

THE SOLUTION

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Hazel ran upstairs to her particular little nook, and fairly threw herself into a large lounge chair. "I guess if I stay up here and read for a while I will be left undisturbed for an hour at least," thought this dutiful little miss. After a few minutes had elapsed, the book was thrown idly to one side, and resting her head comfortably on the back of the chair, she closed her eyes, intending to solve the meaning of a letter that she had received that morning. Then, on second thought, she snatched the engrossing missive from a nearby table and settled back once again to peruse its contents.

"Oh, how perplexing it all seems. What can he possibly mean? Oh, well, I suppose I am too silly and non-sensical for words. The idea of worrying myself over his flippant moods." Thus she argued with herself. One minute pitying her hero, and the next instant ready to pounce upon herself for wasting valuable time pondering over his puzzling letter.

A half hour later, Edith, the peacemaker of the family, was passing to her room, and happening to glance into her younger sister's den, saw that she was enjoying a serene little nap. Edith was a kindergarten teacher, and had just returned home feeling rather weary. Instantly it dawned upon her that a light luncheon served upstairs near the cozy fireside would be both inviting and soothing after a tedious day's teaching. Soon the shades were drawn, and the electric lamp lit, casting a soft green glow over the room, while a tempting table set for two sent such a delicious aroma throughout the room that none could possibly escape its lure. A merry ripple of laughter rang out, echoing down the hallway to the rest of the family household, who were already partly through with the evening meal. Hazel, blinking and smiling, jumped up and kissed her sister affectionately, at the same time silently uttering a prayer of thanksgiving to heaven for such a thoughtful and generous-hearted sister.

During the course of the meal, all the petty trials and grievances of the day were talked over. Naturally, Hazel, still feeling quite upset, brought into the discussion the arrival of the mysterious letter from her affianced sailor boy.

"Edith, dear, I have felt blue all day, but now that you are home it seems that a rainbow has flashed over my landscape, and brightened my hopes."

"Well, Hazel, the only possible solution is that you must curb your pride, and write him a very courteous letter. You will then certainly discover that you were not nearly so badly off as you thought you were,"—Los Angeles Times.

In the meantime, a younger sister, the mischievous Miss Anna, who had gained knowledge of the letter earlier in the day, was patching up stray thoughts, and was positive that she must be the innocent troublemaker, who had prompted all this misunderstanding. Anna was certainly nervous that evening. First, a knife fell, then a plate went crashing to the floor. Bang! down went a butter dish, and oh, what a dab that butter did make on the carpet. "For pity's sake," remonstrated her mother, "can't you hold a plate in your hands for five minutes?"

The next day Anna, after contemplating on the unhappy incident that had occurred, resolved to waylay the peacemaker. That same afternoon quite an interview took place.

"No, Edith, please do not inform Hazel that I wore her green silk dress, because after she refused to loan it to me, why, I promised to be content with her rose crepe de chine. Then, when I went to look over her wardrobe, the green dress looked so perfectly wonderful that I could not resist the temptation to wear it. Of course," she went on, "Hazel was lying down, and I stealthily slipped upstairs and tried it on. The color suited me so well, together with the fact that I am such a terribly selfish and vain girl, made it impossible for me to refrain from wearing the gown. That night, with George Parker at the social, I saw Jack Turner coming towards me, I felt pretty guilty and decided the best thing to do was to shade my face with my hat. Probably I endeavored not to hold George's attention, and fairly succeeded. Do you understand now why Jack wore in such a melancholy strain? Poor Jack. He thought Hazel was deceiving him. He might have known, however, that Hazel would not refuse to go with him in order to attend the social with George. I will straighten matters out, though, if you will only have confidence in me, Edith, and please keep Hazel in ignorance of the entire affair."

A week later a handsome young sailor was seen heading for 25 Oriole street, the home of a certain Miss Hazel Stewart. After a few necessary explanations, Jack informed Hazel that he was a perfect cad to have sent her such a queer letter.

"Won't you try to forgive me, Hazel, dear?" he murmured, as he took her hand in his. With a radiant smile, she answered:

"Little raindrops in the form of troubles only serve to strengthen our affections, and therefore I forgive you, provided you promise to check your hasty temper in the future."

Just then Anna coming upon the scene, peeped in between the portieres, and having a sigh of relief, raised her right hand and quietly murmured: "Never again."

AMAZON LEGEND IS GREEK

Stories of Wonderful Feats of Warlike Women Had Their Origin in That Country.

When Russian women, following the revolution which deposed the czar, took up arms in behalf of their country, it seemed that the ancient Greek myth of the Amazons was close to realization. The legend of the Amazons was a favorite among the Greeks, who loved to weave stories of the wonderful feats of these warlike women.

According to the legend the Amazons, who were irresistible in war, lived on the shores of the Black sea. The first Amazons were women whose husbands had all been killed in war. The widows decided that marriage was a condition of servitude, and determined to have no more of it. So they trained themselves in the use of arms and became the terror of their masculine neighbors, according to an article in the People's Home Journal.

Three famous queens of the Amazons are mentioned—Hippolyte, who was conquered by Hercules; Penthesilea, who was slain by Achilles while aiding the Trojans; Thelstris, who visited Alexander the Great, accompanied by three hundred of her warriors.

The Amazon river was so named because early Spanish explorers who were floating down that great stream believed they saw a race of women warriors on the land bordering the river.

CAN LEARN TO LIKE TASKS

Quality Once Acquired, Many Men Will Find Their Life Take on a Brighter Hue.

It is a remarkable fact that most men are engaged in occupations that they dislike. We know many a doctor who would far rather be an author, and, by the same token, we know some authors whom we would like to be doctors or something else. There are statesmen who always wanted to be blacksmiths, and blacksmiths who wanted to be statesmen. In many instances they could trade and the country would be the gainer.

But that's neither here nor there. The thing to be considered is that we can make life a whole lot easier by learning to like tasks that we now do not like. It can be done, strange as it may seem. Many a man has learned to like to play croquet or to eat greens. There are instances of men who actually fell in love with their wives.

It will not do to merely assume a grin-and-bear-it attitude toward the unpleasant task. Eat it up. Go at it as though there were not half as much fun in doing anything else in the world. You will then certainly discover that you were not nearly so badly off as you thought you were,—Los Angeles Times.

King Named Pennsylvania.

It was Charles II who gave the name Pennsylvania to the American colony. The founder would have named it New Wales on account of its rugged and beautiful scenery. A good story is told of how Charles once turned the tables on his Quaker subject when they met in the park. "Why dost thou remove thy hat, friend Charles?" asked William Penn. "Because wherever I am it is customary for only one person to remain uncovered," Penn was much at home with kings. James II used to go to Quaker meetings to hear him preach. He knew Anne as a little girl and that queen counted him as an old friend, but William III was not so cordially disposed. When Peter the Great was occupying Evelyn's residence at Deptford he went to Quaker meetings and knew Penn. Indeed, that destructive tenant and absolute monarch and miller said that whoever could live as a Quaker would be happy.

Britain and British.

It was not until their occupation by the Romans that the word Britannia came into use as a name for the British Isles. The name Great Britain was applied to England, Wales and Scotland on the accession of James I in 1603, when the king of Scotland succeeded Queen Elizabeth, and the crowns became united. The expression had been used for some time before that event to distinguish England, Wales and Scotland from Little Britain—Britannia Minor—which was the French province of Bretagne or Brittany, across the channel from England. On January 1, 1801, when the legislative union of Great Britain and Ireland took place, the name adopted was the "United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland." It is a mistake to refer to the United Kingdom as England. England is a part of the United Kingdom, as Saskatchewan is a part of the Dominion of Canada.

Color Blindness.

"Many persons have the mistaken idea that color blindness causes a considerable number of the railroad accidents," said a veteran of the line recently. "During the early part of my life, when I was in railroad work, a physician who examined 700 applicants for positions as railroad men found only one who was color blind. Several of the applicants, however, did not know the proper names of the colors. They were able to group and match test samples accurately enough, but were uncertain when asked to pick out certain colors and name them."

ENGLISH FLAX FOR AIRPLANES

Town Where Old Industry Is Being Revived Has Long Borne an Evil Cognomen.

How strangely ancient and modern meet in the formation of a new government department for the production of English flax, observes the London Chronicle. We find manufactured flax fibers in the lake dwellings of Switzerland; we find it in the tombs of Egyptian greatness, where it wrapped the mummies of kings and queens whose life stories we know. From it we fashion linen and cambric, as well as sails for boats, and dainty lace to deck a ruthless "flapper." But the new department is to raise 10,000 acres of flax largely for airplanes.

Pinchbeck, where the old Lincolnshire flax industry is being revived, bears a bad reputation among metallurgists, and is accused by the unlearned of having originated an opprobrious epithet which has spread from the material to the intellectual and moral worlds. As a fact this is a cruel libel on a charming rural village which has always been more concerned with agriculture than with metals. Our term "pinchbeck," applied to anything that is a sham or unreal, comes not from the village but from Christopher Pinchbeck, a watch and toy maker, who invented an alloy of copper and zinc that ruined his trade rivals at the beginning of the eighteenth century. Pinchbeck's place of business was, alas! situated in Fleet street.

OLIVES PLANTED BY CONVICTS

Magnificent Plantations Result of Work Begun to Furnish Occupation for Malefactors in Jail.

Olives have struck a climate they approve of in South Australia. The trees are the hardest possible growers, require practically no attention, and seem impervious to the disease that affects fruit-trees. They have been rather in disfavor in the towns, owing to their slowness in coming to maturity, but owners of full-grown trees have found them a great money-producer of late years. The olive doesn't produce berries until its twelfth year. Consequently landowners are shy of planting for commercial purposes. There is a movement on foot to get the government to subsidize growers at so much an acre for the first ten years. The oil has almost tripled in price the last few years, and the berries are in demand at \$100 a ton. Fifty-seven years ago the then sheriff of the Adelaide jail, looking for a job for his charges, put them on preparing the ground and planting olive trees, and the result today is a magnificent and profitable plantation in the vicinity of the jail. Hence the term "Gone with the olives" when a sport refers to a man who has been sent along for a light sentence.

Early Egyptian Hairdressing.

The hairdressing of early Egyptian times is interesting. Wigs were exceedingly popular, through many dynasties, for both men and women. The women, however, in various instances, were rather more inclined to let their own hair grow long, arranging it with extreme simplicity by hanging a forelock over each shoulder in front and letting the rest hang straight down the back. It appears, from some old statues, that they occasionally interwove beads or some sort of a pendant with these front locks, which doubtless helped keep them in place. Then, too, they sometimes wore a sort of fillet, a device perhaps borrowed from the Greeks. More elaborate hairdresses were also indulged in. Some statues show strange, almost conical affairs upon the heads, which archaeologists say contained balls wet with some fragrant oil which trickled slowly through the hair and over the neck and shoulders. Perfumes were said to be extremely popular among these early people.

Painting the Salmon.

Red is the preferred color for salmon flesh. It is the "dog" salmon's misfortune to have meat of a dirty grayish hue, so that it is almost unmarketable.

Recently, however, a fish dealer in Boston made a delightful discovery. It was that some salmon-colored paint (which he happened to be using for painting a truck) would transform a dog salmon offhand into a fish of the most expensive variety.

The way it worked was really remarkable. It appears that the stuff was a coal-tar product, and when freely applied with a brush so saturated the meat with dye as to give it a fine salmon-red that clear through. Unfortunately, the local health authorities, lacking appreciation of the fine arts, seized the fish and the paint and shut up the studio.

Arctic Cold.

Beards do not freeze except where the moisture from the breath is converted into snow; but the color glands are rendered somewhat torpid by the cold, and dark beards gradually become lighter, until after a while they seem entirely changed in color.

Another curious fact about the cold of the Arctic regions is that when a person stops walking or working in any way whereby the feet get exercise, the sole of the foot loses all sense of feeling.

In all extremely cold lands, the moisture exhaled from the body condenses into small, hard crystals which make quite a bit of noise as one walks about.

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ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES.

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of February, 1919, the county commissioners of Lincoln county, Nebraska, proceeded to make and did make the following estimate of expenses for the year 1919:

County General Fund.....	\$70,000.00
County Bridge Fund.....	40,000.00
County Road Fund.....	50,000.00
Agricultural Society.....	1,000.00
Precinct Bonds.	
Osgood bond and interest.....	1,000.00
Birdwood bond and interest.....	1,500.00
South Platte bond and int.....	1,500.00
Platte bond and interest.....	1,500.00
Bostwick bond and interest.....	500.00
Hershey bond and interest.....	700.00
East Platte bond and int.....	2,000.00
School District Bonds and Interest.	
No. 1 bond and interest.....	\$12,000.00
No. 7 bond and interest.....	1,750.00
No. 23 bond and interest.....	350.00
No. 47 bond and interest.....	100.00
No. 55 bond and interest.....	3,000.00
No. 67 bond and interest.....	450.00
No. 98 bond and interest.....	250.00
No. 105 bond and interest.....	200.00
No. 111 bond and interest.....	200.00
No. 122 bond and interest.....	200.00
No. 126 bond and interest.....	100.00
No. 131 bond and interest.....	300.00
No. 132 bond and interest.....	250.00
No. 133 bond and interest.....	250.00
No. 21 bond and interest.....	500.00
No. 113 bond and interest.....	300.00
No. 116 bond and interest.....	200.00
Special Buildings.	
No. 33 special building.....	\$2,500.00
No. 26 special building.....	300.00
No. 59 special building.....	300.00
No. 60 special building.....	900.00
No. 139 special building.....	200.00
No. 131 special building.....	200.00
No. 132 special building.....	200.00
No. 19 special building.....	200.00
No. 31 special building.....	500.00
No. 65 special building.....	700.00
No. 78 special building.....	200.00
No. 91 special building.....	200.00
No. 100 special building.....	100.00
No. 112 special building.....	300.00

Notice of Final Report.

Estate No 1446 of Claus Gruenau, deceased, in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, to all persons interested in said Estate take notice that the Administratrix, with the Will annexed, has filed a final account and report of her administration and a petition for final settlement and discharge as such, which has been set for hearing before said court on March 7, 1919, at 9 o'clock a. m., when you may appear and contest the same.

Dated February 10th, 1919.

Wm. H. C. WOODHURST,
County Judge.

Notice of Petition.

Estate No. 1624 of Walter G. McNeel, deceased in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, ss: To all persons interested in said Estate take notice that a petition has been filed for the appointment of Mary C. McNeel as Administratrix of said Estate which has been set for hearing herein on March 7, 1919, at 9 o'clock a. m.

Dated February 4, 1919.

Wm. H. C. WOODHURST,
County Judge.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate No. 1613 of William A. Miller, deceased in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, ss: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said Estate is June 14, 1919, and for settlement of said Estate is February 7, 1920; and that I will sit at the county court room in said county on March 14, 1919, at 9 o'clock a. m., and on June 14, 1919, at 9 o'clock a. m., to receive, examine, hear, allow or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.

Wm. H. C. WOODHURST,
County Judge.

Notice of Referee's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order issued to me by the District Court in and for Lincoln County, Nebraska, in an action wherein Katie B. Lowe is plaintiff and Marie Lowe, Emmett Lowe, a minor; Laura F. Lowe, a minor; and Mabel Lowe, a minor, are defendants, I will on the 8th day of March, 1919, at the hour of two o'clock of said day at the east front door of the court house in the city of North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate situate in the County of Lincoln and State of Nebraska, to-wit: Southeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Twenty-five (25), Township Nine (9), North of Range Thirty (30), West of the 6th P. M.

Dated this 28th day of January, 1919

O. E. ELDER, Referee.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of JAMES H. BURLISON, Deceased, NOTICE.

To Allie G. Burlison now Allie G. Kamrar, Augustus E. Burlison, Sarah A. Burlison, and to all persons interested in the estate of James H. Burlison, deceased, and to all persons interested in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25, Township 13, North, of Range 31, West of the 6th P. M. in Lincoln County, Nebraska:

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 1st day of February, 1919, Thomas G. Rowley, filed his petition in the County Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, in which said petition it is alleged that James H. Burlison died intestate on the 6th day of November, 1892 at Hamburg, Erie County, State of New York, and left surviving him no children nor the children of any deceased children, and that he left surviving him Allie G. Burlison, his widow, now Allie G. Kamrar, Augustus E. Burlison, his father, Sarah A. Burlison, his mother, and that said persons are his sole and only heirs at law and next of kin, also alleging that said James H. Burlison died seized of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25, Township 13, North, of Range 31, West of the 6th P. M. in Lincoln County, Nebraska.

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