

PASTIMES.

ARITHMOREMS.

BIRDS.

1. 200 and *O. took A.*
2. 55 " *U. true.*
3. 501 " *great P. R.*
4. 1,001 " *page.*
5. 2,572 " *B. rung H.*
6. 151 " *a pen.*

FISHES.

1. 651 and *harp.*
2. 1,150 " *rake E.*
3. 105 " *no hay.*
4. 1,100 " *oak H.*
5. 550 " *o'er fun.*
6. 551 " *hop N.*
7. 500 " *horn joy.*

SQUARE WORDS.

1. A title; a large portion of the earth; a disturbance; better than never.
2. A liquor; summer luxuries; a river; a scriptural name.

ENIGMA.

I from my parents differ more
Than ever offspring did before.
My father, like vau Phaeton,
May well be deemed Apollo's son;
My mother, of much humbler birth,
Is but a daughter of the earth:
Unequal thus my birth you trace,
Yet I proceed from warm embrace.
Of my fierce sire and yielding mother
Prove the destruction of each other:
Enough of them—my duty's paid—
So let them rest, in ashes laid.
In days of yore an easy life
I led, and moved unmixed with strife;
Now every battle gives me birth.
Where thousands strew the blood-stain'd earth.
There's not a man on me depends,
But he'll be sure to lose his ends;
Full many projects in me centre,
And I'm the sum of many a venture.
Come, if you have me, hold me fast:
I shall escape your hands at last.

CHARADES.

As Paul Pillicoddy was walking one day,
By the side of a fast-flowing stream,
An ill-natured *first* came rushing along,
Causing poor Pillicoddy to scream;
And, oh! sad to relate, it seized on poor Paul
By the nethermost part of his dress,
And there made a *second*—a large one we fear—
Much to Paul Pillicoddy's distress.
But Paul, as he struggled the *first* to escape,
Never heeded the river beside;
Till at last he fell into the water so deep,
And the *whole* bore him on with its tide.

W. S. L.

2. I am composed of 14 letters:
My 10, 2, 9, 5, 8 my whole once was.
My 4, 3, 7, 1, 3, 5 is what I trust my whole
never will be.
My 13, 12, 10, 11 is part of the body.
My 14, 5, 6, 13, 8, 12, 4 is to be met with in
"The Merry Wives of Windsor."
My 6, 4, 9, 12 is a North American Lake.
My *whole* is a name of a popular author.

RAGDE.

3. On prancing steed my *first* did ride,
A monk did wear my *second*;
My *whole* a monarch did bestow,
An honour great 'twas reckoned.

ARITHMETICAL QUESTION.

Three lamps are filled with 4 gallons of oil each.
The first burns six times as fast as the third, and the
third twice as fast as the second. The first burns 1
gallon per hour. How much does each of the others
burn per hour, and how many times will each require
to be filled in 48 hours? E. DUCKETT.

ANSWERS TO ENIGMA, &c., No. 58

- Enigma.*—*Agenoria*—*Industry*.—1. Alberoni.
2. Guatimozin. 3. Elberfeld. 4. Nassau. 5.
Orpheus. 6. Rembrandt. 7. Issachar. 8.
Alderney.
Decapitations.—1. Grumble—rumble—umble.
2. Gripe—ripe—pie—pi.
Astronomical Enigma. *Persens.*—1. Pisces. 2.
Earth. 3. Robur Caroli. 4. Scorpion. 5.
Ecliptic. 6. Uranus. 7. Sirius.
Charades.—1. Cathedral. 2. Bur-gain. 3.
Cork-screw.

Square Words. E T O N.
T O N E.
O N C E.
N E E D.

Rebus.—Starch.—arch—star—rats.

Arithmetical Question.—The father's age was
52 years.

MISCELLANEA.

The engines of the large ocean steamers make
about 200,000 turns in crossing the Atlantic
between Liverpool and New York.

Last year about 2,300,900 tons of coal came
to London by railway.

Such is the price of land in Paris at the present
time that some speculators are about to
build houses eleven stories high. They seem to
have found out that air is very much cheaper
than land. An hydraulic apparatus will be
attached to the premises.

It is stated that soap manufactured from coal
oil is a better remover of dirt than that ordinarily
used.

Though common salt, when mixed with animal
substances in large proportions, arrests decom-
position, when used in small quantities it con-
siderably accelerates putrefaction.

SMALL SINS.—Take care of the small! A
little faithfulness gives the habit of faithfulness,
and fits for larger duties. Small infidelities are
infidelities, and will produce the greater. The
little thief goes in at the narrow window, and
lets in all the big ones.

THE ROSIERE.—One of the Whit-Sunday amuse-
ments of the Parisians is the crowning of the
Rosière, which takes place at Nanterre, a dreary
little village between Paris and St. Germain.
The Rosière is a young girl of the village whose
maiden reputation has sustained no blemish.
She is formally crowned with lilies and white
roses, and presented with a marriage portion by
the authorities. For some years past the supply
of rosières has not been equal to the demand,
but one has been secured this year, and the
Parisians flock to Nanterre to gaze on a *rara
avis*, which, considering the manners and cus-
toms of Paris and its environs, "belongs (like
many other things) to another epoch."

A FRANK DOCTOR.—The celebrated German
physician Hufeland, on being presented to a
reigning prince of one of the small states of the
German Confederation, that exalted person-
age, in the fervour of his admiration of Hufe-
land's great professional skill, said to him, "You
are so famed a physician, you know the human
body so intimately, that you must really be
able to cure every disease!"—"Your highness,"
replied Hufeland, "it is with us physicians as
with the night watchmen: we know the leading
streets and byways tolerably well; but as to
what is going on inside the houses, we can only
guess at that."

It is related of the great artist Poussin, that
being shown a picture by a person of rank, he
remarked, "You only want a little poverty, sir,
to make you a good painter."

WITTY AND WHIMSICAL.

Lawyers, doctors, and women are all fee-
males.

Profound silence in public assemblies has
been thus neatly described:—One might have
heard the stealing of a handkerchief."

TOILERS OF THE SUE.—Underpaid curates.

Why is a selfish friend like the letter P?—
Because, though he is the first in pity, he is the
last in help.

On a child being told that he must be broken
of a bad habit, he honestly asked, "Papa,
hadn't I better be mended?"

Voltaire said of Mademoiselle de Livry: "She
was so beautiful that I raised my long thin
body, and stood before her like a point of ad-
miration."

A gentleman asked a negro boy if he wouldn't
take a pinch of snuff.—"No," replied the little
darkey, very respectfully, "me tank you, Pomp's
nose not hungry."

A person asked Mr. Patrick Maguire if he
knew Mr. Tim Duffy. "Know him!" said Pat;
"why he's a very near relation of mine. He
once proposed to marry my sister!"

"Who is that with Miss Flint?" said a wag to
his companion.—"Oh, that is a spark which she
has struck."

We rather think that the most reluctant slave
to *vice* that we ever saw was a poor fellow who
had his fingers in one.

An Irishman once ordered a painter to draw
his picture, and to represent him *standing behind
a tree*.

A MOURNFUL FACT.—It is difficult to make
the pot boil with the fire of genius.

Why are good husbands like dough?—Because
women *need* them.

How can one be sure of cowslips in the win-
ter?—By driving his cattle on the ice.

"**A LEGAL TENDER.**"—A decided contradiction
in terms; for we must say, within our expe-
rience, we never yet knew anything "legal" that
was ever "tender."

A clergyman once prefaced his service with,
"My friends, let us say a few words before we
begin." This is about equal to the gentleman
who took a short nap before he went to sleep.

What is that word in the English language, of
one syllable, which, if two letters be taken from
it, it becomes a word of two syllables?—*Pl-ague*.

AN INJURED RAT.—Prentice says of a rebel
editor who "smelt a rat," that if he did, and the
rat smelt him, the poor rat had the worst of it.

PROOF POSITIVE.—"Don't tell me you can't
civilise the Africans," said a man who had just
returned from the Gold Coast. "Why, I have
known some negroes who thought as little of a
lie or an oath as a European."

A LAWYER IN PETTICOATS.—"Please, Mrs.
Crabbe, to lend me your tub."—"Can't do it;
the hoops are off; its full of suds; besides, I
never had one; I washes in a barrel, and wants
to use the tub myself; besides, I've lent it to a
neighbour who hasn't returned it."

NOT SO DAFT LIKE.—A poor lunatic not long
ago was sent to a place of confinement, and in
order to occupy his mind as well as exercise his
body, he was instructed to take a wheelbarrow
and convey a large heap of sand from one corner
of the enclosure to another. This done, he went
to his keeper and inquired what else he had for
him to do. The keeper ordered him to go and
wheel it back again. The lunatic very innocently
looked in his face and said, "Man, do you think
I'm daft?"

A man advertised lately to forward, on receipt
of postage stamps, "sound practical advice, that
would be applicable at any time, and to all per-
sons and conditions of life." On receipt for the
stamps, he sent his victim the following: "Never
give a boy a penny to watch your shadow
while you climb a tree to look into the middle of
next week."

At a large fire in Boston the firemen succeeded
in reaching a trunk belonging to a domestic,
named Kitty Quadd. "It's not the value of me
clothing" sir," said Kitty, very much delighted
that her trunk had been found, "but it's me char-
acter that's there." Hurrying her hand into the
pocket of an old dress, she lifted it from the trunk,
and drew forth a dirty piece of paper, with much
apparent satisfaction. "This is it, an' shure
enough it's safe, it is, and it's yerself that shall
read it, too, for your kindness," said Kitty. The
paper was unfolded, and on it was written:—
"This certifies that Kitty Quadd is a good domes-
tic, capable of doing all kinds of work, but she
will get drunk when opportunity offers."

The late Mr. Dean Richmond was president of
the New York Central Railroad, and Chairman
of the New York Democratic State Committee.
His handwriting, except that of his signature,
was scarcely ever legible. He once abruptly
dismissed a Railway official who had offended
him, by writing on a card, "Your services can be
dispensed with on receipt of this.—Dean Rich-
mond." The dismissed official used the card as
a family free pass over the railway for twelve
months afterwards, the ticket collectors being
satisfied with the sight of the well-known sig-
nature, without attempting to read the docu-
ment.