

Reading for Women and all the Family

"When a Girl Marries"

By ANN LISLE

A New, Romantic Serial Dealing With the Absorbing Problems of a Girl Wife

CHAPTER LXXVII. By the time Evvy and I brought in the tea and toast she had suggested making my Jim and Father Andrew...

Bringing Up Father

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MAKING THE MOST OF OUR CHILDREN

A Series of Plain Talks to Parents

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Fine Auction of Tools Sold at Auction Near Dillsburg

Dillsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—A large crowd attended the sale of the personal property of the late H. E. Williams Saturday afternoon.

PAYS FOR CLOTHING

Mexico, Mo.—Miss Geneva Criswell of Vandalia this week was paid \$55 through the county circuit court for the loss of her graduating wardrobe and thereby hangs an interesting court story.

MRS. JACOB BENDER DIES

Millsboro, Pa., Dec. 24.—Jacob Bender, aged 35 years, died at his home in Monaghan township, on Friday night, from pneumonia.

SOLDIERS RETURNING HOME

Millsboro, Pa., Dec. 24.—Discharged Millsboro soldiers are returning to their homes here. Lieutenant Kenneth Uish, who had been an instructor at Rhode Island State College, has been discharged from the service and is home.

A mother once said to me: "Why do so many parents ask how to cure thumb-sucking? What's the harm in letting a young child have his thumb if he wants it? He will soon drop the desire."

But the fact of the matter is, the majority of children do not soon drop the desire. On the contrary they become more and more attached to the habit the longer they practice it.

This habit if long continued, causes the upper front teeth to be pushed outward and gives the face a bad appearance. To say the very least, thumb-sucking is a useless habit and you should not want your child to be a slave to any habit that is not useful.

Let us discuss a typical case: "What would you suggest to cure a youngster of the habit of sucking his thumb?" writes a father. "Harold has sucked his thumb ever since he was a year old and does it yet at the age of 3 1/2 years."

Your little son's habit is like that in nature. In the sense that it is more natural to do it than not.

Perhaps the most hopeful plan that you have now of eradicating the habit is to make an appeal to the child's self interest by means of an attractive reward.

I will suggest for your benefit, a possible conversation. "Oh! Harold, come here, I have something awfully good to tell you—that's right, sit right up here on father's lap. I've been thinking about getting you a fine, new tricycle—one on which you can ride and go very fast. Say, that would be just fine, wouldn't it? Would you like to see it when I go down town next week?"

Your son will say yes, or nod his head at this point. Then say, all right, there is only one thing I want to speak to you about before getting this tricycle and that is this: Starting with to-morrow morning you will keep your hands away from your mouth just like father and everyone else.

Remember, when I see you with your thumb should hop into your mouth, when you were not thinking about it, why I would not keep the tricycle away from you then, because you look it out as soon as you could, after you thought about it. So, we'll leave it that way. Starting

with to-morrow, you will keep your hands away from your mouth. I know you'll want to all the time because father and mother do and besides we shall certainly have a good time with the tricycle, shan't we?"

The first thing the next morning begin to lodge the suggestion that he is going to act like a grown-up. Almost before he even has time to put his thumb into his mouth, approve him this fashion: "I know you would succeed. See! you have kept your hand down just like I said you would. Remember, if your thumb should ever hop into your mouth when you are not thinking, take him out quickly and it will be all right. If you watch old Mr. Thumb for two or three days, he won't try so hard to get in any more. Watch him very closely to-day and tell me at noon and this evening how you succeed."

Do not at any time hastily threaten him concerning the tricycle, because the effect of the method may be weakened or lost in this way. Be patient and optimistic. If you see the thumb in the mouth, assume that he has forgotten and that he will take it out as soon as he thinks, or when you remind him. Maintain a spirit of encouragement and show absolute confidence in his success. Tell others of his success in his presence.

The idea in the method suggested is to make the child want some particular thing so badly that he will decide in his own mind that it is "worthwhile" to sacrifice his thumb-sucking. If you feel that a tricycle is not the proper incentive, choose some other desired object that you are sure will be.

After you have persuaded him in the proper way to make the attempt to stop the habit, then make an unusual effort to please him and see that he has a good time for a few days. Fill his days so full of interesting activity that he scarcely will have time even to think about his thumb.

The mother or some responsible person should co-operate in applying this method and supervise the boy in his play during the father's absence. By playing a great deal with the boy, watching him closely and showing him that you really expect him to keep his hands away from his mouth, a practical cure likely will result.

Dr. Donald H. Currie, Authority on Leprosy Yields to Pneumonia

Brookline, Mass., Dec. 24.—Dr. Donald H. Currie, of the United States Public Health Service, port physician of Boston and regarded as one of the foremost authorities on leprosy in America, died at his home here yesterday of pneumonia, resulting from influenza.

Dr. Currie was ordered to Boston from Honolulu in August, 1917, after eight years spent in the Hawaiian Islands in the service of the government. His research work among the lepers on the island of Molokai, the government leper station, attracted the attention of medical men throughout the world.

Calendar Is Cleared of Harrisburg Jitney Cases

The Public Service Commission this afternoon cleared its calendar of the remaining Harrisburg jitney cases. The jitney appeals were practically thrown out of court by the Superior Court ruling of a few weeks ago in Philadelphia, and this disposition of the matter, the jitneys being practically out of business.

CHILDREN ON FARMS. Seattle, Wash.—Twenty-one thousand children in the state of Washington are enrolled in agricultural and stock clubs through the efforts of Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, in charge of boys' and girls' agricultural clubs in this state under the direction of the United States Department of Agriculture. Mrs. Jones is now going to British Columbia to organize clubs among the children there.

To Our Many Friends and Patrons

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Sailors Can Draw Wages at Every Port Touched

Washington, Dec. 24.—In its first interpretation of the La Follette seamen's act, the Supreme Court yesterday declared constitutional the sections requiring the payment of wages to seamen, but limited its application to foreign vessels only while they are in American waters.

When Your Liver is out of Order

You know the signs—a heavy head, sick stomach, bad taste in the mouth, latent dyspepsia. Pay strict attention to these symptoms and get prompt relief by using Beecham's Pills. A few doses will stimulate the liver, help the stomach, regulate the bowels and make a great difference in your general feeling. Nothing will put you on your feet so quickly as a dose or two of BEECHAM'S PILLS.



Cattle Buying For Swift & Company

Swift & Company buys more than 9000 head of cattle on an average, every market day. Each one of them is "sized up" by experts. Both the packer's buyer and the commission salesman must judge what amount of meat each animal will yield, and how fine it will be, the grading of the hide, and the quantity and quality of the fat. Both must know market conditions for live stock and meat throughout the country. The buyer must know where the different qualities, weights, and kinds of cattle can be best marketed as beef. If the buyer pays more than the animal is worth, the packer loses money on it. If he offers less, another packer, or a shipper or feeder, gets it away from him. If the seller accepts too little, the live-stock raiser gets less than he is entitled to. If he holds out for more than it is worth, he fails to make a sale. A variation of a few cents in the price per hundred pounds is a matter of vital importance to the packer, because it means the difference between profit and loss. Swift & Company, U. S. A. Harrisburg Local Branch, Seventh & North Streets F. W. Covert, Manager