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CUT UP FAMOUS SAPPHIRE Only Fragments Remain of Magnificent Stone That Was Worth Several Million France.

It is a strange story, that of the Branicki sapphire, which M. Lacomblez, examining magistrate, is at present investigating. This precious stone, known as "The King of Sapphires," belonged to the Branicki famlly; it was bought at Frankfort in 1840, weighed 291 carats, is said to have been worth several million francs, and was taken from the hip pocket of Count Navier Branicki at Warsaw in July, 1918, during the German occupation.

The count found hinsself in Paris recently, and knowing that there is an important market for preclous stones in the city he thought he would ank the police to make inquiries about his sapphire. The police inspectors found in possession of a dealer in precious stones not the sapphire but portions of it. The dealer told how a few months ago he bought the sapphire for 185,000 francs from a Lithuanian dealer established near Kovno, whom he knew to be an honest man. He was aware that the stone had

figured in the exhibition in Vienna in 1867 and in the Paris exhibition in 1978, and realizing that it would be difficult to get rid of it he had it cut into fragments, some of which were utilized in rings and necklaces. Of the 201 carats only 136 carats remain. -Paris Correspondence London Tele-

SPOILED HIS "GOOD THING"

Youthful Financier Was Doing Spien. didly Until His Mother Butted Into the Game.

"It's sure tough when a feller has business ability and is cleaning up money right and left and then his mother goes and spoils it all," said Tommy mournfully, "Why, I was making more money than any kid on

"Well, how did you make your mon ey and why dld your mother make you quit?" the boy was asked.

"The fellers around here never used to have any place to play marbles until I thought of my back yard," Tom-my replied. "I used to charge them three cents to come into my yard and play. It really was worth the money, because in my place they had all the room they wanted and, besides, they would never get chased by the cop. At last I got about 20 to 35 costumers a day and my mother said she wouldn't let me run my business any more because the kids made too much noise."

The Perils in a Kiss.

"As for Elodie-what did a kiss or two matter? If one paid all that attention to a kiss one's life would be a complicated drama of a hundred threads. 'A kiss is nothing'-so ran one of her obiter dicta-'unles you feel it in your toes. Then look out."

"A kiss must mean either very much or very little. There are maidens to she doesn't quite understand, she goes whom it signifies a life's consecration. off and does something else, so all There are men whose blood it fires the work gets done in time." Later whom it signifies a life's consecration. with burning passion. There are couples of different sex who jointly cousider their first kiss a matter of supreme importance, and, the temporary rapture over, at once begin to discuss the possibilities of parental approbation and the ways and means of matrimony. A kiss may be the very devil of a thing, leading to two or three dozen honorably born grandchilren, or to suicide, or to celibate addic-



"Why are you so pensive?" he asked. Englishwoman Found Some Disadvan-

"I'm not pensive," she replied. "But you haven't said a word for 20 minutes."

"Well, I didn't have anything to

her cleverfiess in getting a Russian "Don't you ever say anything when servant. "She can't speak a word of you have nothing to say?" English, and I can't speak Russian,'

"No." she said. "Will you be my wife?" he asked.

Embarrassing Questions.

Now when the mortality rate of grandmothers, etc., is about to reach its peak, one firm, a large employer of boys, and evidently with some feels ing for grandmothers, has inaugurated an employment application blank which calls for full and detailed information regarding the health of their relatives .- New York Evening Post.

Luck.

Edith-I have only two girl enemies and they don't speak to each

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ECONOMY.

"They're to begin economizing." "That so?"

"Yes. She confided in me yesterday that she thought she'd try manizuring her own fingernalls and dressing her hair herself to cut down ersenses."-Detroit Free Press.

Deny me. Life the prize of gold. and fame's alluming gleams, men, if you must hearts' love withhold.



"A Li. in the boyhood of the year" protect them from perspiration of the devotees of the middle bear a borse.

call to country roads and city bridle Trousers are made in the peg-top paths. Young summer and early knicker eyls and an innovation among autumn are irresistible to the horse them appears in a model that fastens woman and, if she is not already fitted with buttons at each side of the front, out, now is the time in which to get but it has no advantage over the regready for the greatest enjoyment to ulation model. They are reinforced be got out of the sport. If a habit in the seat with chamois and on the in the seat with chamois and on the ts to be bought it should be given legs with leather.

peinstaking consideration, for habits The materials used for habits in last a long time and styles do not clude covert cloth and whipcorda vary much from season to season. It is worth while to buy them, therefore, tweeds, meltons, serges and corduroy in good materials and there are sevamong the moderately priced wools eral models to choose from so that the khaki and special summer wear materials as linen, pongee and Palm Beach matter of becomingness may be given cloth. Colors in wools include tans

browns, blues, mixtures, dark gray, small shepherds' checks in black and white (of serge or other suiting) and bleached tones and blouses are usual- sion merchants." ly open at the throat

with one-button fastening and trim lines, the paddock coat with skirt portion set onto the body and a shorter coat with ripple skirt. These coats are faultlessly tallored and faced up at the bottom with rubberized cloth to

Variations in style are achieved in

coats. There are the loosely fitted,

belted model with narrow belt made

of the material in the coat, having

semifitted, long-waisted English model

two-button fastening at the front, the

attention.

tion to cats, or to the fate of Abelard. or to the Fall of Troy. • • • Vol-umes could be written on it."-From "The Mountebank" by W. J. Locke.

The Modern Mark,

Mayor Moore of Philadelphia, being congratulated on the success of his administration, laughed and observed: "Good workmen are always modest

about their work. A lady once said gushingly to Mark Twain : "'I guess, being such a grand writer

as you are, you're awfully fond of books, aren't you?'

"'Well, that depends,' drawled the humorist. 'If a book has a leather cover it has magnificent value as a razor strop. A brief, concise work, such as the French write, is very use ful to put under the short leg of a wabbly table. Large, old-fashioned books with clasps can't be beat as minutes to hurl at dogs and cats. A large book, like a geography, is nearly as good as a piece of tin to pall ever a broken window pane.""

Bass Les Age

A succession of such eruptions as that of the Mount Katmal volcane ereption in Alaska is June, 1912. would plunge the earth into another hee age by reducing the san's temperature to a low degree on earth. Dr. Bobert E. Grigges said before the American Association for Advancemont of Science at a general session among the higher priced models; In an address the national geographic expedition to Mount Katmai.

Agricultural Pessimist,

"Hiram," said Mrs. Corntossel, "the fruit is goin' to be a failure." "Well," replied her husband, "we might as well get the news early right a few greens and purplish reds, Sum-mer habits are in the natural un-learn the bad news from the commis-

Good at Bookkeeping.

Hub-I don't believe you can keep account of the money you spend. Wife-Oh, yes, I can. It's the money I can't keep.

ulking in the kitchen elgarettes, and I can't make her un-Mabel-How fortunate! stand that she's not to take them !"

Must Take a Present.

tages in Giving Instructions in

the Sign Language.

she finlshed. "But how do you man-

age, then?" asked her friend. "Oh,

it's quite simple. I just wave my

hands about and make faces, and if

on the friend called, hoping to catch

and found the mistress in tears.

"That dreadful Bolshevik" she walled.

She came up to ask what she was

o do next, and I made scrubbing mo-

tions, meaning the kitchen floor, of

course, and she did it on my lovely

pollshed dining table instead, and it

is absolutely ruined! And now she's

glimpse of the Russian treasure,

An English lady was talking about

The woman who used to look upon a able to get in at all. wedding invitation as a social victory now has a daughter who includes such things in the list of monthly bills .-- he never recommends walking as an Dallas News.

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