

TO TEACH COURTSHIP.

A College of Lovemaking, to Confer Degrees, is the Very Newest Thing Out.

Hereafter when a young man throws himself at the feet of a young woman and pleads in ardent terms the depth of his love for her he may be asked to show his certificate, says the Chicago Tribune. Lovemaking is to be elevated to the plane of the science. A college has been established in Atwood, Tenn., where degrees will be conferred, and in the future you note D. L. after a name you will know the person bearing it has been a student there. The letters D. L. stand for Doctor of Love, and that is what Prof. T. J. Brooks, who has established the school, proposes to make of all those who enroll their names on his roster.

The unique seat of love training is known as the College of Courtship. The aim of the founder is to help all those whose amatory education has been neglected. He has surrounded himself with a corps of competent instructors and is ready for the Spring rush.

Students in the College of Courtship will be taken through several degrees before they become Doctors of Love. The college course is to consist of four terms. There will be an elective course for the degree of Bachelor of Hearts, to consist of three terms, as well as a post-graduate course for the degree of Experienced Benedict.

In the freshmen term the studies, which are mostly non-elective, will consist of recitations and lectures upon meteorology, language, tokens, diagnosis, driving with one hand—including the choice of a horse—botany, department, finance—as applied to candy, flowers and theatre tickets—the management of gas jets and the control of clocks.

DETAILS OF THE CURRICULUM.

During the second term the students will take up the art of salutation, style in letter writing, engagement rings, the management of younger brothers, the dangers of the tinsy and the law of breach of promise. During this term, too, attention will be paid to general outdoor work, and there will be moonlight excursions and visits of observation to the parks.

In the senior year the prescribed studies will follow the same general line, but in addition each student will be required to show familiarity with his or her studies and must be able to satisfy the examiners in the three subjects of "ability to arouse interest, the discouragement of rivalry and the art of expressing affection." The degree of Bachelor of Hearts will only be granted when a student can bring forward a girl who believes in him under all circumstances, while the post-graduate degree of Experimental Benedicts will only be conferred upon graduates of the college who, after a year of marriage can display certificates, signed by their wives, making affidavit that they have never regretted their choice.

FEW UNDERSTAND LOVEMAKING.

The plan of the College of Courtship is based on Prof. Brooks' belief that the average young man does not know how to make love to the average young woman and that the young woman of to-day does not understand the art of being loved by the modern young man. In his opinion the manifestation of love, of tenderness and of devotion are matters which can be taught to those whose bashfulness or lack of initiative prevents them from seeking their affinity in love. Spontaneity is all very well for those who have it, says Prof. Brooks, but for those who are without this accomplishment a course of scientific lovemaking is the best substitute.

The chief object of the faculty of the College of Courtship will be to reduce lovemaking to an exact science. The matter has been so carefully studied by the skilled psychologists attached to the college that they are now able to predicate, with mathematical exactness, just what a girl will do under certain circumstances and what reply she will make to the preliminary advances of a student of the opposite sex who follows the prescribed course in his lovemaking.

MISTAKEN IDEAS ABOUT GIRLS.

The faculty particularly wishes to rid the public mind of certain set notions concerning girls and their ways which they believe to be erroneous. For instance, they wish the students early in their freshmen year, to abandon the idea that the average girl doesn't know her own mind for two minutes together. Professor Brooks says that as a result of only two months' instruction at the College of Courtship he is now able to exhibit several girl students who can maintain a decision for 30 minutes without winking or drawing a fresh breath. He hopes to be able to increase this period of endurance to an hour later

on. Professor Brooks is equally proud of another student of the same sex, who, when asked her age, will tell it correctly, instead of saying: "How old do you think I am?" These two instances, he says, afford valuable evidence of the work that can be accomplished by scientific instruction in the preliminaries of lovemaking.

LECTURE UPON LANGUAGE.

The work of developing his ability in both sexes is begun early in the freshman year, when lectures upon "Languages" are delivered. The book upon this subject was especially prepared for the classes by Professor Adleit, author of that well-known monograph entitled, "Studies in the Molar Dentition of Ducks." The object of the work is to provide a series of carefully planned conversations, so that students, while reciting their lessons in pairs, will be enabled to make love to one another in the proper, scientific and collegiate way. Under the caption of "How to Make Love to a Red-Headed Girl," for instance, the following improving dialogue is given:

He—How beautiful your hair looks with the sun upon it. It reminds me of spun gold.

She—Do you really think so?

He—Of course I do. I always liked red hair.

She—Well, I admire your eloquence. Red, indeed. My hair is not red. It's only red-brown. (She pulls a braid over the forehead and shows it.) Look at that! Do you mean to call that red?

He (looking in her eyes)—I don't see how I ever came to make such a mistake. Of course it isn't red. It is just the color of your eyes.

[Note to student—If her eyes are blue, omit preceding sentence and use following:]

He (continuing)—And now that you have lowered your eyes I see that your hair is just the same as your eyelashes and eyelids. Do you know that it is rare and pretty to see people whose hair, eyes, eyebrows and lashes are all the same color?

[Note to student—If her eyelashes and eyebrows are red you are up against it. Get another girl.]

She—Thank you.

He—I'll say "Thank you," too, if you will give me a little bit of that hair.

She—Whatever for?

He—What does a man ever want a girl's hair for?

She—Well, I don't always know. A man asked me for a bit of my hair once and I found out afterward that he wanted to make fishing flies out of it.

He—Well, he was wise. What fish could resist taking that bait?

She—That's not bad—for you. Next time I have a pair of scissors I'll give you a bait?

He—Well, here's your chance. (Produces folding scissors.)

(She takes them and snips of a small piece.)

She—Now, what good is that to you?

He—I'll wear it next my heart.

[Note to the student—Be careful not to put things into the hip pockets. It will spoil the object of the lesson.]

PREPARED FOR ALL CONTINGENCIES.

The succeeding steps of this particular lesson carry the red-headed student and her official suitor through an interesting and ingenious course of dialogue and then to a proposal and acceptance. The careful use of this text book, it is claimed, is calculated to give assurance to even the most bashful student. The lessons are so arranged that every contingency, both of complexion and disposition, are provided for. The student who has made conscientious progress through this work will, in the opinion of the faculty, be so well equipped with the requisites to scientific love-making that he will have no difficulty in striking a progressive conversation with any young woman he may be attracted, while a woman student who has been through the book will find it easy to make properly coy yet enticing replies to any suitor who may present himself.

In all other points the instruction to be given in scientific love-making will be equally thorough. The object of the "College of Courtship" is to impart a finished style to the love-making of its students. No graduate of the institute, for instance, will ever need to descend to such subtleties as saying, "If you love me, squeeze my hand!" He will know how to obtain an avowal by methods that are less crude. Lessons will be given also in the language of flowers and of stamps. These lectures will be finished productions, having nothing in common with "The rose is red, the

violet's blue, pickles are green—" and the rest of that ridiculous and antiquated school. Modern science demands better things in love, says Professor Brooks, and it will be the object of the institution to develop in its pupils the highest grade of art in love-making.

USE OF THE HUG TESTER.

As far as possible the students will be exercised without apparatus, but members of the faculty have devised several testing machines of such undoubted value that they will be used in the curriculum. One of the best of these, devised by Professor Stringer, is known as the "hug tester." It consists of a dressmaker's dummy, to the top of which is affixed a dial resembling that used on weighing machines. By an ingenious arrangement of springs attached to the waist of the figures the exact value of a hug in pounds avoirdupois can be estimated to a nicety. By its use Professor Stringer hopes to develop to the proper extent the arms of those young men whose hugs have hitherto lacked strength, while at the same time the machine will enable him to keep a watch upon those muscular persons who are unaware, perhaps, of the energy they are employing. These will be warned of their excess and will be shown the proper amount of pressure to exert. They will then be exercised upon the machine until they are perfect in the art. Professor Stringer mentions the sad case of a young man—not a student of the college—who, upon being accepted by the young woman to whom he was paying attention, cracked three of her ribs in his misguided efforts to be affectionate. Professor Stringer says the incident affected him so much that he at once set about the invention of a machine which should obviate such accidents in the future.

Prof. Brooks says that the result of his observation shows that there are 30,000,000 married people in the United States. The majority of these, says the founder of the College of Courtship, are unhappy they are enduring the life rather than enjoying it. This, he believes, is a condition which could be entirely prevented if the 30,000,000 had been graduated from his institution.

The College of Courtship at Atwood, Tenn., is now open for the reception of students, either for the regular or post-graduate course. The latter, necessarily, is for married people. It is designed to show quarrelsome couples the errors of their ways by causing them to take a special course of instruction in good temper. Professor Brooks says he expects there will be a great demand for the graduates of his college. Several scholarships will be granted to deserving young people who do not yet know how to make love.

Light on the Question.

A short time ago a large factory, fitted with electric lights, caught on fire, and in spite of the efforts of the fire brigade, was almost demolished. The following morning a newly-appointed member of the police force was dispatched to the spot with a view to ascertaining how the fire originated.

After closely interrogating the manager of the factory, he asked to see the man who was responsible for the electric light. The manager stated that the electric switches were under his sole control.

Policeman—Then you are the man who lights up the electric affair?

Manager—That is so.

Policeman (bubbling over with excitement)—Now, be careful how you answer my next question, 'cos if not satisfactory it will be took as evidence against you. When you lighted the electric light last night, where did you throw the match?

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Do Men Understand Women.

A man can very seldom tell what is passing in a woman's mind. He talks with another man and he can follow his processes; he gets his point of view; he can read between the lines; he can make a shrewd guess as to how he came to say that, or why he refrained from saying the other, says the Watchman.

But a woman's mental processes are not those of a man. Her mental machinery is geared differently. You hear what she tells you. You can make inferences from it; they will be wrong, because you do not know how she came to say what she did; you do not have the clew. Try to guess what she will say next and you will find that you are all at sea.

The man who says that he understands woman is himself a woman. He may love her. There may exist between his soul and hers that indefinable and celestial sympathy which is the sweetest thing on earth; but he does not understand her.

Her mental operation, her ways of thought, her point of view will always be as inscrutable to him as the mental processes of an angel. Whether women understand each other is not quite certain. A greater part of the delight that men find in the companionship of women arises from their inscrutability. You cannot measure or exhaust them.

Their charming inconsequence, as they seem to you, will never cease to puzzle you and every fresh conversation reveals a novelty of attitude or opinion.

As Clever As Solomon.

"Every Child Her Own Solomon" is a text that may come up for discussion in some of the clubs after the color question is disposed of now that little Miss Kohlsaat has argued and won a case of her own. The little girl lost a much-beloved pet dog some time back, and recently saw it riding in a carriage with a handsomely gowned woman. The carriage was going very slowly, and near the pavement, and the little girl delightedly called her pet by name. With a whine of joy the animal sprang from the vehicle and, running to little Miss Kohlsaat, began jumping about her and licking her hands for sheer joy.

"You can't have my dog, little girl," called the woman from her carriage, which had now drawn rein beside the curb.

"But this is my dog," said little Miss Kohlsaat.

"No, it is my dog," said the woman.

"I'll prove that it is mine," replied little Miss Kohlsaat with the blood born of determination and justice.

By this time quite a crowd of children and passers-by had collected, and the girl, with the dog in her arms, faced her antagonist as a lawyer faces a jury.

"Can your dog stand up and beg?" said she.

"Yes," answered the woman.

"Can he jump through a hoop?"

"Yes."

"Can he lie down and play dead?"

"Yes."

"Can he dance on his hind feet?"

"Yes."

"Can he say his prayers?"

"Yes."

Closing her arms tightly about the dog and starting to walk away the child cried triumphantly:

"Well, my dog can't. He is mine then."

And she won.

— To get old gracefully is as reasonable as to stop breathing cheerfully.

— When a strong man grows weak it is a woman he seeks for a crutch.

Same Advice to Both.

In passing judgment in the cases of men arraigned at the Central station on charges of intoxication, Magistrate Cunningham, although he frequently reverses himself, offers to each offender some sound advice.

Bill Jones, who had been found upon the public highway minus the faculty of navigation, was arraigned before him.

"Married or single?" asked the magistrate.

"Single, sir," replied the shaking culprit.

"You ought to get married. If you had a wife and family to occupy your attention you would have no desire to drink," said the magistrate. "I'll discharge you; but I hope you'll give to matrimony more thought than you have to liquor."

John Smith, who had also been arrested for being intoxicated, was next called.

"Married or single, John?" queried the magistrate.

"Married, your honor," was the prisoner's reply.

"Then you have no business getting drunk. Drinking should be done by single men who have no family to require their attention and cash. You ought to have remained single, then the damage you are doing would fall upon you alone. Go home and think it over."—Philadelphia Evening Telegraph.

No Color Line Drawn.

Lamar Landon, of Georgia, was holding forth last week at an informal reunion of the Southern Society in Sherry's says the New York Times. One of the tales of the South that was told was this:

A northerner who had never been below Mason and Dixon's line went down last winter. Guided through the country by an old negro, they reached the edge of a stream, and the traveler said to the darkey:

"What is that dark object in the water?"

"Oh, dat's a alligator, sah," was the reply.

"And what is that other dark thing over there on the sand?" was asked.

"Dat's a alligator, too, sah," the guide answered.

"Then these alligators of yours are amphibious creatures, are they?" queried the northerner.

The old negro scratched his head, pondered deeply, finally smiled knowingly, and answered:

"Oh, yes, sah; yes, sah. 'Course dey's amphibious. Dey eats niggers jest de same as white folks."

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Taking cold is the first step towards Catarrh, for it checks perspiration, and the poisonous acids and vapors which should pass off through the skin, are thrown back upon the mucous membrane or inner skin, producing inflammation and excessive flow of mucus, much of which is absorbed into the blood, and through the circulation reaches every part of the system, involving the Stomach, Kidneys and other parts of the body. When the disease assumes the dry form, the breath becomes exceedingly foul, blinding headaches are frequent, the eyes red, hearing affected and a constant ringing in the ears. No remedy that does not reach the polluted blood can cure Catarrh. S. S. S. expels from the circulation all offensive matter, and when rich, pure blood is again coursing through the body the mucous membranes become healthy and the skin active, all the disagreeable, painful symptoms disappear, and a permanent, thorough cure is effected.

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