

**A**FFAIRS of the HEART

By Mrs. Thompson

I dislike to counsel any woman to take her troubles to the divorce courts, but here is a case where I believe such advice is justified. I would, however, like to hear from some of my readers on the subject.

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I am a married woman of 35 and have one child. I am very unhappy at home with my husband. I married very young and almost all our married life he has been untrue to me. I stood it all for the sake of my child and worked hard for 20 years to help him along and

give our child an education. But now that our son is married, it seems my husband is worse than ever. We have a car and he goes out almost every afternoon with a married woman. I know this woman, and she often visits us in company with her husband. I don't think her husband suspects her, and I don't want to tell him what I know because he is of a very jealous nature and might kill them if he found out about them. I know that they are guilty because I could stand knowing it, so I told him I knew. He only laughed. I have been worrying about it so much that it is affecting my health. I don't want to make it all public because of my married son and his wife. What shall I do? E. W.

You cannot afford to allow such a situation to continue. If you cannot force your husband to end this disgraceful affair, then you

must appeal to the woman. If she does not end it, then the only course left is to go to the husband. After sacrificing yourself all these years, your claim to happiness is stronger than that of your child, and you should not continue to live with such a man. It would be easy for you to obtain a divorce and alimony, and it probably could be arranged so that it wouldn't be a local sensation.

**SEEKS TO SAVE HER SON FROM GIRL WHO PAINTS**

Dear Mrs. Thompson: My son is 19 years old and he is keeping company with a girl of 18. They have gone together almost two years now and I am beginning to worry because I am afraid their love for each other is serious. I don't like the girl's appearance at all. Her hair is bobbed and she uses rouge, lipstick and black on her eyelashes. She has pulled out most of her eyebrows so that there are only thin lines left. When I was a girl of her age only actresses and bad women painted. I think it is awful the way the girls of today fix themselves up. I know the girl my son goes with is not the only one who does it, but it hurts to know that he cares for a girl of that type. She is smart and pretty but that doesn't mean anything if she isn't good. Do you think a girl can be good and look that way? I have begged my son to go with other girls but he refuses to do so. What can I do to break up the affair?

**ANXIOUS MOTHER**

A painted face no longer means a bad character. Painting appeals to girls at a certain age. A painted face offends my sense of beauty, as it does most elders, but it does not imply bad morals. Opposition is the worst method to use with some people. Since you have expressed your opinion to your son and it

does not influence him, probably it will be wise for you to let him work out the matter himself. He is very young and there is every possibility that he will outgrow his love for the girl.

Loyalty and tolerance—it seems to me that these are the two greatest factors in a successful marriage. Most wives and mothers possess loyalty, fewer of them practice tolerance towards their husbands. Of course, husbands are also defective in these respects, too. Here is a case where I think the wife is in error in failing to stand back of her husband in his hour of need.

Dear Mrs. Thompson: Until a few months ago my husband and I were very happy. We owned our own home, a motor car, and did not owe anybody a cent. We have two lovely children. Now I am wretchedly unhappy. I have left my husband and gone to my mother's with our children. My husband went in with another man in an enterprise that took all of the money he had on hand. The other man has a very pretty wife, husbands alone. I know that my husband went to dinner with her a few times, but I don't think he made love to her. I knew about it at the time, and asked him not to go out with her, but he went anyway, saying that he had to for the sake of the business. A month ago there was a terrible scene between my husband and his partner, in which the latter accused my husband of being a wife-stealer. My husband didn't tell me about it—some one else did. For the children's sake I didn't make a scene with him, hoping that the incident would end the affair. But with my husband and his partner in a terrible mind towards each other, their enterprise was neg-

lected, and a few days ago it failed. Now the other man threatens to sue my husband for alienation of affections and wrecking the business. I felt that I couldn't stand it, and I couldn't stand having the children talked about by other children, so I came here to my mother's home. My husband begged me not to go, declaring that he was innocent, but he has not written me since I've been here. I'm afraid he has gone to drinking. My mother says I shouldn't go back over, but I'm in doubt. What would you do? L. R.

As long as there is any doubt regarding your husband's innocence, your place is at his side. It is possible that he was not having an affair with the other woman, and that the other man misunderstood. I would advise you to leave your children with your mother for the time being and go back to your husband. In the eyes of the community your husband is guilty, because you have left him. Go back to him and it will help him put up a braver front. And do not let the matter ruin your future happiness. If the community insists on ostracising you and your husband, then move to another one.

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