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Better English
By
C. D. Williams

What is wrong with this sentence? "It was clever of him to assist us."

Is the correct pronunciation "spe-shiz, e as in me, i as in it, or, spe-shez, both e's as in me. 3. Stiletto. 4. One who furnishes or provides. "The French were the purveyors of humor to the eighteenth century". 5. Soporific.

ANSWERS

1. Say, "It was obliging of him." 2. Pronounce spe-shiz, e as in me, i as in it, or, spe-shez, both e's as in me. 3. Stiletto. 4. One who furnishes or provides. "The French were the purveyors of humor to the eighteenth century". 5. Soporific.

The Cooks Corner

SWEET PICKLED FRUIT

(Peaches, pears, sweet apples, crabapples, watermelon rind, etc.)
4 quarts prepared fruit
1 pint vinegar
1 cup water
1 oz. stick cinnamon
1 ounce whole cloves
4 cups sugar

Boil sugar, vinegar, water and spices for 20 minutes. Dip peaches in boiling water and rub off the fur, but do not peel; pare apples and pears. Crabapples may be pickled with the skins and stems on. Put into syrup and cook until soft, cooking a quarter of the fruit at a time. Pack in jars, cover with hot liquid.

CUCUMBER RELISH

8 cups green cucumbers, seeds taken out, cucumbers cut in cubes; 2 cups onions; 1 tablespoon salt. Cook slowly for 1 hours, stirring frequently. Add:
1 cup sugar,
2 cups vinegar
1 teaspoon turmeric,
1 teaspoon celery seed,
2 cups sweet red peppers, cut fine,
2 cups sweet green peppers, cut fine,
3 cups apples,
2 cups cut celery.

Cook 20 minutes more. Pack into hot jars. Seal. Yield: about 4 pints.

Clean electric light bulbs once a week with a damp cloth, rinse and wipe dry to get most out of your light.

Living & Leisure
The Woman's Realm

BEAUTIFUL THINGS

There are two real beautiful things
In this beautiful world of ours,
And one of those is a green grassy hill,
And the other one is—flowers.

The flowers look up to see the sky,
And the hill-top looks down below,
And the summer sun just kisses them both
For he knows they need him so.

So when I leave this beautiful world,
For a life among heavenly bowers,
Just let me rest near a green grassy hill,
And cover me deep with—flowers.

—Mrs. I. J. Ferguson.
Crapaud, R.R., P.E.I.

THE BIGGEST BIRD

The ostrich is the biggest of all living birds, sometimes towering to a height of eight feet and weighing 300 lbs. It is very strong and can run for a time at sixty miles an hour. It has the curious habit of running in a curve, not in a straight line.

Its wings are so small that they are quite useless for flying, although they are spread out and assit it when running. It lives on grasses and seeds, and to grind these up swallows large stones, just as a small bird swallows grains of sand. The ostrich is a good parent and takes great care of its young.

LIKE LITTLE MISS MUFFET

Don't throw away that bottle of sour milk just because it's too hot in the kitchen to make biscuits... now don't! Think of the cool-as-a-sea-breeze cottage cheese it will make. Pour milk into the top of a double boiler and heat, stirring occasionally until it separates into curds and whey; the double boiler won't but the sour milk will. Place a double layer of cheesecloth in a strainer and strain off the whey. Wash the cheese under running cold water and squeeze dry. Put it in a bowl, mix well with a fork, season with salt and pepper and moisten with a little top milk or cream. You know where to go from here ...the whey's good too... drink it with fruit or vegetable juice.

ENDLESS VARIETY IN ACCESSORIES FOR NEW SEASON

There's always excitement in accessories. It flashes in the ascot — puffy and proud — perhaps one of pale shell pink satin edged with the luxury of sable. Note it in the fashion for long—very long—gloves, definitely back; in the trend toward bags, but with a continuing of the shoulder bag popularity. A lighter look to large jewels, effected by decoupage. Peplums that double for pert little shoulder capes. Stoles — wide, warm, woolly — often relieved by the glitter of sequins or paillettes.

Color is at the bottom of every effective accessory. Here each one must know herself. But there is a wide range for selection.

A soft mauve-pink contrasts exquisitely with black and shades of gray and brown—and in a maline veiling drawn over the face snares frank 18th century romance. But perhaps the favorite color is a dash of fuchsia—though call it petunia, or shocking, or even old-fashioned cerise—and it will still be just as lovely.

Treat With Heat

Cucumbers, cool as they are in the common cliche, are good served hot too. Fry, boil or scallop, in slices and in dices. Combine with egg plant and tomatoes for an epicurean dish.

How Can I!!
By
Anne Ashley

Q. How can I join lace so that it will not show?

A. When joining lace, try to patch the design over on the same design, carefully whipping one on the other. If this is neatly done, the place where the lace is joined will hardly be detected. Do not make a French seam when joining lace.

Q. How can I clean white window shades?

A. Try cleaning them with finely powdered bath brick. Apply with a dry, clean nail brush. Brush the soiled spots briskly until the stains disappear.

Q. How can I make cakes rise more around the edges?

A. If cakes rise only in the centre, and not around the edges, it is due to, too hot an oven.

Ellen's Diary
By An Island Farmer's Wife

Even though there was an electrical storm yesterday evening, later clearing skies and moonlight indicated that there might be harvest-weather today. I hoped for a harvest-day today although skies were not altogether promising when I came to the kitchen this morning. I still had hopes when after kindling the morning-fire and arranging the drafts, I called Pard to assist in rounding the cows from the night-pasture. Lest some who perhaps read this might infer that James still lingered "to drive his pigs to market," I believe at that very minute he was probably taking care of some real ones for yesterday an event of importance to a mamma-pig had taken place as scheduled. The amount of increase I'm told was negligable but an especial diet-sheet had been drawn up or posted and judging by the outward and visible tokens and prevailing air of quiet, was then being carefully followed.

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Someone, a relative and consequently most critical said to me recently: "Need you enter every last animal's birth in your Diary?" Well, after all, Alderlea is a farm. But I had to explain to him that I'm not really guilty of that for if I did at certain seasons it would take a whole book to record even one month's arrivals! But then since the first of the fall lot are beginning to come, I think they deserve mention here and then again, I shall likely make a note of the last ones because, well, the last chapter is invariably the most interesting. There has of course been many such, I did not recoid. There was the small neglected piggie I took care of last spring. I never mentioned that here. Daily, I washed and filled bottles with cow's milk warmed to blood-heat. I left housecleaning and what not to feed her at required and stated intervals so as to have her ready to go with the others—her small brothers and sisters — when sale-time came 'round. The more thrifty she grew, the more interested the male members of my family became in her welfare. Presently I gave over her feeding and care to other hands, while still claiming ownership "till the sands of the desert grow cold." Her fate, as yet is undecided. James thinking of a long winter ahead says: "She'd make a good one to go in the barrel." Jack thinking of increased droves glances appreciatively along her slim sides to say: "I think we'll keep her." While I would be much inclined to favor the latter view for cash benefits would be surer, if a bit late in coming, I think now I never could take all that money for my very own! It may indeed be that the barrel idea is the more feasible one. So there are things sometimes, I never enter here.

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Pard and I went to round up the cows, early this morning down by the side of the stream. I might as well have been unassisted for Pard strayed to stay beneath a spruce, where he barked continually while I labored to gather this cow or that one to drive them up to the stables. He stayed there so long, disregarding my insistant calls and whistles, I went back to investigate. It was a chipmunk, striped and perched securely on a high branch, protesting shrilly that he had been rudely disturbed while at his legitimate affairs. For I suspect he ate, or perhaps gathered stores of cones to give sustenance some cold winter's day. I suddenly remembered that my winter-stores of preserves and relishes, are as yet limited and it came to me that right away I should take a lesson from that brown-striped squirrel or else our winter fare will be fairly monotonous.

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I realized with a start, summer was about to take her departure. Her hours remaining could easily be counted. I thought regretfully of her roses and clover and bird-song. Ah! That was I know, to be most regretted. Above everything I shall miss the bird-song. For while I was away on my brief holiday, someone at Alderlea let the swallows slip away. I think they were here the last lovely day, crowding telephone wires and making reservations. They were busy and happy darting swiftly about to eventually return to their rendevous. They are gone now. Nests under barn eaves and inside buildings, built so marvellously, fashioned so wonderfully, are tenantless now, deserted until they shall return long after a far-off but welcome crow-call will say that Spring is on her way.

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The robins too are gone from Alderlea. All spring and summer, I heard their matins and vespers. Now there is neither dawn nor eventide bird-song. Tonight I think regretfully, I neglected to wrap one long trill about my heart to protect it against the snow and cold to come. I forgot. They were here and now they have gone. The nest in the old birch-tree is empty. The leaves above it are yellowing to finally flutter uselessly to earth but I know that like the robins, the buds on the old birch will be waiting quietly mother nature's call and will be there to shelter them when once more the robins return to Alderlea.

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This was no harvest-day and after dinner the men went to the work of storing away the winter's supply of wood. This is a work that can do with many hands. I realize that and besides I do like to have it snug and dry for the winter's burning. But I was busy today with indoor work. I think as he worked James developed an unusual thirst for he came indoors frequently to the pump to turn eloquent, pleading looks in my direction. Failing with this method, he came to the porch, between loads to sit forlorn and dejected on a chair, outside the window where I worked. This was too much. I joined the rest of the family to throw sticks of wood in the cart and it was remarkable the way the store accumulated in the shed from our combined efforts. "A few more spurts," James said when he finally gave me permission to go indoors to prepare cur "bite" of supper.

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We had a visitor this evening, Mr. Evret from over on the hill. I was an interested listener to the conversation for of late, I'm a bit behind on the actual farm-news. The turnip crop, it seems is not too promising and "that cabbage moth is around in numbers." James brings matches to say: "There'll be no digging here for three or four weeks yet" and adds concernedly "This is awful harvest-weather." Our visitor cleans his pipe obviously not drawing to remark: "Some of the grain in stook is growing." James startled looks up to inquire further into this when fortunately the old clock warns and a hush of expectancy fills the kitchen. And the moon slips quietly above the house across the lane, and a plane low-flying bids us remember other things. There will be old names in the news tonight, Amiens and Armentierres.

The old clock begins to strike so Until tomorrow — Dairy—Good-night.

Dorothy Dix Says—

GIRL'S APPEAL NATURAL ASSET

Mother Can Spoil It, Or She Can By Highbrow Mien, Excessive Demands on Boy Friends

DEAR MISS DIX: Why is it that one girl will have a great many men friends who shower her with expensive gifts and attentions and who even has the faculty of causing a middle-aged man to fall in love with her, while most girls receive only an average amount of attention, and some girls none at all?

M. E. MC.

ANSWER: It is primarily a matter of sex attraction. Some girls have it and others don't, and there is nothing that anybody can do about it. Yet while it is true that if Nature didn't put the come-hither look in a girl's eyes she can't wish it there for herself, still there are lots of reasons why girls who should be in circulation get left on the shelf. The chief of these is Mother. A girl's popularity depends just as much upon her mother as it does upon herself.

Mother can shoo off the boys, or she can tow them into the living room. If Mother writes welcome on the doormat and makes things nice and jolly and friendly when the boys come and give them the run of the ice box, they play a return engagement. But if, when a boy calls on Marybelle, she acts as if he had come to steal the silver, it is goodnight for good when he departs.

Girls can also scare boys off by being too high-brow and throwing their college degrees into high school boys' teeth. Or by demanding too much when a boy takes them out. Or by being too hard to please. Or by being too anxious for attention.

A girl who isn't a natural born wow has to develop a good sales technique if she expects to have plenty of boy friends.

GIRLS MUST CONSIDER PARENTS' AGE

DEAR MISS DIX: My husband and I are elderly people in our sixties. We worked hard and made many sacrifices to rear and educate our four daughters and to give them every advantage that we could. All of them are married now. The husband of one of them is about to be sent overseas and she wants to come to us and bring the baby for the duration. We feel that it would be very hard on us to have them, as the baby cries a lot and she is fond of gaiety and would have young people in and out all the time.

I could stand it if I had to, but my husband is not well, and if he cannot get his rest he will not be able to do the work that he has to do as a pattern-maker. Our daughter is pleasantly situated in a house with people she knows. Would it be too unkind to tell her to keep her own home?

DISTRESSED MOTHER

ANSWER: I think you would be exactly right to tell your daughter that you and her father are old and need rest and quiet, and that you are not able to stand a baby in the house. To the on-looker it seems shockingly selfish the way so many young wives have broken up their homes and descended upon their parents, with their children, to be taken care of during the war. The only explanation seems to be that the young mothers think it is a privilege for Grandma and Grandpa to listen to the baby yowl and spend their time and substance taking care of him.

DEAR MISS DIX: My husband and I are anxious to adopt a baby girl, but our friends and relatives tell us we are crazy and that a baby will bring us trouble that we have never known, and that when it grows up it will not respect us because it was an adopted child and not our own, and that it may turn out badly. What shall we do?

MRS. E. I.

ANSWER: Don't listen to your friends. Adopt the baby if you want one. If you tried to please all of your friends and relatives, you would never do anything because they would never agree on a line of action. And inasmuch as you can't please them, please yourself. It is a grand and noble thing to give a little motherless, nameless child a place in the sun.

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Q. Is my grocer allowed to give me butter instead of sugar...and how much should I get for a sugar coupon? I am ill and not allowed to eat sugar but require extra butter.

A. Your grocer is not permitted to make this exchange ... if for medical reasons you require extra butter and do not need sugar you should apply to your nearest ration office ... taking your ration book along together with medical certificate ... after the necessary forms are completed the exchange will be made.

Q. What tea-coffee coupons are not valid? I read in the paper that some coupons had expired.

A. Tea-coffee coupons in ration book 3, E1 to E6 and 14 to 29, were not valid after August 31. Since September 1, only coupons T30 and upwards in ration book 4 are valid.

Modern Etiquette
By
Roberta Lee

Q. Should the wedding invitations which are to be sent by the parents of the bride who is a widow, include the widow's married surname?

A. Yes; the invitations and announcements should read "of their daughter Mrs. Mary Smith Jones."

Q. Is it correct to wear four or five gardenias in a corsage?

A. No. Never more than three, if they are small. Two are ideal for evening wear and one for street wear.

Q. Are candles correct on a luncheon or breakfast table?

A. No, only on the dinner table.

Household Scrapbook
By Roberta Lee

TOOTH POWDER

A fragrant tooth powder can be made by mixing thoroughly five ounces of areca-nut charcoal, [illegible] ounces of cuttle-fish bone, one ounce of areca nuts, raw and powdered. Strain through a fine sieve.

COFFEE AND TEA STAINS

Coffee and tea stains on linen can be removed by soaking the spots in glycerine. Allow to remain for several hours, then wash in the usual manner.

DUSTCLOTHS

There are many kinds of dustcloths on the market, but old stockings ripped open probably make the best dustrags. They do not leave lint

A Morning Smile

The disgruntled shareholder venting his wrath on the chairman of the company meeting. "Sir," he said, "I think you're the biggest rascal unhung."

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