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(A. 1921. Western Newspaper Union.) Miss Agatha Browne was thirty-five Even Taffeta Can Be Manipulated to and looked older. She had been pretty when she was a girl—that could easily be seen from the regular contour of her face, her soft, clear skin, and the Tedham seminary, which, as most almost without an exception that the knowledge I have never applied the people know, receives only selected styles for 1921 are particularly favor polithet you mention to any person." rirl pupils from among the first fami- able to the stout woman, states a "It's down in black and white," conlies of the South.

ham seminary might have been seen fall softly and flatteringly over fleshy The light of comprehension dawned with their heads very close together figures. ene evening after the professor had Of course, it will not be in the "Ah-I see! 'Poor Nut,' my dear

the backward suitor."

Professor Boylett appeared unusual- large woman. erward.

initials are A. B.?"

bolted through the door.

maying:

proposal of marriage."

the class in horror.

"Prof. Sampson Boylett," shouted sobriety. the class in economics in unison.

pened. Behind Miss Browne's large mectacles a reddish hue, arising in Women and Girls Do Not Venture Out rather expensive. the neighborhood of either ear, spread and expanded until it completely covared her face.

*Dear me, this is very painful!" dismissed."

The class, released from its duties, mous institution of learning with a for the silver-haired matron. hurried and yet furtive step, if such a term could be applied to any quality is a favorite headdress for the slender, other words, the rain was coming down history.

of the class. For Miss Browne, instead their short, curled locks. of continuing upon her resolute way across the soggy grass-Miss Browne, whese state of health was always known to be exactly commensurate with the hygienic condition of her evershoes.

And, as an immovable body encounters an irresistible force, so Miss Agatha Browne encountered Professor Boylett beside the portals of the Ledham Seminary for Young Ladies. The professor saw her, straightened himself, and spoke.

"Er-among the Samnites there ex-

isted a custom"—he began. * "I have always told my class." Miss Browne remarked at the same moment, "that the custom which restrains the female half of the community-"

"Which I would be the last to condem n—''

"From taking the first step-" "When hints and gentle glances falled-"

"Leading toward the marriage contract--"

"To effect a matrimonial proposition

"Oh. professor!" exclaimed Miss Agatha, and could say no more. Inside the seminary there was a

great bustle at this moment. "Milly, Milly," cried the voice of Mary Campbell, "I've got a dandy pair of opera glasses upstairs."

"Don't need them," shouted her friend. "Oh, Mary, didn't you see? Kissed Miss Agatha. Isn't it dread of tan and brown check.

"Dreadful?" answered Miss Mary. Why, I think it's grand. And just Next term the classes in empire, waistline will be introduced close to the scalp so she can't get a from Germany during the first ten nics and Roman history will be as a new spring fashion feature on grip on it.—Houston Post.

FOR PLUMP WOMEN

Styles of 1921 Quite in Favor of the Stout Ones.

Fall Softly and Flatteringly Over Fleshy Figures.

While there is never a time when gray eyes which even her detractors the woman of stout, mature lines can ligerently, "what you mean by calling allowed would be beautiful if she did not be fashionably as well as become my boy a poor nut'?" not hide them behind those hideous ingly dressed, a thing that is accom- "Madam," said the astonished physiround spectacle lenses. Miss Agatha plished with unusual success by cer cian, "I haven't an idea what you are Browne was professor of economics at tain dress designers, it can be said talking about. To the best of my

concluded his lecture. He had been charming little pointed basque, full madam, is merely an abbreviated way expounding "The Marriage Customs of skirted, round-neck, priffed-sleeve of saying 'poor nutrition.' "-Youth's boasted. New York Herald, frocks which early spring showings are Companion. "Mustn't it have been dreadful in featuring, but in long-waisted models those days!" said Miss Philippa Clark, with long pointed openings to the HIGHEST ORDER OF SNOBBERY reading from her note-book. "Just waist to show a lace vestee, or conthink! Among the Samnite ladies it trasting georgette, with sleeves at Alleged Prayer Made by English Diwas not an uncommon thing to take least three-quarter length and flowing the initiative in the proposal of a mat- if not fluring. The skirt may even derimonial alliance. When gentle glances cide to flare a bit to the sides if the and hints failed to accomplish their flaring or draping comes low, and purpose the Samnite woman did not length is preserved back and front a Sunday special on "Why Churches hesitate to address herself openly to with soft panels of lace, georgette, or Are Empty," called on Bishop Leonthe newer lingerie touches of eyelet ard of Cleveland.

*Dreadful?" exclaimed Miss Mary batiste or net. The combination of Campbell, one of the most select of navy and gray in these taffeta frocks empty," "lishop Leonard said. "Certhe young ladies. "Why, it was grand!" is very good, and especially for the tainly the churches that are really

Frone moment, ladies," he began flesh to wear gray this spring. Such certain number of vacant pews are to as the class waited its dismissal. "Can beautiful frocks are being shown in it, be found. anyone tell me whether there is a er in all its varying shades, but generally "The kind of church I am refer--any attache of this institution whose speaking it is not a good choice. Of ing to abounded in England in Queen course, there are exceptions. Gray is Victoria's day. There's a story about "Miss Agatha Browne, professor of inconspicuous and in many ways looks one such church. It was in the doeconomics," chanted the class. And better than a whole henna frock say, main of a certain baronet and the the professor, after staring speechless or one of jade green, but it has a vicar used to conclude his Sunday ly at them for an instant, suddenly tendency to give a large woman an prayer in this wise:

elephantine appearance, which is nev-At that instant Miss Browne was er flattering. Better keep to the safe also ber dear tadyship; bless the tenpath of dark, receding colors and get der worth of the two ladies likewise. "A most insulting thing has hap your bright has in trimmings and We would furthermore unite in bepened to me, girls. I hesitate to men- embroideries. There are several new seeching Thee, O Lord, to have mercy tion it, and should not, did I not fear things in the notebook of the mode on the poor governess and all the misit is some unworth; member of this that will help the stout woman in erable sinners of this parish. Amen." meminary. I have received an anony this direction. One is the building of mous letter containing in short, a a straight chemise frack, let's say in navy canton crepe, over an under-"Oh, no, Miss Browne!" excluimed dress of henna or gray crepe split to manufacturing buttons throughout Jathe waist to show the underdress, and pan at the end of 1919 was 1,429, em-"Ladies, your attitude does you the long slit in front from neck to credit," said the professor of econo- waist doing the same thing. In this value of buttons turned out during the

Then an extraordinary thing hap- DECORATIONS WORN IN HAIR decrease was to be seen mostly in

at Night With Their Heads Unadorned.

No maid or matron ventures out at the preceding year. murmured Miss Browne. "The class night with her head unadorned. Ev- The chief places for the manufacwith sliver filigree or close-set rhine- the quantity turned out from these rushed to the windows and looked out stone leaves. Single strands of dia- two prefectures is 11,091,912 gross apon the campus. It saw Miss Browne monds also bind the youthful brow, and 4,919,345 gross, respectively. emerge from the portals of the fa- while diamonds and onyx are combined

or attribute of Miss Browne. With brown-haired woman, while an iriden steadily and the mud was at its stickher umbrella folded in her hand, the cent metallic band in American Beau-lest. In "squab" formation-twos. professor of economics picked her way ty red is worn with matching slippers threes, fives and sixes—a regiment of dewn the gravelly walk toward the en- and an ivory satin robe. A wreath of Buffaloes was moving into an alleged trance. Then the class and Miss fine brown paradise mounted in bril- rest camp. The accent was on the Browne simultaneously perceived a liants forms a delicate aureole for the camp. second figure, a bent, irresolute, mid titian-haired debutante, especially if The most forlorn of all the forlorn dle-aged figure approaching the same her shoulders are wrapped in bronze crew staggered against a barracks pertals from the classroom in Roman tulle. Diamond butterfiles flitting dooorway, where he was accosted by along a silken ribbon will hold the a white non-com.: And then occurred a peculiar phe yellow curls of the sub-deb and all nomenon such as had never been her bobbed-hair school chums are beg-war now? Pretty good war?" known to happen during the memory ging for diamond-studded barrettes in



A new scarf of angera is now being Flintrazor (the barber)—Just trim ployed in firms and factories as engi-Look! Look! Professor Boylett has shewn. It is of tan color, with reverse the ends, I s'pose? I remember you neers, and it is stated that nearly a

Empire Waistline This Spring. There is rumor that the short, or was before we were married. Clip it ports of toys, chemicals and dyesiuffs

NOT A TERM OF OPPROBRIUM

But Really It Seemed as Though Mother Had Some Strong Grounds for Complaint.

The following story is told of a certain school in central New York. Dr. the health officer, had just made the customary physical examination and filled out the verious health of reaching a conclusion?" certificates.

One afternoon he received a visit from an irate mother.

"I should like to know," she said bel-

fashion correspondent in the Phila tinued his visitor unappeased. "My Prof. Sampson Boylett instructed delphia Record. Even taffeta, that Jim has just been transferred to man history. The young ladies of Led- and slim lines, can be manipulated to card as plain as can be, 'Poor Nut.'"

on the bewildered doctor. He smiled.

vine Would Have Made Great Hit With Thackeray,

A reporter, gathering material for

democratic, really Christian, are full. ly preoccupied on the second day aft- It is going to be a great tempta- Of course we have a few churches tion to the woman who is taking on that cater to the rich. In these a

"God bless Sir Peter; God bless

Japs Making Buttons.

The number of factories engaged in ploying 9,250 workmen in all. The credit," said the professor of econo-wast uoing the same thing.

"Er—by the way, is there any served in the dark material while the underdress helps much to relieve its cent, as against the preceding year. But the volume of production indicates a decline of 4,984,300 gross. A metal and shell buttons which are

The total value of buttons exported during 1919 was 10,288,000 yen, showing a decline of 14 per cent as against

ery woman wears her wreath of laurel ture of buttons are Osaka and Nara;

Never the Same Again. Topaz in a Grecian border bandeau It was a perfect French night. In

"Well, Sam, whaddye think of this

With a facial expression that said he meant it, Sam replied:

"Boss, dis yeah war never was a toward the gate, made a short cut ANGORA SCARFS ARE LIKED good war- and dis last day practically done ruined it completely."-American Legion Weekly.

> Under No Circumstances, Twice, Margaret, the new maid, had been instructed that, when certain callers came she was—at the door—to announce that ner mistress was not at home. It evidently went much against the grain for Margaret to make herself responsible for even so small a white lie, but she promised to do when he is a baritone?" so, and with certain modifications kept. her word.

"Is Mrs. Morgan at home?" asked the caller.

twoice for anybody livin'."

Unused Water Power

the total, both steam and water gen- American critic: "A play by Ulysses. erated, now in use in the United States. It is conservatively estimated will judge him." Equally pointed was that as much more can be developed a criticism which once appeared in a by utilization of the water power re- Manchester journal: "Last night Mr. sources. The Department of the In W___'s play was produced. Quite a terior has placed the potential water number of people stayed to the end." nower at 60,000,000 horse power, of which only 10,000,000 is now developed. This saves the country more.

Before and After.

eriso curis.

Bonescraper (the bridegroom)—That man engineers and experts. The im-

WITTY SALLIES

Simple Explanation. Dorothy, whatever makes you talk so much?" "Because I always fink of sumpin' to say."

> Directed. "Professor, what is the logical way

"Take a train of thought, my boy," Performing Brute.

"I guezzo: Woman can make him jump through hoops." A Mind Reader. "Are you Doctor Smith?"

"Is man an animal?"

Classification. "Bennie Bearrbrough says he is no-

will get him yet." Where the Ancients Excelled. Elijah was fed by the ravens. "This beats carrier pigeons," he

Appropriate. "Why do you call flying machines. hobos of the air?" "Because they

have no visible means of support. Prolonging It. "Two heads are better than one." "But some lecturers want about six

Economy. Percival—I've got money to burn. Naylor-Well, go ahead, it's cheap-

heads to a discourse."

er than coall Nothing New. Knicker - Russia has abolished

Bocker—That's nothing; my wife ibolishes mine.

True Vegetarian. "Waiter, I ordered vegetable soup." "Well sir?" "This has a fly in it."

"Does Alice lionize her husband?" "Well, she calls him the king of beasts." Boston Transcript. Born Experts.

Dubious Lionizing.

"flame."- Boston Transcript. Did His Best. "Pa, what is a ship's hold?" Why-er-it's the anchor, I sup

can fan a "spark" into a regular

pese."-Boston Transcript. Comforting. one bow, at least."

After the Storm. but no returned umbrella."

Another Question. "How many ounces in a pound?" "Sixteen."

"How many dogs?"-Exchange, Chilly Location.

"Did you catch cold in the theater?" "Shouldn't wonder. I sat in the Z A Bold Stroke.

cess of your magazine?" "We don't print uplift stuff of any nature." At the White House. "What does this fellow want?" "Says he wrote campaign songs."

"To what do you attribute the suc-

"Does he want a reward or a pardon?" Even for Charlie Chaplin. Headline-"Hungry Man Steals 1,200 Charlotte Russes." Almost a meal.-

Boston Transcript.

Not in the Cook Book. "Why didn't whale meat catch on?" "Nobody knew where to find any his coat could not be seen. recipes."- Louisville Courier-Journal.

In Tears. "What book are you crying over, and ran after him with the broom. dearie, a sentimental novel?"

"No, the cook book."

A Contradiction.

"The singer kept on the even tenor a terrible noise. of his way." "How could he do that

Short and Pungent. Mr. H. J. Jennings, once editor of the Birmingham Mail, claims to have "For this wan toime, Mrs. Jones, she written the shortest dramatic criticism nin't," said the maid, "but Hivin help ever penned: "Last night a play called her if you ask me again. I'll not lie Pure as Snow was produced at the Blank theater. It is not as pure as snow." His assertion has been disputed, and a correspondent attributes Fifty million horse power comprises the following very brief notice to an S- was played last night. Heaven

Germans Going to Japan. German residents in Japan are rethan 30,000,000 tons of coal annually, ported as steadily increasing in number, now almost double that of prewar days. Most of them are eng-

said your bride liked to toy with your hundred applications for positions in Japan have been received from thermonths of 1920 amounted to \$1,000,000.

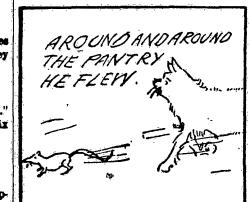


FAT MOUSE'S ESCAPE

M R. FAT MOUSE—his friends called him Fatty for short—decided one day that he would move from the house where he lived in the pantry wall because there were so many mice living in the neighborhood.

"No, but I know where we can get "When I first came here" said Fatty to himself one day when he was thinking how hard it was for him to keep fat and round, "there were only the same select young ladies in Ro- sprightly fabric associated with youth D school, and it's on his health body's fool." "I know, but some one five mice living in the wall, and now I cannot count them. It is time for me to move, and I shall look about this very night for a new home."

So when all the other mice were busy running over the pantry shelves



Fatty Mouse ran out of the door and under the kitchen sink, where he found a hole large enough for him to get through. He jumped into the yard and ran for

long time, and then next night found. Fatty in his new home in the pantry of a house far a way.

But Fatty Mouse had no home in

the wall of this pantry, and he had to hide in the daytime behind boxes and pails and anything he could, for there had never been a mouse in this pantry and there were no nice places to run in when anyone came in the door. But there was plenty to eat, and

and he was sure he had found a pleasant place to live in even if he had no companions. One day while he was resting behind a basket what should happen but that some one came in the pantry and

Fatty ate all night and slept all day,

lifted the basket from the floor, and poor Fatty Mouse had to run. Around and around the pantry he flew while some one chased him with a broom, and a dreadful puss joined

in the chase as well, Just as Fatty was sure he was lost he ran up the side of the flour barrel and jumped to the shelf, and as quick as a flash he ran along to the door, which was open, and with a leap he

was in the kitchen. The outside door was open, and out went Fatty Mouse, and no one found him. All day he rested, and when it was dark he ran back to the house where he had lived so long in the

pantry wall. "It may not be so easy to get food here," he said, as he thought it over when he was safe in the wall, "but it is much safer here, for there are semany mice living here that the other fellow may be caught when they hunt

"When I lived alone in the pantry I was the only one they were after, and my life was not worth a crumb. I shall stay here as long as I live, and never move again, for all mice look allke to cats and people."



O NCE there was a puss who had a coat of all white and it both-"So Miss Homleigh has taken up the ered him so much when he lay in violin." "Yes; she is sure of having wait for birds in the garden that he wished it was some other color.

"If I had a gray coat like Tahby Grey's I should be better able to Knicker-"There's a pot of gold at hide," he thought, "or if it even was the rainbow's end." Becker-"Maybe, black I should not show up as I do now in the grass."

One day when Puss was roaming around the farm he came to a place where there was a pile of feathers. "Oh, if only I could have a coat of

feathers," thought Puss, "I should never want for birds."



a pot of glue. This he tipped over and rolled in it and off he ran to the pile of feathers and rolled over and over until he was so thickly covered

When he went to the kitchen for his saucer of milk, Cook, seeing this strange looking creature, screamed

As he ran past Mr. Dog's house out he came barking and chased Puss out of the yard and when the hens and ducks saw him they all began to make

But Puss was not discouraged. He

than he did about losing his friends. So he went to the woods and hid under some bushes and waited. When the birds flew down to the

ground Puss came out, thinking he must look so much like a bird himself they would not be scared, but when they saw him they flew away chattering loughly to the trees out of his reach. "Why don't you stay and play with

me?" he asked in a soft tone. "Don't you see I am a bird like you? I have feathers."

"Yes, we see your feathers," answered the birds, "but we also see your feet and you have four. We do not play with four-footed animals." Puss had not thought about his feet. He thought all he needed was

so he ran back home thinking he could get Tabby Grey to share her milk with him, but when she saw him she humped her back and looked very fierce. Puss tried to tell her who he was. but it was no use. She would not lis-

ten and there was nothing to do but

go back to the woods.

feathers. He was pretty hungry now,

Just as he was running along the path a hunter, seeing the queer animal, raised his gun and fired, but Puss was lucky and ran behind a rock unharmed. There he stayed thinking over his sad plight. He was covered with

and even his own kind would not have him around. "If I ever get rid of this coat I will he satisfied with what Nature gave me." thought Puss, "and I will hunt mice and drink my saucer of milk and

feathers and still he was not a bird.

be thankful." It was a long time before Puss was rid of his feather coat and he looked anything but handsome for a long time, but when he did at last get back his soft white coat he was a wiser puss, you may be sure.

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