SINGULAR WILLS.

HUNDRED odd funcies and conceits, illustrative of the truth of the foreign dictum, that "England is the home of eccentricity," are constantly appearing in English wills. That of a country surveyor, not long since proved, contained the following instruction—
"I also request that my executors have engra-

ved on a plate on a tombstone, 'To the memory of Thomas B—, gentleman, for several years an officer in the P—Volunteers, and steward to many gentlemen in the county. He was a

There is a will, duly attested and proved, scribbled on the back of a publican's card, in the following terms:—"Dear Polly, wan i have gon, hall i av belongs to you, my dear Polly."

Another, the testamentary disposition of a de-

voted stenographist, is written in short hand and contained in a lattle box. Whilst a third is contained in these three words, "All to wife."

Here is the will of Monica Swiney, widow, who

was of so Ovidian a turn of mind that even her will ran into rhyme-

For this I never will repent,
'Tis my last will and testament,
If much or little, nay, my all,
I give my brother, Matthew Gail.
And this will hinder any pother
By sister Stritch or Mic our brother.
Yet stop. Should Matt die before Mic,
And that may happen, for death's quick,
I then bequeath my worldly store
To brother Mic for evermore.
And should I outlive my Brothers,
It's fit that then I think of others.
Matthew has sons and daughters two,
'Tis all their own, were it fern.
Pray, Mr. Forest, don't sit still.
But witness this as my last will.
(Signed) MONICA SWINEY.

John Hedges, whose will was proved July 13, 1847, also indulged in a poetical vein as follows:

This 5th day of May,
Being air, and gay,
To Lipn not inclined,
But of vigorous mind,
And my body in health,
I'll dispose of my wealth,
And of all I'm to leave,
On this side of the grave,
To some one or other,
I think to my brother.
But because I foresaw
That my brethren-in-law,
I'l dispose of my wealth,
I'l dispose of my sintended,
Till their manners are mended,
(And of that God knows there's no sign),
I do therefore enjoin,
And do strictly command,
Witness my hand,
That nought I have got
Bub brought into hotchpot;
But I give and devise,
As much as in me lies.
To the son of my mother,
My own dear brother,
To have and to hold,
As the affectionate pledges
Of his brother, John Hedges.
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These extraordinary direction's occur in the will of a surgeon, R.N., proved in 18—.
"Dear Molly,—When I die you must keep my

body eight or nine days, until it begins to get putrid. A plain cossin, without any ornaments

or name upon it.

"Get some hay, put it into the cossin, one of my sheets over it—my night-cap put on my head.
Enclose my body in one of my sheets, and then you must send my coffin and one of your carts at ten o'clock to right. Send four men to put the cossin upon the bier, and to be buried the day following, when it suits the clergyman,—no bell tolling,—no mourning whatever,—make merry,—do not be sad. I insist on your complying. "Yours affectionately,"
R. W."

The head of a turtle, for some time after its separation from the body, retains and exhibits animal life and sensations. An Irishman decapitated one, and afterwards was amusing himself by putting sticks in its mouth, which it bit with vio lence. A lady who saw the proceeding exclaimed, "Why, Patrick, I thought the turtle was dead?" So heis ma'am, but the crather is not sensible of it."

PASTIMES.

PUZZLES.

- 1. I have one dollar to divide amongst a imber of lads. Some receive 31d. each, the number of lads. Some receive 31d. each, the balance 71d. I manage to divide the dollar exactly between them. How many lads were there, and what number received 31d., and what number 71/1?
 2. A farmer has \$100 which he wishes to lay
- out in turkeys at 50c. cach; sheep at \$3 cach, and cows at \$10 cach, and to buy such a number of each kind as to get in all just one hundred for his hundred dollars. How many of each must he buy?

3. Put four fives in such a manner that they shall make 61.

CONUNDRUMS.

- Apollo pushed Pan into the Egean sea, When he came out what was he?
- 2. Why is a drunken man like a medium? 3. If the roofless walls of a building could

speak, what historical characters would they be likely to name?

TRANSPOSITIONS.

- 1. OSSSPES. To hold. 2. UAATYRRRDDSEEA. A welcome guest.
- AAHWOS. A town in Canada.
 TLLAAFERW. May be either natural or artificial.

CHARADES.

Twas night, and o'er the tented field
A solemn silence fell,
Savo when the weary sentine!
Froclaimed that all was well.
The mighty first had long besieged
A city that had stood
Fierce war's assaults—'tis vanquished now,
For lack of proper food.

'Tis early morn, and through the camp
The trumpet loudly calls;
When, lo! a flag of truce is raised
Upon the city's walls.
The chief comes forth—marks of my next
Are on his noble brow;
His face is scamed with many scars,
His hair is white as snow.

He rides within the victors' lines—
But bent with care and sorrow—
And stipulates that he'il resign
The vanquished place to-morrow.
The conqueror then claims my whole;
The chieftain gives his son
To be the pledge the foe requires,
Until the deed is done.

RIDDLE.

I much am prized by all mankind,
With most a ready welcome flud,
Yet, strange to say—oft, when they meet me,
My so-called friends quito coolly cut me;
And though they must at times admire,
The regues would throw me in the fire
Without compunction, much I fear,
Should I within their home: appear.
Solo.

ANSWERS TO RIDDLES, &c. No. 4.

PUZZLES.

- 1. Colenso. 2. Mrs. Smith, 14 eggs; Betsy Jones, 10. CONUNDRUMS.
- No. 1. Because it is the grub which makes the butter fly.
 - 2. Riddle.
 - 3. Because it supports everything by its beams,
 - 4. Because it possesses only one organ.

RIDDLES.

- 1. Because he is generally lead.
- 2. A M.P.
- 3. Because it is always lightening.
- 4. Because you play at chess with two bishops. and at cards with four knaves.
 - 5. Because he is a simple ton (simpleton).
 - 6. Time.

RHTME WANTED.

Ear.

ANAGRAMS.

1. Saturday Reader. 2. Toronto. 3. Trade Review. 4. O stop cat. 5. I stir men. 6. Lo men dig. 7. The law. 8. Best in prayer. 9. Partial men. 11. Keep a crow. 12. Can I lead on.

PROBLEMS.

1. In one day A does to and Bris of the work; therefore both together, in one day, would do 1330 of it.
Hence, as 1230: 1:: 1.513 days, the time re-

2. There a=104, the 32nd power of which is 3,508,059. Dividing 1 by this, we get 0.285.058; the difference between which and 1, is 0.714.249; and by dividing this 0.04, we obtain 17,87355, which is the present value of £1 of the annuity. Multiplying it by 75, we get £1340 10s. 4d., the required price.

3. Time 60 fr seconds. Distance the hare ran, 490 yards.

ANSWERS RECEIVED.

Puzzles .- 1st, H. H. V.; 2nd, Chas. H. H.; W. G.

Conundrums .- All, H. H. V.; W. G.; 1st and 2nd, Jane P.

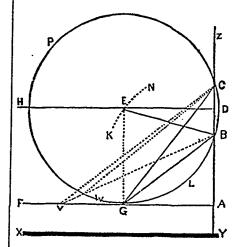
Riddles.--1st and 4th, W. G.; 6th, H. H. V.; A. N.; W. P.

Anagrams.—1st, 2nd, 3rd, Alice B.; E. P.; D. H.; 2nd, 7th, 9th, W. G.; H. H. V.; 3rd, Martinus Scriblerus.

Rhyme Wanted .- W. O.; H. T.; Alfred C. Charades .- 1st, Martinus Scriblerus; W. O.: 2nd, Alice B.

Decapitations.—All, W. G.; E. P.; Alice B. Problems.—1st, J. P.; Henry C.; 2nd, Student; A. H. R.; (J. P., you have mistaken the question;) 3, Henry C.; Student,

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 1. No 3. Solved and demonstrated by F. II. Andrews.



Let X Y represent the ground line. At the point Y raise the indefinite perpendicular Y Z. Mark off Y A=5 feet; also Y B=95, and B O=12 feet. Next, through the point A draw AF indefinitely, and parallel to Y X. Bisect B O in D, and through D draw D H indefinitely, and parallel to Y X or A F.

At the point B, with the distance D A, describe the arc KN, cutting DH in I. Drop the perpendicular I G, and A G is the required distance. Join CG and BG, and the angle CGB is the maximum angle. For, if not, suppose a larger angle to be found at any other point, as V. Then at I, as a centre with the distance I B or I G, describe the circle G L B C P. Nextjoin C V and B V, and from the point W, where B V cuts the circle, draw the line C W.

Now the angle C W B is equal to angle C G B, being in the same segment of the circle, but it is

being in the same segment of the circle, but it is W. The angle C G B may in same way be proved to be the greatest possible, if the required point be supposed to be between the points G

and A.

For arithmetical calculation of distance G A (or I D). Subtract square of (D B) half the statue, from the square of I B or (A B + BD) and extract the root of the remainder for the answer. CHARADES.

1. Hum-bug. 2. Pur-chase.

DECAPITATIONS.

1. Prussia. 2. Spain. 3. Flute. 4. Fowl. 5. Flint.

CHARADES.

From the above diagram, the measure of the maximum angle (C G B) may be readily found, being demonstrably equal to the angle D I B.

Problem 3, No. 3, J. P. Solution received too late to be inserted in last number.