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JOHN'S SUGGESTION.

Suggester Rosa Thinks He



choice. And your hundred and fifty dollars won't last very long." "No," and Janet Reeves sighed, a "No," and Janet Reeves signed, a very sad look on her gentle face; "and but for your kindness in keeping me here the past six weeks, a great deal of it would have been gone already." "Well, we needn't talk of that," said Mrs. Wayne, briskly. "Let's go back to the subject of this Old Ladies' home. Loby says it is a lovely place.

home. John says it is a lovely place, and—" "You-you surely haven't mentioned the subject to your brother?" inter-rupted Janet, a red flash springing to

her pale cheeks.
"Goodness! No! I wouldn't think of such a thing for a moment. It isn't a matter in which he would be at all

sion, and inwardly rejoiced at the good fortune which had made Rosa Burth-not her guest, for Rosa was young, beautiful, rich and charming, and would make a fitting mistress for John's handsome home, as well as an admir-

able sister-in-law.

"Miss Rosa ready?" he asked. "I'll tell her you have come;" and Mrs. Wayne put down her work—a piece of blue satin she was embroider-

Mr. Humphreys walked to the window and stood there, staring out into the garden. It was easy to find subjects of converse with Rosa Burthnot, who was all life and spirit, but with this shy, elderly spinster he found him-self tongue-tied.

"Oh, I am quite well now,"



JOHN HUMPHREYS CAME IN.

parently intent on the covering of a little primer belonging to Mrs. Wayne's only child. "I cannot call myself an invalid any longer, and I shall go very "Go! Go where?"

you should go at all. Considering what

paid," said Janet, very much embar-rassed. "Think of how devotedly your rassed. "Think of how devotedly your sister nursed me all the time I was laid up with that dreadful rheumatic fever, was situated only a mile from the home. and how I have stayed on here, day after day, since I got well."

"The fever was the result of your plunge into the icy water after little Ruey. It would have been ungrateful, indeed, in Lida, not to have done all in her power in return. Where do you

But the question was never finished, or, to Janet's great relief, there was a bund of gay laughter in the hall, and ida and Rosa came in, the latter draw had and Rosa came in, the latter drawing on a pair of long undressed kid gloves of the latest shade of tan. She was a stylish looking girl, and John Humphreys' eyes rested on her admiringly as she advanced to meet him and threw over his arm, with easy familiarity, her light shawl. And Janet, whe also admired her, wondered how any also admired her, wondered how any man could help falling in love with such a gay, fearless young creature and, taking an opportunity when they were all talking, slipped unnoticed from the room.

The hall window commanded a good view of the broad carriage drive and the country of the coun

view of the broad carriage drive, an Janet, safely hidden from observation by the heavy curtains, watched John Humphreys as he helped Rosa into his light buggy and gathering the reins in his hand sprang in beside her with some merry remark which the pale atcher at the window could not hear. "She has everything, everything!"
murmured the poor, lonely little
woman; "and I—I have nothing. Oh,
why should things be portioned out so
unequally in this world! And yet how
foolish to repine. At my age I ought
to have more sense and courage." to have more sense and courage. But as she thought of her utter lone-iness, and that in a day or two she

ust go forth among strangers, to be-

tion, she put her head down on the broad window-seat, and cried until she

"Janet Reeves is the best, most unselfish woman I ever knew," said Rosa Burthnot, as the buggy rolled out from the gravel drive into the shaded counthe gravel drive into the shaded country road. "I have actually fallen in love with the poor, lonely, little thing, and I don't see how anyone could help it. She is so thoroughly sweet and DON'T see why you should did nind it at all, Janet; it isn't houghtfully, his eyes on the sleek backs of his chestnut horses, but said nothing.

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nothing.

"She is evidently troubled about the future," continued Rosa, "and it is a shame that she is so utterly alone in the world. She ought to have married long ago; but of course she never got are of her old sare you from this. I have known for a month past that you were all the world to me. Janet, darling, look up at me." try village, taking care of her old father. She was telling me yesterday about her home and what a pretty, oldfashioned garden she had, and she cried so pitifully that I couldn't help crying, too. And when her father crying, too. And when her father died his income stopped, and the sale of all the personal effects brought. Only two hundred dollars! She seemed to think she ought to be very grateful to LEC a for having given her a home for so long, and made nothing of having risked her life to save Ruey from drowning. I wish I could do something for her, but she is so proud I would be sure to hurt her feelings if I offered, her anything. Can't you suggest something?"

"I don't know. I'll think the matical day of the love again, but she was none the less happy because of that.

It was well that the buildings of the Old Ladies' home were situated a long way from the road, and that up one was about the grounds, otherwise the old ladies might have had food for gos sip for a long time; for it is not every day that a little dusty spinster is seen weeping on the shoulder of a big, hendsome and very devoted lover.

However, Janet's tears were soon dried, for they were tears of relief and

"I don't know. I'll think the mat-

down to lunch at the ringing of the bell at half past one, she found only Mrs. Wayne and Ruey at the table.

"Where is Miss Janet?" she asked. suggested to her that she ought to say good-by to you, but she is such a timid creature she wouldn't disturb you at your letter writing. She said it would be a matter of no moment to you that she was leaving, and I could make her adieux for her. But I think she was afraid you would ask where she was going. Such absurd pride!" "Why, has she left the village?"

"Yes, she has taken my advice and one to the Old Ladies' home." "Lida! you don't mean it!" "Yes, I do. It was the best step she ould take under all the circumsta She has neither the ability nor the ngth to earn her own living, and it ild be useless for her to attempt it. room, and plenty to eat, at least. It is a lovely place, and not at all like an almshouse, for it is well endowed; and she must pay one hundred dollars to

"But oh! Lida! how friendless the poor little thing must feel; how en-tirely alone in the world! My heart "But what else could she do, Rosa" I think it very fortunate there is an Old Ladies' home for her to go to."

"It is cutting her life short at forty, Lida. She isn't an old lady, and she won't feel that she is in her true place. She will fret herself to death there, and die of a broken heart. But she shan't stay there very long if I can help it. Just as soon as I am married I will take her away.' "You speak as if your marriage were

a probability."
"So it is. I have been making up
my mind for several days to speak to

"I don't exactly understand you, Lida. Mr. Humphreys has nothing to do with my marriage, except that, as guardian for Roland Raspton for ten years, his consent was asked-but as a

finding his tongue at last.
"I want it," exclaimed the ere matter of form.' Mrs. Wayne stared at her friend a noment in bewilderment. with grim resolution written in every "You are engaged to Roland Raspton!" she exclaimed at last. ton!" she exclaimed at last.
"Yes, and we are to be married just
as soon as he returns from Europe."
"I think you ought to have told me
before, Rosa; and I confess I am bitterly disappointed. I was so anxious to
have you for a sister-in-law."
"My doer I like whet atter, you

"My dear Lida, what utter non-sense! Why! your brother is twenty-five years older than I. We are not suited to each other at all."
"Nevertheless, I am disappointed;
and I am sure he cares a great deal for

"Only as a friend; but if I am not mistaken he cares in an entirely differ-

ent way for some one else."
"What do you mean?" and Mrs Wayne looked startled.
"Wait and see;" and with a merry laugh Rosa ran from the room in answer to a call from Mrs. Wayne's little

daughter in the garden.

Meanwhile Janet, a little leather bag in her hand, and a look of utter dejection on her face, was making her way from the Ridgefield station to the Old Ladies' home, a distance of "But I cannot trespass any longer on your sister's hospitality. I have already stayed too long."

"That is absurd! I don't see why contained the use of the station hack, feeling that she could not rou did for—"
"O, Mr. Humphreys, that was nothing—nothing at all!"
"Nothing,' to rescue an only child from drowning! I don't agree with roll of a carriage, and looking around saw, to her consternation, that he who held the reins over the backs of the It was too late for escape. She had been recognized; and in another ment the chestnuts were drawn

sharply, and their owner was on his feet by Miss Janet's side. "Miss Janet! Is it possible! Why, what are you doing here?' Janet was unable to answer, and her



"MISS JANET! IS IT POSSIBLE!" ves fell before the earnest, penetra

"Do you know anyone in here?"
"No," she faltered, "I-I have had "You!" For a moment John Humphreys stared at her aghast. "You can't be in earnest. You are joking."

Janet shook her head sadly, though she tried to smile. "It is true."

"But you are not an old lady."

"That does not make any difference.

broad window-seat, and cried until she was exhausted. She did not dream for a moment that the handsome couple in the carriage were even then talking of the carriage were even then talking of her.

I am obliged to go here for a time, at aleast. That rheumatic fever left me is the very weak, and I am not able just now to make any effort toward my own sunnort." "That does not make any difference

he began.

"No, there is no one at all," she said, the tears standing thickly in her The sight of them moved him strange-

ly.
"Don't speak so positively. Do you count me as no one? I am your friend, Janet, and I will never let you enter this onto if I can help it." His voice was low and determined, and there was a ring of passion in it that made Janet tremble from head to

the next instant she was in his arms.
Ah! she had never known until now how sweet it was to be loved and to

However, Janet's tears were soon dried, for they were tears of relief and ter over," answered John Humphreys; and then he turned the conversation to something else, and Janet's name was not mentioned again.

Two days after this, when Rosa came down to lunch at the ringing of the Humphreys.

Mrs. Wayne refused at first to be seen the converse to the minutes later she was sitting in the carriage by her lover's side, on her way to Ridgefield, where, in the small parlor of the Methodist parsonage, she was speedily made Mrs. John Humphreys.

Mrs. Wayne refused at first to be seen the f

Mrs. Wayne refused at first to be Mrs. Wayne retused at first to be reconciled to the match; but when she saw how perfectly happy her brother was, and how graceiously Janet filled her position a mistress of Beechwood, she concluded to make the best of it, and held out the olive branch forth-

suggest something for Janet's relief.
"And as a suggester, he is simply perfect!" she said. To which Mrs. Wayne made no reply.—Florence B. Hallowell, in Demorest's Magazine.

Wanted It in Writing.

"Seaddsby is a suspicious fellow," said Brief the lawyer. "I did some work for him a little while ago, and when he asked for the bill I told him it was all right—I wouldn't charge him He thanked me cordially, but said he'd like to have a receipt."-

Customer-Look here! I brought in thirteen collars the other day and you returned only seven. This is an out-

"Waiter, will you please bring me a my mind for several days to speak to you about it."

"Rosa! I am delighted!" and Mrs. Wayne rose hastily to press a kiss on the girl's blooming cheek. "But it seems to me John might have given me some inkling of it, knowing as he does 'that for years I have wanted him to marry."

tonishment. The rattle of knives, forks and spoons ceased. The hum of conversation died away. Even the appetizing odors that hung over the lux-urious tables seemed to loose their hold on the senses, and a score of petrified analyse petrified trays covered with petrified roasts, steaks, sandwiches, veguation. tonishment. The rattle of

etables, fruits and pastry. "Wh-what do you want of a ham-" stammered the waiter add

up this powdered sugar!"-Chicago Trib-4.8 cents per pound gained. To sum marize it appears: 1. That a very nar row ration is not fed with economy, and may even cause death through Learning an Art. His Father-Well, Eddie, how did your first lesson on the snare drum go off? Eddie-The professor asked me

lack of power to assimilate food in so concentrated a form. 2. That not the slightest difference is made in the pro-portions of fat and lean meat in hogs name, and then gave me a rigmarole to say over and beat time to on the drum till I could do it fast. It made me aw-What was it he had you say?" "'Dead, dead, dead, dead'll be Ed'll be dead'll be Ed'll be dead'll be

Ed'll be dead,' and I guess I would have died if he'd made me keep it up much ALLow each hen three square feet of

longer."-Jury. Wall Street All Right Mrs. De Stocks-Wall street must be very dull. I saw in the paper this morning that hundreds of men who used to spend from \$1.50 to \$2 every day for lunch now go to cheap places where they can get a lunch for fifteen or twenty cents, and then sneak off to still cheaper places for their cigars. Mr. De Stocks—Oh, Wall street is all

right. Those brokers' wives have been at the summer resorts, and the bills are beginning to come in.—N. Y. Weekly. "Mother, will you be kind enough to cook the dinner to-day? John was so dissatisfied with the cook that I sent per off, without telling him about it. "Certainly, my daughter."

John (at the dinner table)—Maria

you must send off that cook. This is the worst deal she has given me yet.-Texas Siftings. At Asbury Park. Any kind of grease is certain death to lice, while the odor of certain oils, like cedar, kerosene or spirits of turpentine will drive them away. Miss Skinner—We must never nize Sue Promise again. Miss Bones-What impropriety she been up to now?

Miss Skinner—We were looki Some hens are natural fighters, and one such among a lot of hens will mo-nopolize food and roosting quarters to the detriment of all of the others.

certain spot with the naked D'jever!—Jeweler's Circular. WINTER layers depend upon early pullets, early pullets depend upon early setters and early setters depend upon winter layers. A failure of one means Horrifled Guest-There's a r this soup. Take it away, quick!
Waiter—Yes, sah. Wait just one minute, sah, till I catch him.—Good News

and she said she could

A VIRGINIA CREEPER.



"I understand that you have be tending the lectures on 'First Aid to the Injured,' Miss Rosalie," said the

"Yes," answered the sweet girl. "Can—can you tell me," whispered the youth, drawing a little nearer, "what you would do for a bro—broken heart?"-Truth Follows Naturally.

"How does it happen," inquired the stranger, "that all the improvements are being made on this one street?" "It doesn't happen at all, sir," re-plied the citizen who was showing him about the village, majestically. "This is the street I live on. I am president of the town board, sir."-Chicago Trib

in the strawberry, the Kentucky state college of agriculture, by the director of experiments in the published bulle-tin, goes into the subject in its minutia, of which the following is a synopsis: Young plants are not liable to blight

until their leaves are nearly grown, and new beds, commonly, show but year which is worth recording. Some the fore part of August it was observed that the young plants next the old She looked up, their eyes met, and



fell in greatest numbers upon the young plants nearest the blight-in-fested ones. The lesson to be drawn from the fact is too plain to need pointing out. If it were possible, indeed, to isolate beds of young plants so as to prevent the access to the leaves of all spores, plants might be kept free from blight indefinitely. All through the summer the blight is

ing disappointed her, and there was a decided coolness between them on that propagated by these long spores. Toward fall the threads which have been mentioned as forming the growaccount, which was not lessened when Rosa told how she had urged John to ing part of the parasite within the sub-stance of the strawberry leaf, form solid, tissue-like masses in the dead part of spots, and finally these appear at the surface as small black dots. The function of these little nodules appears to be to preserve the parasite condi-tions of weather unfavorable to active growth and multiplication. They are in the old leaves all winter, and send out in swing, threads, bearing, spores out in spring threads bearing spores similar to the long, jointed summer

The cut will show the peculiar charac-

RATIONS FOR PIGS.

POULTRY PICKINGS.

Much loss in eggs is often occa

Ir eggs are to be kept any time they

poultry house

Relative Amounts of Fat and Lean Unchanged by Gramary Foods.

Bulletin 10 of the Virginia experiment station gives the details of experiments with 3 different rations fed to pigs to determine their relative economy and the comparative amount of fat and lean produced by each. The first ration was corn meal alone, in which the percentage of nitrogen was are of the Organ Described
Amply Illustrated. first ration was corn meal alone, in which the percentage of nitrogen was quite small; the second consisted of 10 parts corn meal, 4 parts bran, and 1 part beef scrap, and the third of 5 parts corn meal, 3 parts bran and 2 parts beef scrap, which had a large percentage of nitrogen. At the beginning of the experiment the 3 groups of pigs (3 in each group) weighed about the same amount, but it soon became evident the third group which ate most nitrogenous food, was not gaining as rapidly as the others, and after about 2 months all three of this group died. An examination showed that they perished from lack of power to assimilate food. The other groups were slaughtered after 13 weeks' feeding, but no difference in the relative amounts of fat and lean could be discovered. The group fed corn meal alone had gained

portions of fat and lean meat in hog-fed corn meal alone and corn meal beef scrap and bran. 3. That the cos-per pound increase of live stock weigh was one-half of 1 cent per pound in favor of the bran-fed lot. PEKIN ducks are best where there ar good floor for poultry.

HENS must be provided with warn to be left in when it is used. The policies driven through the openings of through the tube formed by the lainto the object stung. This poison an acid fluid which the bee secretes a stores in the sack, C. Being acid alkali, as ammonia, or soda, will n tralize it and help to allay the pain a swelling.—Orange Judd Farmer. Using milk to make soft feed for

Waste Fruit for Poultry.

It may not be known that if wast apples are cooked and a small duantity of meal added, the hens will felist the mess. Experiments made by Prof. W. P. Wheeler at Geneva, N. with cooked apples, gave results the exceeded his anticipations. While such a cooked apples of the wind the such as the food was not equal to some other convinced that it pai

Cholly (at sea beach)—I say, old boy, what shall we do this evening?
Old Boy—Let's go round to the Bangup hotel hop and see the gurls dawnce with each other.—N. Y. Weekly. Modern Journalhm. Editor—Well, did you see Mr. Nabob? Reporter—Yes, sir; but he refused to

Editor-Very well. Make the interiew about two columns.-Puck

Judge—What led you to think the prisoner was a burglar?

Officer—Why, his pockets were full of burglar alarms when I arrested him.—

The Detective 'Skeeter.

"I don't want you to make use word rum again, my son."
"Why not, pa?"

opened. This is deception, which no honest man will practice. The first fruit exhibited should be a fair exhibi-tion of the whole contents. The mistake is sometimes made of

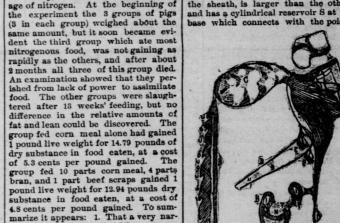
including single specimens, when too ripe or soft, as in case of the packer of Bartlett pears, who saw one so fine and handsome, although turning yellow with ripeness, that he was tempted to include it in the package. It had lost its elasticity, and, becoming soft, yielded to the pressure of the hard pears around it, and was crushed and destroyed by the jar of the railroad. This loosened the others, which in turn were bruised and spoiled. The whole contents of the package thus became bruised and worthless, but this was only a small part of the loss to the shipper, for the purchasers would try no more Bartlett pears from so careless a source.

a source.

These remarks on shipping apples and pears by the quantity, do not apply to packing small and select pears in baskets and boxes for conveyance by express, nor to choice specimens of apples, each of which is wrap tissue paper for special mar Country Gentleman.

THE BEE'S STING.

The organ of defense which worker bees possess is a very complicated structure. The sting is composed of two highly-polished, sharp, hollow spears or lawets. B, B, and an awl, A, in the illustration, held firmly together by projections T on the central one, which fit into grooves T on the sides of the other two. These lancets lying together form a tube between them. The central lance A, sometimes called the sheath, is larger than the others and has a cylindrical reservoir S at the base which connects with the poison



u, u, Barbs.
sack, C, by the tube M and below by a salit with the tube made by the joining of the three lancets. The smaller lancets B, B, have at their bases peculiar valves, E, E. Their points are barbed, U, U, in the sectional drawing, which also shows the tube in the lancet, and the openings O, O, connecting the tube with the exterior. These barbs catch and hold, causing the sting to be left in when it is used. The poison is driven through the openings and

If eggs are to be kept any time they should be washed clean as soon as they are gathered.

One reason why corn should be fed at night during the winter is that it is one of the very best materials for making animal heat.

When fowls purchased for breeding are brought to the yards keep them separate from the other poultry for two or three days.

Any kind of grease is certain death to lice, while the odor of certain olls, like edge, kerseane or spirits of turning free food to be more bulky and less concentrated. At this season the hens will thrive best on the range, where they can secure grass, seeds and insects, as variety promotes thrift.

Waste Fruit for Poultry.

It may not be known that if waste

yet he was convinced that it po to utilize the waste fruit for po Not That Kind of Pressure "Your daughter refuses to be

"No. To tell the truth she is always so distant that I have been afraid to His Great Work. Penelope Adams—Are you an admirer of Addison, Mrs. Nueboddy?
Mrs. Nueboddy—Oh, my, yes.
Penelope Adams—And what think you was his best effort?
Mrs. Nueboddy—The phonograph, by

That Was It.

"Did you ever discover anything that a Vassar girl doesn't know?"

"Only once. She didn't know a garter snake when she saw it."

"Oh, pshaw! She knew, but she didn't like to tell."—Puck.

"Hawksby—(meekly)—I'm married!—

Judge.

Suspice.

"Hello!" said the ace of spades to the ace of hearts, "I didn't see you last night."
"No," replied the latter, "I was up

"The Detective 'Skeeter.
"The ghost that has been haunting that old Jersey mansion is a fraud."
"How do you know?"
"The last time he appeared, he spent half his time slapping at mosquitos."