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Women's Page

BY A WOMAN



HERMIONE AND PERDITA

These 2 women are the heroines of Shakespeare's play, "The Winter's Tale." The play begins with Polixenes, the king of Bohemia departing on a visit to his old friend. Leontes, the king of Silicia. Leontes is delighted at the prospect of his coming and charges all his courtiers to do every thing to honor his guest. Hermone, his loving faithful wife, eager to please her husband, receives the guest with a warm welcome. And, pleased with the genuine hospitality which he receives, Polixenes lengthens his visit in Silicia. In the meantime Leontes becomes jealous of his friend, as he sees him so often in the Queen's company, and charges Camillo his faithful servant to murder his friend. Camello, knowing that the kings jealously was groundless, tells Polixeness of the King's orders and Polixines, makes a hasty escape to his own country taking with him Camello who dares not stay in his own land for fear of the king's anger. Hermione is placed in prison but there she finds many friends, who know that she is innocent. Then her child is born, in prison. Paulina the queen's impetuous friend, takes the little one to Leontes, pleading with him to spare mother and child, but the infuriated king orders Antigonus, the husband of Paulina to take the baby girl and expose it on some hillside, Antigonus, feeling he must obey the king's orders sailed away, and just as he was leaving the baby on the hillside, a bear comes out and devours him.

The child wrapped in Hermiones mantel with a great purse of gold is found by an humble shepherd so he takes her and brings her up as his own daughter. At the same time at Silicia Leontes has his wife brought out for trial, but while he is accusing her, messengers come, saying that his son is dead. The king is filled with grief and the queen faints. Just then messengers come in to say that the Delphic Orncle has declared that the queen is innocent and that the king would be without an heir until the lost is found."

The King filled with remorse, resolves to do every thing to make up to the queen for his suspicious, but Paulina comes in and tells him she is dead. His grief is terrible, and he spends his time mourning for his wife and children and also lamenting his injustice to his friend, Polixenes.

In the meantime the shepherd calls the baby, Perdita and she grows up to be a beautiful queenly maiden. Florizel, Polixenes' son, happens to see her as he was visiting the Shepherds shearing their sheep and from that time on, his father and the court saw little of the prince.

Wondering at his son's many absences from home Polixenes finds out from Camillo that Florizel is in love with a Shepherdess so he and Camillo disguise themselves and go to find him.

The Shepherds are having a feast and the king disguised as a shepherd is cordially welcomed. He sees his son madly in love with a maiden whose beauty and grace impress him, but when his son tells him he is to marry this simple maiden, Polixenes throws his disguise aside, and forbids the marriage. But Florizel is determined and they embark on a ship which carries them to Silicia. Polixines follows them and also the Shepherd who carries with him the gold and clothing found on the baby, and so they all meet at the court of Leontes, and Perdita is found to be the King's daughter.

The two kings embrace and make up, delighted at having their children marry. But Leontes murmers again and again, "If only Hermione were here." Then Paulina tells them that she had a statue of the Queen that is so like her that one would think it had life. So the king and his company, and Peridta, who is so eager to see the image of her mother, all go to Paulina's house. There indeed stood the statue on a pedestal so life like that it seems the living queen. At a word from Parlina it steps down. Then the King rushes to embrace it and finds its flesh soft and warm. Then the statue puts its arms around his neck and he finds that it is indeed alive that Hermione, his wife, is restored to him to be loved and honored as long as he lives. This play is most interesting and the women characters are very fine though it is difficult to bring them out in such a short sketch, so it is hoped that you will read the play and enjoy the fine thoughts brought out and the sweet personality of the women.

Salt Water a Good Mouth Wash

The best possible thing for your gums to prevent pyrhoea is a vigorous massaging of the gums with your fingers. It should be done every day either in the morning or before retiring at night.

Dentifrices.—The function of the dentifrice is simply that of a mechanical aid to clean the teeth. It should not be too gritty r to soapy, nor have any particular medicatio.n in it.

Mouth Washes—the best mouth wash is a salt solution, according to many specialists. Usually normal salt solution is recommended—one teaspoonful to a pint of water; though it is twice the strength of the normal solution—one level teaspoonful to the full eight-ounce glass of water—it is very much more effective in killing off the germs of the mouth. She advises after brushing to rinse the mouth thoroughly, drawing the water in between the teeth, and then gargling the throat three times. Then hold a small mouthful for five minutes (one can be dressing meanwife), expel this, and gargle three times again.

White With Black Is Popular in Paris

New York, May 28 (A.P.).—White is still the leading color in Paris. Jacket ensembles combining white with black are seen everywhere. One popular model consists of a sleek black satin skirt with a white satin tie-jacket. Both skirt and jacket are incrusted with tucks in crows' feet formation.

Several new evening gowns, after the Grecian influence, are fashioned of white. One of dull georgette velvet is shirred to three inches below the knees, where it breaks into an elegantly sweeping fullness of the heels and is finished with a big, shirred roll. A gold kid belt is the only trimming.

Another white gown is fashioned of finely pleated white crepe roma. Gold embroidered bands bind the hips and either a gold kid belt, or a gold cord, and gold kid sandals are worn with it.

More Important

New York, May 28 (A.P.).—Costume details are more and more carrying out a relationship with millinery, emphasizing the extreme importance of the hat for all occasions.

Sailor hats, for instance, are sometimes banded with plaid taffeta to match a wider plaid scarf tied under the chin, or with polka-dot foulard, matching a foulard scarf.

Knitting Needles

New York, May 28 (A.P.).—Knitting needles are not minding their knitting, but they are being awfully smart when they pierce through the crown and give such a distinctly decorative note to a new sailor of stitched fabric.

RECIPES
From the Housekeeper's Handy Book

If your child dislikes eggs as eggs try giving them to him in custards or eggnogs.

Well-lighted rooms help to make a home cheery as well as healthful and efficient.

A closed, curtained shelf over the kitchen work table helps the housewife to save steps.

A spring-clip clothespin with the name of the owner printed on it is a safeguard for children's rubbers both at home and at school.

Before punishing a child the adult should decide whether the behavior was objectionable with reference to the child's ultimate good or only from the standpoint of his own personal and immediate comfort.

A quart of milk daily for each child and a pint for each adult in the family is a good standard for health.

Chocolate Pudding

Here is a recipe for a chocolate pudding with custard sauce which might be of interest.

4 tablespoonsfuls cornstarch.
4 tablespoonfuls sugar
4 tablespoonfuls cocoa
4 egg whites
1 pint milk
1 teaspoonful vanilla

Sauce

4 egg yolks
1 -2 cup sugar
1 pint milk
1 teaspoonful vanilla.

Mix cornstarch, sugar and cocoa thoroughly, put in top of double boiler with pint milk, and cook until thick. Fold in well beaten egg whites, return to fire for a minute or two, add vanilla, and set in a mold rinsed in cold water. May be made in a saucepan, provided ingredients are mixed cold and it is stirred constantly until the boiling point is reached.

For the sauce, put the egg yolks, milk and sugar to cook in the double boiler. When thickened, remove from the fire and add the vanilla.

Makes a beautiful desert molded in individual molds, served with the yellow sauce surrounding it.

Pork Chops in Spanish Sauce

4 pork chops.
1 tablespoonful each celery, carrot and onion—chopped
2 tablespoonfuls flour
1-2 cupful stock
1-2 cupful tomato juice
1-2 teaspoonful salt
1-8 teasponful pepper

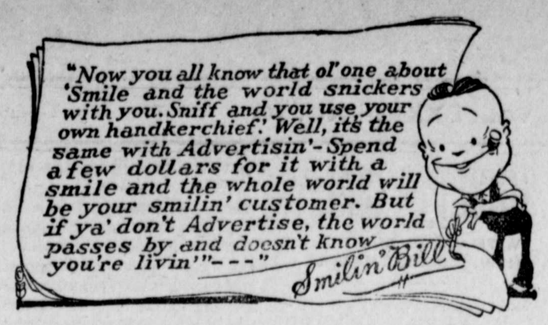
Sear the chops on both sides in a hot frying pan. Remove and cook the chopped vegetables in the fat until they are nicely browned. Stir in the flour and add the stock, tomato juice and seasonings, stirring until smooth. Place the chops in the sauce, cover and simmer until tender. Add more stock, if necessary.

Gutenberg Bible

The so-called "42-line Gutenberg Bible," printed on parchment in three volumes, was bought by Dr. Otto H. F. Vollbehr, of Berlin, from the monastery of St. Blase, in the village of St. Paul, province of Carinthia. Congress appropriated $1,500,000 for the purchase of this and many other rare books in the Vollbehr collection. No amount was specified for the Bible alone, it being included in the total collection of incunabula. Austria possessed seven of these rare Bibles, but at the close of the war sold five of them. Only three perfect copies of this Bible exist, of which one is in London, one in Paris and one in the Library of Congress.

Wisdom

That which we call wisdom is no heritage from our forbears, nor can it be learned in a classroom. It is to be found in the living of life. Maturity of judgment comes when thought has been deepened by knowledge and life tempered by experience.—Grit.



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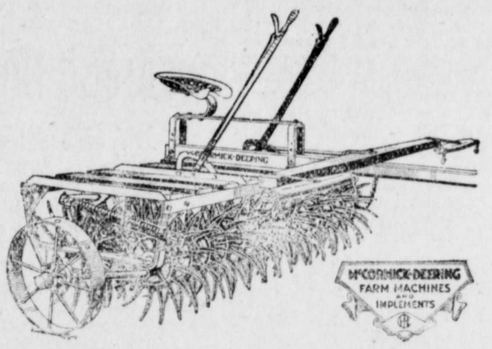
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