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he next room. "A morning like this makes me dream." wish some kind fairy would change Morse hardly waited for Mrs. Brownthis stiff chapeau into a sunbonned ing to finish speaking. "That's my and this suit into an old dress and work, market gardening! Just at pressweater: then if she would trans ent I'm managing a millionaire's farm form my bug into a rake and which out in Westchester county, but I've me away to Stonehilf-oh! what's the saved money enough to buy a place use of wishing? But I can just smell of my own, and I'm on the lookout that brown earth! Cheerlo, Rena! for one." . Only two months more of grinding "Stay to dinner with us, won't you, the elements of Latin into those flib- Mr. Morse," said Mrs. Browning, "and with a sigh-"we'll have oyster stew talking farm." for dinner; don't forget, Rena, to run The young man looked his acceptpers to correct and won't be home that way."

early." her in the face.

green fields themselves instead of in It was the evening before his va-

change in the temperature that after-tion to make.

she did she did with all her might. but-



Busily Scrubbing at a Coat.

absorption in her work, she dumped the fabric from her lap and hastened

"Let's see. Oyster stew. And I have stop to notice them. to go out after the milk." Taking a of nobody at all, "Now where's the of the paper the editor smiled and be ent method of painting. cover?" But that article eluded her gan reading it. search. "Well, I'll have to go with out it and mind my step, that's all. received a bill for his wife's and daugh-

emerged from the grocery carefully self and nodded approvingly. pail. Most of it spread out over the without a word. dark overcont of the stranger, trickling thence to the sidewalk.

I don't think it will show."

It has been said that the young cake." able again, that caused the stranger to accept the invitation with alacrity. may to look upon.

put, and good-natured gray eyes, looked on.

"Oh, mother!" Rena exclaimed, laughing, "this is Mr. Morse. I was just returning from the store with the milk and I ran straight into him furnling the corner, Most of the milk landed on his cout, so the least I could do was to offer to clean it off,"

Mrs. Browning shook hands with the young man. He told her he was spending a short vagation in the city. "You don't need to tell me-you're from the country," she said; "your Mrs. Browning placed a severe color gives you away. Sit down and straw sailor on her head and snapped tell us what the country tooks like the elastic under the heavy coils of this time of the year. We were longher brown hair. Then she buttoned ing only this morning to be there. her trig tailored suit, carrying on at We own a little house at Stonehill, the same time a conversation with upstate, and we hope some day to be ier daughter, who was dressing in able to buy a few more acres and start a market garden. It's our pipe

berty-gibberty girls' heads! Well"- we can have the time of our lives,

over to the store and get a quart of ance as the mother continued: "We'll loose milk. I have examination par fry the oysters; they'll be just as good

All through the dinner young Morse Rena, left alone, completed her talked mostly to the mother, but his tollet and hurried out. She didn't have eyes, somehow, turned oftener to the FIRE AIDS GROWTH OF PINE far to go, as her school was only daughter. He was much interested in three blocks away. On opening the the acres adjoining the Brownings Why Land That Has Been Burned street door a warm puff of air struck little country place, and inquired who lowned them. Then, waxing brave, he "Mother isn't the only one who told how lonesome he had been during would like to be at Stonehill today," his stay in the city, and wondered she sollloguized, "and grimy-faced whether, if he should get the tickets, kids get on one's nerves just as much they would go to a play with him.

month of April, there was a decided a piece of news to tell and a propositives burned over, and soon after the

Your mind seems miles away."

thony was visibly nervous.

asked Rena demurely, but with a laughing glint in her eyes. Morse! flushed, but somehow gathered courage, "No," he said holdly, "the proposal is to you, but I have a proposition to offer your mother. I want garden at Stonehill on shares,"

"Mother is fine at that sort of thing stowed by rouge. where does my share of running it ome in?" asked the girl naively. "You can run me if you'll take the

good a one running you as I did of the nowers would good a one running you as I did of hish juice enough. running into you-well-I'll try."

### IMPOSSIBLE FICTION

The head of the family, having just

The Way to Get It.

this one too yellow, and the others burning coal-dust. Rena was forced to agree. "If you'll wrong in some way or another. "What come up to my mother's apartment I want," he finally said, "is an hon-I'll wipe it off with cold water, and est-to-goodness home-made cake. I

"Then if you don't mind the price,"

A Man With Push.

Bens, with her laughing brown eyes zen, seventy-eight years of age, who New York city has a push-cart citi- hence the expression.—Boston Post. since December, 1917, has saved \$838 in war stamps. He turned up at the

HOW GLUE MAY BE KEPT NILL ALWAYS BE FIT FOR USE. -You buy a bottle of glue, remove the tin cap, use some of the glue, and then replace the cap. In a week you wish to use the glue again. The cap sticks, and because it does not fit properly, the glue has hardened by evaporation. Your fingers become smeared and if you are pasting a dipping or a letter the glue becomes a nuisance.

Whittle a wooden stopper to fit the bottle, snigly. Insert a sprender in it. Hold it over a lighted candle to warm the wood; let the hot candle wax delp over both stopper and spreader, then hold the stopper well up over the Same. That will heat the wax and cause it to sonk into the wood. After you have waxed the stopper fit it carefully to the neck of the bottle and leave a shoulder on the upper end. Ther wax it

With such a stopper the glue will keep indefinitely, the fingers are protected and spreader is always at hand, for it is a part of the stopper itself. The paraffin prevents the glue from getting a hold on the stopper and the stopper keeps the glue

Over is Best Growing Place for the Long-Leaf.

Fire seems to favor the growth of the long-leaf pine, according to the obmoon. Rena walked home against a The mother had been so wonderchilly wind and decided that it would fully good to him, a total stranger! And that she longed to get away from those, gingham dresses for the counselvation of the was sure. But the those gingham dresses for the country. Working on them would make the approaching vacation seem more real.

Rena was intense by nature. What pleasant and friendly, to be sure.

And that she longed to get away from possession of the tract. The leaves, those gingham dresses for the country. And that she longed to get away from possession of the tract. The leaves, those gingham dresses for the country. But the ginghest score and burned off, had sufficiently protected the growing the pleasant and friendly, to be sure. ures as long as eight minutes to a States department of agriculture.

How They Got Pink Cheeks.

I'm sure she'll be delighted. But the sake of experiment some red gera-water.

the petals. It is cell sap. And the the summer months. same remark applies to most other The pretty young wife, passing the kinds of flowers, which owe their beauinto the kitchen. Her mother would shop window display of new spring tiful colors to pigment solutions. In Trial by taste is the rule on the be due in half an hour anyway, per hats, turned her eyes in the opposite the case of yellow flowers, however, market in Aleppo, Syria, where the haps before. Dinner was not started direction and passed on, refusing to such as crocuses and buttercups, the dealers in the market stalls offer pigment is not held in solution but is loaves of bread, bowls of soured milk. Receiving a communication written deposited in a granular form in the basins of stew, cooked potatoes, roastsmall pail from its hook, she inquired with a dull lead pencil on both sides walls of the cells—an entirely differed meats, boiled vegetables, cakes,

> How Mine Fires Are Stopped. plan is very effective. Another way is type. to set up a trough filled with rock. The police are a big worry to these

How Slang Phrase Began

course, there was something wrong; the high point of the coast and the for their communities.

to say how he became rich.

## Frenchmen Kiss Each Other on

in Semitic and Aryan antiquity, as inthe Book of Genesis, "The Odyssey" and in Herodotus' description of the Persians of his time kissing one another, and which is still prevailing even among men in France and the Slavic countries, seems to be unknown over half the world, where the prevailing salute is that of snuffing or smelling, which belongs to the Polynesians, Majays, Burmese and other Chinese, Mongols, etc., extending thence eastward to the Eskimo and westward to Lapland, where Lynnaens saw relatives saluting by putting their noses together.

Among the manners and customs of the French ailles in France, which most American soldiers "over there" saw for the first time, nothing probleave of each other as regularly as But "de salutationibus non disputandum est"-each nation to its own habit—for salutations vary the world around according to taste and temperament and the different peoples, and in the same people according to the degree of respect designed to be shown to the person addressed.

As for the custom of kissing men on both cheeks, that has come down from the days when young French noblemen, about to be knighted for some valiant deed, spent 24 hours in solitude and prayer and then came forth, knelt down, received the stroke of the sword across their backs and were kissed by the knight who was conferring knighthood. Napoleon, when he formed the Legion of Honor, servations of E. F. Andrews reported eliminated many of the old customs. as high school girls. Poof kiddies! And before the visitor left it was in the Botanical Gazette. Of two keeping the touch of the sword and neighboring plots of ground on Laven- the kiss. Today this is the formula der mountain, Georgia, separated by repeated when the American, British the shadow of this eternally clanging cation ended that Anthony Morse a ravine, both densely overgrown with or French soldier is being decorated. As often happens in the variable to the Brownings' apartment. He had plus and the other four the subway with the red ribbon of the Legion of

Be Kept Sweet for an Almost Indefinite Time.

Sweet cider, rendered commercially Glancing up at the clock after close

The door of the apartment opened on the tract that had been burned and on the tract that had been burned and when Anthony had gone thus far in the showed that the leaves of this in the arid desert of national properties are not at all inflammable and hibition, and opens a profitable outlet are so arranged as to shield the grow. For windfall apples, say the specialists apologize for mother's absence, but introduced that the properties of the bureau of chemistry. Instead

Though Rena did her best to entertain him. Anthony was preoccupied.

At one of his absent-minded replies At one of his absent-minded replies est fires, especially of the minor type apple juice, grinding the frozen produced girl laughed, "What's the matter? known as 'ground fires' and Trush uct, and then by means of a centrif-"It is, it's at Stonehill. I bought fires," occur at not too frequent in en ugal process, separating the essential the land next to your place today. I vals, the immunity of the pines enables cider solids from the frozen water, in have a proposal to make to you." Another to take the lead in the work of much the same way that cream is sepreforestation, and through the gradual arated from milk. Five gallons of ci-"You mean to mother, don't you?" elimination of their rivals to become der can be reduced by this process to finally the sole possessors of the soli done gallon of strupy eider concentrate. This cider concentrate, being so much less in bulk, can be shipped and stored The helles of earlier days are said much more economically than the to have used the juice of red containing bulky fresh older. It is also easier to flowers to give pinkness to their fair keep sweet when concentrated. When cheeks, the effect thus obtained being it is desired to use the cider concenof greater naturalness than that Le-trate it can be restored to its original bulk, condition, and flavor simply by

inium biosoms were macerated in a | Concentrated cider will keep sweet small porcelain dish with a very little much longer than in its original condiwater. The water did turn pink. But tion, and in cold storage it will keep

How Some Obtain Free Meal. nuts, etc., writes Capt. Alan Bott. R. A. F., in Harper's Magazine. Ah intending buyer digs finger and thumb Coal-dust floating in the air in into some steaming dish, fishes out a Ten minutes later the hatless Rena ter's new Easter hats, chuckled to him-clouds is just as likely to cause explo-piece of meat and eats it. Then he sions in coal-mines as fire-damp, and either buys it or passes on to another carrying the pail and, head down, Getting up suddenly in the middle there are three ways of overcoming stall, following the same process, After against the wind, hurried across the of the night the man rushed through the danger. The commonest method tasting the various offerings the taster street, turned the corner-and col the darkness and managed to clude is to use water to lay the dust. Then can sometimes eat a full meal. The lied with a young man who was ap every piece of furniture in the room. there is the plan of rendering the dust merchants. however, have a keen proaching from the opposite livec. Picking up the first hat she came non-inflammable by mixing with it sense of perception, and differentiate tion. There were direcul results. The to, the young woman tried it on paid ordinary rock-dust. This is done by between legitimate buyers and those "loose" milk no longer occupied the for it and walked out of the store applying a coating of the rock-dust to seeking free feeds, handing out kicks various parts of the mine, and the promiscuously to those of the latter

"Oh," exclaimed Rena. "What in The other day a man of the "old dust in various parts of the mine dealers, too, They exact a sort of blazes " began the young man. But maid" type entered a downtown bak When an explosion occurs the dust is "graft" from them. If a dealer has at this point he raised his head from ery. He announced his intention of automatically thrown from the troughs failed to pay the police hound him unrueful contemplation of the coat buying a cake. One after another the to the floor of the mine, and the cloud til he does. The man usually hides booked at the embarrassed girl and obliging saleslady showed him, only to of incombustible dust filling the nir when he sees an officer coming, until shifted to this remark: "It's rather be told that this one was "to coarse," at this point stops the passage of the his sales have been sufficient to permit him to pay the money demanded.

Why Called "Links."

waters in parts of the Scottish seaboard. The first golf courses were laid SALONICA. News of the arrival of liceman."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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# The kiss, which appears constantly KINGS AND QUEENS AND "PLAIN FOLK"

The state of the s

Secretary Lansing Urges "What is the main thing Belle has Public "To Maintain the on hand this fall?" Efficiency" of the "Great- "I think it is an engagement ring." est Mother"

Testimonials from Kings and national and international reputation what wrinkles won't do." are pouring into National Headquarters of the American Red Cross Besides commending the organization ably seemed stranger to them than the for the work it did in the war, these practice of kissing among men. The letters point out the importance of feel like a cannibal if you did." bearded pollus thus greet and take continuing Red Cross activities and urge the American people to respond do school girls on this side of the seas. promptly to the appeal of the Third Roll Can for memberships.

Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall. under date of September 28th, wrote doors." a letter in which he states:

It is the eternal "In as much" that weighs weight in the scales of the eternal. The American Red Cross is the gospel in boots, and every man who loves his fellow man ought to pull on a pair and go out into the highways and byways of suffering. (Signed) THOS, R. MARSHALL

A translation of a lettter from Marshal Foch follows:

The American Red Cross accomplished a great work during the war. She had to employ vast resources to do this, and through it all displayed a magnificent spirit.

(Signed) "FOCH" August 8, 1919. King Ferdinand of Roumania, writing in English from Bucharest, Rou-

mania in July, says: I am eager to thank the American people for the generous way in which Roumania has been aided by its Red Cross.

The name of the American Red Cross will forever be blessed in my country. With unceasing energy it has worked amongst the suffering, showing a spirit of abnegation and devotion of which I cannot too highly speak.
Wherever need was greatest

there was the American Red Cross to be found, it penetrated into the most forsaken corners, succouring the sick, clothing the naked, feeding the hungry, bringing hope and comfort to thousands in distress.

I would also offer my special thanks to all members of the mission, who under the intelligent guidance of Colonel Ander-

son did wonders among the poor. Although the war was over they did not hurry back to their homes, nor to their own interests, having ascertained how great was the misery occupation has brought upon us, they remained on far beyond the time orginally fixed so as not to abandon the work they had begun,

Unperishable witt remain the memory of the American Red

(Signed) FERDINAND. Secretary Lansing considers that surely for a rouge substitute a lot of sweet indefinitely. Its reduced bulk "it would be amost a national calam-"Why, if you think I can do as the flowers would be needed to fur makes it practicable to keep it in cold ity to diminish its (the Red Cross') storage. The concentrated product potentiality for the good of mankind The juice of red geranium flowers thus promises to make fresh cider by lessening its activities or by peris a solution of pigment contained in available at soda fountains throughout mitting public interest in them to flag." His letter, in full, follows:

When a great organization such as the American Red Cross is today, has been developed to meet the needs of a world at war, it would be almost a national calamity to diminish its potentiality for the good of mankind by lessening its activities or by permitting public interest in them to flag. I wish, therefore, to commend the plan to maintain the enciency of the Red Cross at its present high standard and to divert its enterprise and energy, after the demands of war cease. to the relief of suffering and the preservation of health in times of peace. The services, which can be rendered in a field so vast that it seems almost limitless, should and, I believe, will command the hearty and generous support of the American people for the purpose appeals to patriotism, to humanity and to common sense. ROBERT LANSING.

Washington, D. C.

October 1919. American Red Cross verbally and on our flag."—Indianapolis News. Did you ever hear anybody say, How many enthusiastic golfers orally. But what amounts to more don't mind the price, just so I get the when some one made a very radical spending most of their leisure time on than the valued expressions of rey statement, "Oh, he's off his hook?" the "links" know that it is a term of alty and what is a greater source of That bit of slang is very old. In the Scottish origin which meant an en- gratification to the Red Cross is the \$50,000 educating Miss Maye Grabman looked at Rena, but it has not retorted the weary saleslady, "why medieval times the bent pieces of iron tirely different kind of land then?" collection of thousands of letters coin." been related what he saw; and it was don't you get married and have a on which the hinges of the big gates at home trested were called the hooks. When a stretch of land covered with short the Red Cross for what it has done ever the gate was off its hook, of grass and stubble which lies between for "their boys" and what it is deling

out along these stretches, hence the several cargoes of food consigned to My most embarrassing moment was name. When the sport spread to the American Red Cross caused a Mrs. Browning, opening the door Federal Reserve bank the other day one Sunday morning when I took a other countries the name "links" clung drop of fifty percent in the price of the sparment soon afterward and for his war stamps received one rich uncle of mine to church with me to it, but the original meaning was ensured and followed of the new treasury savings certification box was passed, and tirely overlooked. into the hands of prodicers here. The Hubby-Why, certainly, my dear; their source in the kitchen cates, good for \$1,000 January 1, 1924. when it came through our row my in Scottish history golf can be American assistance has released peo-

## WITTY FLASHES

Its Sort.

"Here are the boys in the pantry quabbling over the remnant of ple." "Ah! a regular piece conference."

Explained.

THANK RED CROSS his ideal." "No; the trouble is that he is not his ideal." "It is said that a man never marries.

A Good One, Too.

Past Power.

"I can give you a few wrinkles Queens and from men and women of about keeping young." "That is just

A Gentle Hint.

He-"I nevah eat lobsters myself. Miss Gwace." She-"I'd think you'd

Deceiving Appearances.

"Is this the weather building?"

"No: why do you ask?" "Because I noticed it had storms

Gee I

"Is she a classical player?" "Most classical what is. She canolay Beethoven in jazz."

The Wrong Expert. "My doctor sent me to a dietician to build up." "Why didn't he send."

you to an architect?"

Sure of It. "Is that levely color of Miss Ella's ner own?" "Yes, indeed. She always pays cash when she gets it."

Proper Classification.

Dyer-Does Wyld like music? Ryer-No; only popular songs and azz.-Life.

Her Ciass. "I caught her pussyfooting around

ny room the other day." "The old cat!" Rather Twisted.

"You can believe anything Albert tells you." "I am glad to learn he is such a voracious young man."

Naturally. "How much ought this blonde wig to sell for?" "Oh, it ought to bring a.

fair price."

"What is your estimate of Brown?" "Hes a liar and a thicf." "That's rather a rough estimate."

Tell It to Them. "Money isn't everything in this life."

Try to convince the profiteers of that, will you?" Heading Him Off.

"Why did you give that tramp the dime?" "For not telling me a hard luck story."

Quite Suiting. "What kind of an apartment did the singer get?" "Some kind of a suite-

thing in A flat."

A College Belle. "She said she'd like to see any man try to kiss her."

"Did you call her bluff?"

Incongruous Prospect. "That ham of an actor is going to star." "Well, I must say, he stands a fat chance."

Strange Fact. "Aviation flights seem to be popular in conversation." "Yet it is a subject

His Art.

over most people's heads."

"He certainly is an artist in concocting drinks." "I see; an artist in still Life."

Rechristening Demanded. "And they call that stuff moonshine!" exclaimed the man who was more inquisitive than wise.

"That's the name it goes by in these "You ought to rechristen it. It tastes like bottled sunstroke."

She Knew a Way. A Terre Haute school was trying hard to get a new flag for one of the rooms. The children were denying themselves candy and other luxuries in order to bring their pennies to school to add to the flag fund. But

little Pearl had not brought any. "My mother gets my candy for me," she explained her delinquency, "so I can't bring that money. But I'll tell Kings and Queens of all allied you what I will do, teacher. I'll not countries have from time to time ex- give anything at Sunday school next pressed their admiration for the week and bring that penny to put in

"I understand Mr. Grabcoin spent

"Was the money wasted?" "Not entirely. Since Miss Grabcoin returned from an expensive finishing school she has been able to hold her own quite handly with a traffic po-

Too Much Enthusiasm.

Wifey-Henry, do you think me an