

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

GILDING the LILY



MAN HAS MADE MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO NATURE'S BEAUTY PROGRAM... BUT SOMETIMES HIS ARTISTIC SENSE GOES OUT-OF-BOUNDS!

THE ASPEN AND BIRCH ARE BEAUTIFUL IN THEIR WHITE TRUNKS... BUT WHEN MAN APPLIES THE WHITEWASH BRUSH TO A TREE TRUNK... THAT'S DIFFERENT.



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NO ONE KNOWS WHO THOUGHT UP THE IDEA OF COVERING OVER BEAUTIFUL STONES AND BOULDERS WITH PAINT....OR WHY.



A FEW YEARS AGO, TREE BUTCHERY BECAME THE VOGUE... AND NOW JUST LOOK AT THAT ROW OF BIG ELMS ALONG OUR STREET.

JOHNNY'S CHICKEN HUT

THE OBEDIENT CEDAR LONG HAS TEMPTED MAN TO MAKE IT OVER INTO ALL SORTS OF TOTEM POLE DESIGNS.



SEE WHAT WE'VE DONE TO THE DOG KNOWN AS THE FRENCH POODLE! FASHION NOW DECREES THAT HE BE KEPT CLIPPED.



...AND THOSE ARTIFICIAL EYE-LASHES.

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FRECKLES FRIENDS



MY GOSH... WHY PICK ON ME?

HOW CAN WE PRACTISE FIRST-AID WITHOUT SOMEONE TO WORK ON?



WHAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE WRONG WITH ME?

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO HAVE A SPRAINED ANKLE. HAVE YOU GOT THE SPLINT READY, JUNE?



I DON'T THINK SPLINTS ARE USED FOR SPRAINS, HILDA!

IF I HAD MY FIRST-AID BOOK HERE, I'D PROVE IT!



I THINK IT'S A WONDERFUL JOB, IF YOU ASK ME!

CAN YOU WALK ON IT, LARD?



NOPE!



ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, LARDIE?

BETTER HURRY RIGHT OVER, DOCTOR!



CAN YOU STAND UP?

I GUESS SO... BUT IT HURTS WHEN I DO!



YOUNG MAN, YOU HAVE A SPRAINED ANKLE!



OH, DOCTOR, ISN'T IT A GOOD THING WE WERE HERE?



NOW HE WON'T HAVE TO HAVE IT RE-BANDAGED!

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