to combine them and the effect is extremely handsome. In the illustration, striped tub silk is made with vest, collar and cuffs of white pique but, in the back view, white linen is combined with colored. The long plain sleeves are exceedingly fashionable but, in spite of that fact, many women prefer the shorter length and these can be cut off as shown in the back view. There is just fullness enough in the blouse itself to be becoming while the plain stitched vest gives a tailored finish.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 2 3/4 yds. of material 27, 2 3/4 yds. 35, 1 1/2 yds. 44 in. wide, with 3/4 yd. 27 in. wide for the vest, collar and cuffs.

The pattern of the blouse 8462 is cut in sizes from 34 to 42 inches bust measure. It will be mailed to any address by the Fashion Department of this paper, on receipt of ten cents.

Bowman's sell May Manton Patterns.

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We have shaved prices down to a shadow. We have sold Pianos to people within a radius of 300 miles of Harrisburg, a man don't have to be clever to pay \$500 for a piano. The only thing necessary in that case is to have the \$500. But look at what we are doing. Pianos that have sold at \$500 are now reduced \$90, \$110, etc. \$300, \$400 and \$450 pianos are all included, and all must go. There is no distinction. A 5-year old child can buy a piano just as cheap and as convenient a basis as the millionaire. Come in to-day or to-night. If not to-night DON'T FAIL TO COME TO-MORROW.



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## HOMICIDE CASES ARE NUMEROUS

State Board of Pardons Will Have Much to Do at the Meeting on Wednesday

Twenty-one of the fifty-four cases listed for consideration by the State Board of Pardons at its meeting on Wednesday involve homicide in one degree or another, the list being one of the largest of the kind ever known as such cases are concerned. The board has no less than forty-three applications for pardon, the greatest recorded for any meeting and it happens that Wednesday's session is the last for the board as at present constituted. The terms of the four members expire in January, although Secretary of Internal Affairs Henry Houck has been re-elected.

Two men sentenced to be electrocuted are asking commutation and one is asking a rehearing after having been refused. One man sentenced to hang is asking commutation and the case of another is pending. There are no less than eight second degree cases and two for manslaughter while two men granted commutation years ago are asking pardon. Another committed in 1896 is asking a rehearing for an application for pardon. Three applications for pardon by men convicted of homicide are held under advisement in addition to a first degree case.

The first degree cases are those of Rocco Tossone, Lancaster, and Geremia Acitello, Clearfield, sentenced to be electrocuted and Gregario Rizzato, Philadelphia, asking a rehearing. It also conceived it to be my duty to correct his grammar and his pronunciation, and to set him right when he made any statement that I did not consider historically accurate. I would elevate him, and to drag him to

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## "SELF DENIAL DAY" BEING OBSERVED IN HAGERSTOWN

Special to The Telegraph. Hagerstown, Md., Dec. 15.—To-day is being generally observed in Hagerstown as "self-denial day" by the citizens at the request of Mayor J. McPherson Scott for the purpose of aiding the fund being raised for the worthy poor of the city. All citizens are asked to abstain from the luxuries they usually enjoy for the day and to contribute the amount they would spend to the poor fund. The various organizations of the city will take charge of the proceeds of the day and see that they are properly distributed among the poor and sick people of the city for Christmas.

## Miss Fairfax Answers Queries

ASK HIM TO CALL.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX: I am twenty-five, and employed as a stenographer in a mercantile house. The man under whom I am directly employed is a widower, possibly thirty-eight or thirty-nine. He has always treated me with the utmost courtesy, kindness and dignity. Although he has frequently presented me with flowers and other small tokens, which attention other young ladies in the office did not receive, so that at times I believe he thinks considerable of me.

If opportunity offered, should I apologize for a slighting remark I made about him? At present I know he is not accepting social engagements. Would it be proper for me to invite him to call on me? L. S. M.

Apologize for your frivolity by all means. Then suggest in a quiet, dignified way that since the man has been so kind to you in the office, you thought you would like to suggest his coming to see you in your own home. He may not care to do so but it is perfectly proper under the circumstances to ask him. However your friendly advances, you can feel that he has treated you with the chivalry a real gentleman has for all women.

## ASK AN EXPLANATION.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX: About six months ago I met a young man, who after going with me for two months, asked me to become his wife. I asked him to ask my parents, which he did, and they having given their consent, we were preparing to be engaged.

Suddenly my intended informed me that he was in serious trouble and that our engagement would have to be postponed. He told me if I had other chances I should not discard them, as he did not know how things would turn out.

I am heartbroken, as my parents have asked me to give him up. On his birthday, one day last week, I sent him a card. Did I do wrong? He telephones occasionally. HEARTBROKEN.

You must either dismiss all thoughts of this young man from your mind or persuade your father to interview him as to the cause of his peculiar actions. Perhaps with the help of an older man he might be able to articulate himself from his trouble, whatever it is. In any case you ought to be informed as to the cause of your broken engagement.

## "DUNNING" A DEBTOR.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX: Will you kindly decide the following question: A son of a girl owes him money he has a perfect right to ask for same.

B says he should wait until the girl in question gets ready to pay it back. WILLIAM.

A girl should not borrow money from a man. If she does, he is free to treat her as he would any male debtor. Ask once for your money, but do not harass your debtor with duns.

## THE MARRIED WOMAN AS A WAGE EARNER.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX: Is there any shame or harm for a woman to work after she is married? I mean just for awhile to get things straightened up. Have a nice position and wouldn't know what to do at home all alone anyway. A CONSTANT READER.

Married women are more and more coming to see the wisdom of working and helping their husbands bear the financial burden. Keep on working and try to lay up something for a rainy day.

## JACOB BOWARD BURIED

Special to The Telegraph. Hagerstown, Md., Dec. 15.—The body of Jacob Boward, who died Saturday in Carlisle, Pa. was brought to this city yesterday and the funeral took place to-day, burial being in Rose Hill Cemetery. Mr. Boward, who was a native and former resident of Hagerstown, removed to Carlisle about three years ago. His death was caused by Bright's disease. His age was 62 years. Mr. Boward was a son of the late Joseph Boward, for many years court crier in Hagerstown.

## WANT NEW TROLLEY LINE

Marietta, Pa., Dec. 15.—The citizens of Marietta, a village of several hundred inhabitants above this place, are anxious for a trolley line to connect with Marietta. Several surveys have been made and from all indications the line will be started within a short time. Those at the head of the project are the representative men of the community.

## TRAINING CLASS GRADUATED

Hershey, Pa., Dec. 15.—Sunday evening a teachers' training class was graduated in the Derry Presbyterian Church. The class was organized in the Spring of 1913, with twenty-five members on the roll, under the leadership of the Rev. I. Moyer Hershey, who is now pastor of the Shamokin United Brethren Church. By special request he was present and preached an appropriate sermon.

## MISS BARBARA BOEDDE DIES

Lykens, Pa., Dec. 15.—Miss Barbara Boedde, who had been ill for more than a year died in Philadelphia on Saturday. Miss Boedde was engaged in the millinery and ladies' furnishings business for many years and was possibly the wealthiest woman in Lykens. She was one of the foremost members of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

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Harrisburg on Christmas morning we have already over 25 orders to deliver pianos Christmas eve. This means that we will deliver the pianos at ten o'clock Christmas eve after the children are gone to bed. How about your little girl, is she going to have one. Come down to this store, select the piano you want. We will look after the rest. Don't stay away because you cannot pay cash. The honest man with a two dollar bill looks just as good as a banker to us.

**MOTHERS**

the nation-wide crusade against vice is caused primarily by lack of attention to children's need for amusement in the home. You owe it to your children to see that they are provided with the necessary means of pleasure at home. If you do not make the home the playground of your daughters they will look for it elsewhere and they will find it on the street corners and the dance halls, under conditions that are not always ideal. What are the few miserable dollars that one spends for a piano compared to the heartache that follows a wayward child. Do your part. Provide your children with home pleasures. A piano is the one sure way of keeping the children at the fireside, under your own eyes. Come to this store—select your piano now—save \$100.

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