

Puzzle Problem Will Develop The Students of Shakespeare

THE army of puzzlers, if this week's puzzle counts for much, will develop into a gallant army of Shakespearians.

We will have to eliminate the sentence which the initials of the names were to make since Nov. 1 and 5 of the original puzzle were unintentionally omitted.

At first glance the puzzle looks rather difficult, but when you get pretty well down to it I am sure the obstacles will disappear, while when the whole thing is worked out I am sure that Major Stevens' puzzle will take its place with the successful problems which have preceded it.

I am assured meantime that the words used in describing the names are all to be found in standard works and that while the definitions given are in some instances not as we know them generally they are nevertheless perfectly legitimate.

With the puzzle spread out before me—the names of the characters and the names of the plays in which they figure—the puzzle looks beautifully balanced and well worth the effort the contestants must make in solving it.

PRIZES OFFERED PUZZLE SOLVERS

Weekly prizes of five, three, and two dollars, respectively, are given to the contestants for the puzzle on the Woman's Page of the Sunday evening edition of the Times each week for the three seasons adjudged worthy.

The contest, which closes at 3 p. m. on Friday of each week, is open to all who care to solve the puzzle.

The awards are based, primarily, on correctness, timeliness, and originality. The puzzle solver also receives consideration in awarding the prizes.

I surely hope you will all see things the way I do and incidentally enjoy the solving necessary to bring the disguised worthies to the surface of things.

Frances Carroll

Muslin Bag Convenient For the Toilet Powder

For traveling, or when away from home, it will be found convenient to take one's toilet powder in a small, coarse muslin bag, using the little bag like a puff.

It can be rolled up in the old linen pieces, and in this way will be found handy and easily carried about, no powder to spill, and not requiring much space.

Almost any good cold cream will do for preparing the skin before applying the powder, but there are other things to use just as good. Equal parts of lemon juice and glycerin, or rose water and glycerin, or a dilute film of almond oil, each has its distinction across with the skin, nothing better can be recommended. The lemon whitens and the glycerin softens the skin.

In addition to these virtues the preparation prevents the powder from becoming irremovably fixed in the pores of the skin. Sensitive glycerin, as toilet soap, does not agree with certain skins.

One should always use that which agrees best with one's skin. Frequent changing of toilet applications does more harm than good.

Few Materials Needed To Make an Opera Bag

With a piece of rich moire silk a sufficient quantity of bengaline or gros grain silk and an opera bag is already started.

It may be made for opera glasses alone or ample enough to hold a few little varieties as well, but the lining will be a necessary part of it.

Cut outside material and the softest of satin linings exactly alike, seam them by machine, taking it a deeper seam in the lining to make it a bit smaller.

Slip the lining into the bag, baste the tops together to form a heading and slipstitch the heading perfectly together after which work on the outside a row (from eight to ten) of generous buttonhole loops to take the place of a casing. They may range from three-quarters to an inch deep, according to the width of the drawstrings. Ribbon velvet with a tiny gold ornament sewn on each end as a finish will make the most perfect cords.

Gray with a yellow lining or some of the rainbow combinations of pink and blue make perfect opera bags. Black bengaline with a pearly lining belongs to the dandy woman, and upon the draw ribbons of this should appear a silver ornament.

Home Summer "Resort" May Be Easily Obtained

To enjoy the summer one must make up one's mind to free the house of unnecessary articles to sweep, wash, dust, iron, or move. Only the useful and the beautiful should remain. There are many persons who even take down their curtains during the summer, but this leaves a plain-looking house woefully unattractive. If there is a spacious porch, it can be made the living room for the summer when it is sheltered by vines.

The Dutchman's pipe is a fast growing vine and the moonvine and morning glory make rapid growth. We have more beautiful vines of the tendrill variety which grow more slowly and last much longer. The shade of a single tree, if no more, is welcome. But trees can not be grown in one season and if you do not start your trees this spring, you will have lost a year by next spring. Even a small yard is not complete unless it has a few trees, a hammock is a lazy comfort to many, while the chair swing is appreciated by others.

Whether the house is modern or not modern, it must be cheerful. Many women realize that expenses have been very heavy this year and their summer away from the home is out of the question, and they will try this year to be happy and comfortable at home and make the home so attractive that the trip will be forgotten.

Pockets on Porch Screens Are Great Conveniences

The woman who lives on her porch most of the summer will find it a great convenience to make herself a set of pockets to hang on the screen, or to tack up at the side of the wall.

Take a strip of dark denim or figured art ticking three-quarters of a yard long and twenty inches wide. Two other strips for pockets are cut ten and twelve inches deep and twenty-seven inches wide.

These strips are stitched to the back, one above the other, dividing them into three sections each. Fullness is given by laying each pocket in a box plait. Stitch to the back with several rows of machine stitching or on one of the lines of pocket there can be narrow flat openings which can be slipped fans, pencils, scissors, and even a comb for emergencies.

Finish the tops of the pockets and bind around the four sides of the case with braided or the same color. Fasten brass hooks across the top and bottom, and run small screw eyes into the back of the screen to hold wall pocket firmly in place.

WATERCRESS TAKES PLACE OF LETTUCE

Lettuce seems to form the nest for about eighty out of one hundred salads served at hotels, clubs and private tables.

This is not because it is so universally liked, but because to many persons it seems about the only thing suitable. Watercress is becoming a close second to lettuce and would be more generally appreciated if its merits were better known. The crisp green leaves offer as much contrast to the color of the ingredients of the salad itself as does lettuce, and it is really far more palatable. There is a pungency to the little leaves which is particularly pleasing when used with tomatoes. Chill some tomatoes, remove the pulp and mix with cream which has been cut in small pieces. Put the mixture in the tomato cups, cover the tops with mayonnaise and serve on a bed of cress.

BATTER CAKES.

Take half a pint of huckleberries, raspberries, or strawberries, canned or fresh, and one and one-half pints of flour, one teaspoonful of salt, one tablespoonful of brown sugar, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, two eggs, and one pint of milk. Sift together flour, sugar, salt, and baking powder, add beaten eggs, milk, and berries, mix into a batter; have the griddle hot enough to form a crust as soon as the batter touches it. In order to confine the juice of the berries to the quickly on the other side, turn once more on each side to complete the baking.

The Bedtime Story.

Published for the thoughtful mothers who wish to read to the little folk while they are being tucked into their beds for the night.

GINGER AND THE BUTTERFLY.

By FARMER SMITH.

"ONE morning when the sun was shining brightly at the Cedar Grove railroad station, Ginger, the faithful watch dog, was quietly sleeping." began Ethel's father, one night.

"One eye was shut tight and one was squinting so as to see what was going on and if there were any tramps round about."

"Just as he was ready to go to sleep, he saw a shadow flit past him and he opened his eyes wide only to see a very beautiful thing sitting in front of him."

"Hello," said Ginger. "Who are you?"

"I am the Butterfly," said the stranger.

"Well, I do declare," said Ginger, "how did you get here?"

"I flew," said the Butterfly.

"I wish I could fly," said Ginger. "Why don't you try?" said the Butterfly. "I will," said Ginger, and he sat up and waved his front paws in the air.

"You cannot do it," said the Butterfly, laughing.

"No," said Ginger sadly.

"Do tell me, little Butterfly, what do you do all day?"

"I flit from flower to flower in the golden rays of the sunbeams."

"Where are your flitters?"

"I haven't any flitters," said the Butterfly. "I have only wings."

"Where did you come from?" said Ginger.

"I came from a cocoon."

"Did I come from a cocoon?" said Ginger, looking round at his tail, very much amused.

"Why," said the Butterfly, "we are the only ones that come from cocoons."

"Well," said Ginger, "I am very glad of that, because if I were like you I should like to have flitters or wings or whatever you call them—parade me, but I think I see a Jackrabbits over there, and I want to make him run a little bit."

"Good-by," said the little Butterfly as he flew away.

SOME FOUR-IN-HANDS AND STRAIGHT TIES Daily Fashion Talk.

By FRANCES CARROLL.

WHEN all is said and done and you have counted at least half a score of good looking jabots and rabats and frills and bows of lace and batiste and linen and net to your collection of neckwear, there is still a space left for those four-in-hands and straight sailor ties do not fill.

The little extra individual touch which is the glory of the well-dressed, smart girl needs emphasizing by some addition which is "different" and as bows and faddy things in ribbon are just now in high favor I take great satisfaction in offering this unique collection of drawings that you may all set to work and in your odd moments evolve some unusual and attractive bits to add to your neckwear outfit.

Incidentally the long, narrow bows are called "devil bows" and I might add that the rose effects are made from No. 16 satin ribbon.

OLD ADAGE.

Cease to lament for that thou canst not help.

And study help for that which thou lament'st.

Time is the nurse and breeder of all good.

Hear'st thou stay, thou canst see thy love.

Besides, thy staying will abridge thy life.

Hope is a lover's staff; walk hence with that.

And manage it against despairing thoughts.

—William Shakespeare.

Styles in Gloves

Whether the gloves are short or long, for dressy wear or for the street, they should fit easily and well. Refined women never wear gloves too small for them.

The fingers of the glove should be quite as long as the fingers of the hand.

Moreover, tight gloves do not last as long as those which fit properly.

Never put on new gloves when the hands are warm or moist. They should be dry, clean and cool.

In putting on long gloves, button the second button first, continuing all the way up, and fastening the first one last. In this way, the kid will not be cracked nor the buttonhole stretched.

Never pull gloves off by the fingertips, but by the wrist.

They will thus be turned wrong-side out and the moisture from the hand will be quickly evaporated.

Never roll up gloves. Place them at full length in a box or perfumed sachet. Light gloves should be put away between two pieces of white flannel, to preserve them from contact with dark gloves, which might stain them.

Light gloves, if only slightly soiled, may be cleaned with flour; if much soiled use gasoline.

Rewovng Dress Shields Precaution in Packing

The economical woman always removes the shields from her bodices and blouses before packing such garments for any length of time.

If you take out a blouse which you have not worn for two months you will generally find that the rubber has stained the silk.

Take a day off and sew short pieces of baby ribbon on the arm axils of all waists and corresponding pieces of the shields.

Then you are fortified against any injury to dress or waists, for you can untie the shields whenever the waist is taken off. An easier fashion is to pin the shields into the sleeves with four small safety pins.

HOW TO MEND YOUR OLD RUBBER SHOES

The following method will be useful in mending your rubber shoes:

Buy of a dentist about 10 cents' worth of rubber dam cloth. Cut about an inch and a half square of the rubber dam in tiny pieces, put into a small bottle, pour on a teaspoonful of chloroform and cork tight.

In ten minutes it will be melted enough for use.

If the hole in the rubber is large, take a few stitches in it. Then cut a patch of the dam considerably larger than the hole. Wet the place to be mended with chloroform; then quickly spread on some of the melted rubber to cover a space as large as you cut the dam. A stick can be used to spread it with.

Wet the rubber patch with chloroform and stick it on. The rubber in the bottle can be used again by adding chloroform to it.

GLYCERINE IS GOOD TO CLEAN FABRICS

A good way to take coffee stains out of the most delicate fabrics is to rub the stain with glycerine and after that with clear water.

To set the color in delicately colored garments, soak for a night in a pail of tepid water containing one-half pint of turpentine. After being wrung out and dried, the goods can be washed without fading.

A sure way to keep eggs from breaking while being boiled is to put a few holes with a pin in the end of them.



Daily Horoscope

"The stars incline, but do not compel."

Tuesday, April 12, 1910.

New workers, high or low, patience and calm must show.

URANUS is in benefic aspect with the three-day-old Moon on this 12th day of the year.

The sign is good for subtlety in reasoning, penetration, originality and science.

There is danger of trouble with employees. Employers will do well to restrain anger or impatience, and reserve rebuke till tomorrow wherever possible, as the time is inauspicious. Employees must guard their tongues and be particularly careful not to slander others.

Married people will be in danger of quarreling if they bring up vexing subjects or indulge in teasing and scolding.

Accountants and others engaged in intricate figuring should find this period conducive to clear perception.

Involved subjects of all kinds, business entanglements, social difficulties, and questions of personal behavior will be under good powers, promising that consideration will produce results of value.

Women employes are under especially good omens. The time is excellent for hiring women for work in shops, offices or houses.

Cabbage, arrow-head, cream, lettuce, cucumbers, pumpkin, iris, purslane, saxifrage, and winter green are powerful under the Moon, according to herbal lore.

Persons with this birth date are under stars that warn them against quarrels, lawsuits and speculation or gambling during the twelvemonth.

Children born under the aspects of today should learn self-control, perseverance and confidence in their own powers and ideas.

Baby's First Short Frock Usually of White Goods

For baby's first short frock, white is most used. The custom of wearing jumpers over the frock at play time has led, however, to the wearing of the jumper without the frock underneath.

Blue and white and pink and white checked gingham are perhaps the best materials for such a purpose.

Some sprigged dimities may be picked up for almost nothing, which are so pretty that they may be used for even the first short frock.

One little rosebud dimity was very simply made with a shallow tucked yoke, and all the edges of the neck, neck yoke, cuffs and around the bottom, were cut in tiny scallops and buttonholed in pink.

Usually this first short frock is made hanging straight from a small yoke, or plaited from neck and shoulder.

Although white soles easily, it stands laundering better than colors, wherefore it is preferred by some even for dresses that are to stand rough wear.

Buying Is Not All

Household economy does not consist wholly in careful buying. Good care is a supplement to good purchasing. Grape fruit and oranges, if cut in half and not used at once, should be turned out side down on a plate to prevent coming out. Crackers and cereals should be kept in tin, glass, or earthenware. Often such articles get dusty and damp, and must be thrown away.

The piece of left over pie dough will retain moisture if stored in the flour bin. Eggs keep nicely in bran or corn cobs. Ice will not melt so rapidly if covered with a wadded cloth or with newspapers. All vegetables should be kept in a cool place. Lettuce will retain freshness longer when wrapped in a wet towel and placed in a covered vessel. Fresh meat will not spoil in the hottest weather, if submerged in butter milk and kept in a cool place or well covered.

TO DRIVE NAILS

If necessary to drive a nail into the wall to hang a picture, direct it downward so the cord or wire will not slip. As pictures are often jolted sideways, by slamming of doors and the like, it is a good idea to hang the picture face toward the wall, turn it outward and the loop at the top will hold it more firmly. Doubled wire will not slip as easily as a single wire.

FROZEN TOMATO SALAD.

Peel and chop fine eight ripe tomatoes. Season with a little salt, pepper and sugar and three drops of onion juice; turn into a freezer to freeze. Fill a muslin mold with the mixture, pack in ice and salt and let it stand for several hours to ripen. Serve on a bed of white celery leaves, garnish with olives, with mounds of thick dressing over it.

Etiquette of the Funeral Which Should Be Observed

UNDER no conditions should observance of etiquette be omitted at the time of a death in the family of a friend, for persons in bereavement are particularly sensitive, and a slight indication of remembrance will prevent hurt feelings.

Immediately on hearing of the death one or two things may be done. If the acquaintance is formal, it is sufficient to leave a visiting card at the door, or to mail one so that it will be received without delay. Nothing need be written, although there are persons who make a point of putting the word "Condolence" above the name.

In either case the card is put into a small envelope and addressed with the name of the husband and wife, in the case of the bereaved woman being married, or to the woman alone should she be a spinster.

If there are more than two women in the family, as two or three sisters, the envelope should have the address of "The Misses Smith," for example. The persons are not asked for, the card literally being left.

If the acquaintance is informal, it is customary to write a note as soon as the bereavement is known. It is intended that sympathy and remembrance shall be conveyed, and it is not necessary that the communication shall be long.

If, with the publication of the death notice, there is a request that flowers shall not be sent, the wish should be scrupulously observed, no matter how strongly one is tempted to disregard it. To send flowers to the living at such

a time is a charming act, and shows special thought. If they may also go for the funeral they should not be sent until the day set for the funeral. Any kind is considered suitable, and a visiting card must always go with them. Nothing should be written on the card. As it is expected that such tokens shall be acknowledged later, the services of an intimate friend may be called into use at that time. Orders should be given that all flowers brought must be taken to one person, who opens them, saving the cards. These are kept together and given over later into the hands of her who is to acknowledge their receipt. Only by adopting this method can confusion be avoided.

When one is a dear friend of the afflicted family there is an endless number of things that can be done at such a time. It is the privilege of intimates to do at once to the house and, asking to see some member of the family, offer their services to do errands and make any arrangements required. There is always so much to be done in a short time that such offers are accepted with gratitude. For a stranger to make such an offer would be a mark of impertinence, save under exceptional circumstances.

Within a few weeks of the funeral those in bereavement must acknowledge all cards, flowers, and notes. When one can afford to have an engraved form the replies are, of course, simplified. When they cannot be so prepared, one's visiting card and write below the name, "Sincerely thanks for the sympathetic thoughts."

Medium Length Is Choice In Coats for the Season

A medium length is the usual choice in coats rather than the more radical hip depth, although the latter is the recognized mode. Short coats of jaunty style will be more prevalent later on when their rightful season comes.

Frills are a rage with the girls. They are made of lace edged batiste, of basque styles with white or a color that matches the suit and edged with scallops or lace, or they are made of coarse net, often with the salvage edge of the net serving as an outer finish. These plaits, frills serve as collars, which, to make variety from the long used Dutch collar, receive the popular name of "Chantrelers." And similar frills finish the cuffs at the top edge or short sleeves at the bottom. A little velvet bow often makes a finish for the frill at the throat.

Not only women, but girls, are using black satin skirts of excessive narrowness, which knee-length coats that are straight around the bottom. And similar costumes are also made in colors, one tone prevailing in satin and cloth. Walking skirts are made in becoming lengths with no set rule. A girl with pretty feet may wear her skirt so short that the top of her foot is in danger of showing as she steps and the girl with large feet or an awkward gait may have her skirt hem just missing the ground as she walks. But the ultra fashionable walking skirt is a good three or four inches from the floor.

Florida Tomatoes Take Sharp Decline in Price

The feature of the trading on the wholesale markets on the first day of the week was the big sale of Florida tomatoes.

For the last few days shipments from Florida of tomatoes have been very heavy, and the result has been a decline in the price. The drop today on the highest quality goods was 50 cents a crate, bringing the best grade tomatoes down to \$2.50 a crate.

Similar reductions in cucumbers and string beans went into effect today, an indication that green vegetables are coming into the markets in larger quantities, and that the time of production is gradually moving further North.

Eggs are firm at 21 cents a dozen, in wholesale lots and the indications are that there will not be a lower quotation this year. In fact, commission dealers in poultry farm products say that there will be a gradual rise in egg prices from now on.

APPLES ON HALF SHELL.

Cut some thick slices of bread into rounds with a round cutter, butter, and place in a shallow tin baking sheet; pare and core perfect apples of uniform size, cut in half across the equator, and as a half apple on each round of bread; place a plump raisin in the core cavity of each, and sprinkle a mixture of sugar and nutmeg in it. Bake till the edges of the bread are slightly browned and the apple is tender; serve at once.

CELERY AND APPLE SALAD.

Select white, tender celery and firm white apples; have about twice as much celery as apples in the baking sheet; slice apples place them in cold water until ready to use, then chop and mix with the celery into bits. Mix with mayonnaise dressing and serve on lettuce.

GOOD CLOTHES HANGER.

Take an old broom handle and saw it off the length of the wardrobe and wedge it across the inside. Put each suit or garment on a clothes hanger and slide it into the broom handle and you will be pleased to find how many clothes you can put in and how easily you can select what you want to wear without musing up anything.

USE FOR TEA LEAVES.

Save the tea leaves for a few days. Then steep them in a pan of water for about one-half hour. Strain, and use the tea to clean all the varnished paints. It requires very little rubbing (elbow power), and the tea acts as a detergent, cleanses the paint from its impurities, and makes it shine equal to new. It cleans window panes and mirrors much better than soap and water, and is excellent for cleaning black walnut picture and looking-glass frames.

HANDY PIN CUSHION.

A piece of flannel, two inches wide, fastened around the arm of the machine, midway between the place where the spool of thread goes and the wheel, will serve as a pin cushion and needle case. To thoroughly appreciate this you must try it.

HOMINY CROQUETTES.

Mix together two cups of boiled hominy, two eggs, a tablespoon of melted butter, a little salt and a tablespoon of flour. Fry in spoonfuls in hot lard.

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