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You remember, do you not, the last time Princess Mary, Princess Ruth and Prince George were home? It was in October, after the school term had opened, and they celebrated their mother, the Queen's, birth-"Why, it's damp, your Majesty!" he ried. "No wonder it won't burn!" "Of course it's damp!" struck in the "That's from the Queen excitedly. "Yes, from the hose." said the Queen.

Time went by, and at last Guy Fawkes' day—the 5th of November— drew near. Although it is an English day, the King of Kandahoo knew all about it, because he had visited England and seen how the people celebrated it with bonfires and fireworks. And the children knew all about it, be-cause the King had told them all about So now he was not surprised to receive a line from Prince George, saying: "Please, may we come home for Guy Fawkes' day, and please get some ripping firewerks."

The King frowned over the misspelled

One hid in the

Only four were

word, but he reflected that excitement is enough to make any one misspell, so he turned over two big bright guineas to the Queen, and said: "Those are for the fireworks, my dear."

So off went the Queen, highly delighted to buy fireworks, and the first thing they saw in a shop was a big, ugly effigy of Guy Fawkes, all ready to be

"I declare, I'll get it," said the Queen, "how pleased the children will be." THE QUEEN'S SECRET

But when she asked the price, it was too high. "I believe I could make a beautiful one myself," thought she, "and that will leave me all of this money for fireworks."

So she laid all the money out in every kind of lovely fireworks-rockets, squibs, firecrackers, Catharine wheels, roman candles, and every other kind you have ever heard of.

All through the following week she spent her evenings locked up in the attic doing something mysterious, which she kept secret from everybody, even the King. Could you have peeked in on her

those days you would have spied her sneaking in from the stables with sneaking in from the stables with armfuls of straw, which you would then have seen her stuff into a suit of antique clothes which she found in an old chest. First there was a white silk waistcoat, then knickerbockers and white silk coat, and finally a red velvet cloak trimmed with white fur.

The head puzzled her a little, but she made it at last out of a brush and comb bag, and marked the eyes and nose and mouth with burnt cork.

When it was all finished, she dragged it into an empty coach house. "There," she panted, "I shall come down last thing and tie it up to the old flagpost around the corner."

Of course, you all know what fireworks are like. Well, the childrenhad a fine time with theirs, and they got very black hands and faces in consequence.

Prince George mischievously dropped affereracker at his father's royal heels, and laughed and laughed to see the King jump.

How the children laughed at mother, who was so sure she'd catch fire somehow that she'd come out in a long shiny waterproof, and drawn its hood tightly over her head.

At last, when they'd all shouted themselves hoarse over a colored light that turned everybody and everything a beautiful crimson, the King said: "By the way, how about that surprise of yours?" armfuls of straw, which you would

MORE THAN ONE SURPRISE

"Yes, yes, the surprise!" chorused the children.

"This way, all of you!" cried the Queen, who'd been waiting excitedly for this particular minute; and she led the way behind the coach houre, where, tied to a broken flagstaff, with its arm sticking stiffly out on each side of it was—
"A guy!" shrieked the children.
"Hooray! Hooray! Hooray!"

"I made it every bit myself," said the Queen proudly. "Will you have the goodness to light it, my Lord Chamberlain?"
"Not so fast, my love—" began the Not so fast, my love-" began the King.
But the Chamberlain obediently took a box of matchese and walked up to the Sp-r-r-t! Sp-r-r-t! Ss-ss! Everybody waited in tremendous excitement, and saw the match go out directly it touched the guy's foot, which was a white stocking of the King's. The Chamberlin lighted another, and another, but

exactly the same thing happened. Then he touched the guy cautiously.



"THERE," SHE PANTED, AS SHE PROPPED IT AGAINST THE WALL

"I didn't want you to say I'd risked setting the house on fire, darling!" "But, bless me, you don't mean to say you've watered the thing?" shouted the King.

"You said only this morning that prevention was better than cure, so I thought the safest thing to do was just to water it first." "But, my dear Florence, it won't burn now!" cried the King; while the children stood round, not knowing whether to laugh or cry, and the members of the Court knew they wanted to laugh but

daren't.
The Queen looked very puzzled.
"Well, but, dearest, what would you have said if it had set the place on fire?" she said.

HOW IT ENDED

"But there wasn't any reason why it —" began the King. "Eh, what's that my lord?" as the Chamberlain whispered something in his ear. "Oh, non-

"But it is, your Majesty!" persisted the Chamberlain.

The King walked up to the guy and stared at it, and then he gave a start.
"Coronation robes!" he gasped. Everybody was gathering round the guy, and he and the Queen had fallen back a little. "Why, Florence, those robes—the cloak, at least—have belonged to the Kings of Kandahoo for a hundred years!" years!".
"Then it's quite time they were burned "Then it's quite time they were burned up!" said the Queen. "And it's my belief they'll burn fast enough, if we go the right way to work. I'll just—"
"No, no!" gasped the King, turning pale at the mere thought. "I—I—I—well—upon my word, Florence," he burst out at last, "it's a good thing you did water them! May be some chance of making them look presentable again!" he muttered to himself.
"Now, that's just what I thought you'd say!" said the Queen delightedly "You always see things in their right light at last, darling. Shall we—"
But the King wasn't listening, He'd got on to the top of an overturned tub near the guy, and directly the people saw him they shouted: "Speech!"
And he told them that, thanks to her

saw him they shouted: "Speech! Speech!"
And he told them that, thanks to her Majesty's forethought, it was quite impossible to burn the guy over which she'd taken so much trouble, and that, of course, they were very glad, as none of them would have liked to do so. ("Hear, hear!" shouted everybody except the children.) But that, instead, they would all join hands round it and sing the Kandahoo National Anthem. Which they did. And next day the King had the guy taken to pieces, and sent the crushed and damaged robes to the Court tailor, and he sent them to some dyers and cleaners, and a week later I don't believe you'd ever have known they'd been out of their drawer. So that everybody was satisfied, except the children, but as their father has faithfully promised them a guy for next year that will burn till there isn't a bit of him left, they just have to content themselves with looking forward to that!—Evelyn Glozia.

#### The Busy Bee and Other Games

pleasure this morning with it.

HE Busy Bee is a new and amusing game for parties. You must prepare for forehand, as follows: Take nice respondence cards, enough to go around the entire number of players, and write ten descriptions, each followed by a blank space for the answer, as shown below, and numbered

from 1 to 10: 1. This busy bee s arts..... 2. This busy bee must take care...
3. This busy bee is destitute....
4. This busy bee is charming...
5. This busy bee is perplexed...
7. This busy bee is a broom...
8. This busy bee is a broom...
9. This busy bee is a home for insects
9. This busy bee speaks falsely...
10. This busy bee is a kind of nut tree

the blank spaces with words beginning with "BE," and answering to the descriptions given. You should have the list of correct answers handy to read aloud when,

at the end of the time limit—say, thirty minutes—the players are told to exchange cards and correct each other's answers. Tell them to give one mark for each correct reply as you read the answers aloud.

The answers are as follows:

6. Be-wails.
7. Be-som.
8. Be-ehive.
9. Be-lies.
10. Be-ech.

You can see, of course, that it is possible for you to add many other "BE" words to this list, f you desire more than the ten here given. Simply consult the dictionary for the additional words.

Only words identical with those on your list of answers should be marked correct. Any other words, even though they chance to fit the description and to begin with the required letters, must be marked wrong. It is necessary to have a fixed rule to follow.

The player with the most correct words receives the prize.

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It is surprising how much fun can be caused by the guessing. People get excited when they have found a word for which they have been racking their brains.

Then imagine their perplexity if, perchance, they think of two words both answering the description. The question will then be, of course, which word must I choose?" (Since only one word for each description is allowed.)

For Students of French HERD is a neat trick game which it is only possible for students of French to carry on. On that very account it will puzzle your audience

account it will puzzle your audience greatly.

It is called the clairyoyant.

The clairvoyant goes out of the room, promising to name through the closed door the person whom his pariner inside points at.

Suppose this person's name is Victor. The partner may call "Cows are usually gentle," loudly enough for the clairvoyant to hear plainly. The latter immediately translates the first word "cows" into French—"yache." The first letter of this word is V. Guided by this clue, he easily names Victor as the person who is being pointed at.

Instead of pointing out people, the partner may ask the company to decide among themselves on various letters of the alphabet, one at a time, and these the clairvoyant will guess through the closed door by the same means as aiready described.

#### Game of Traveler HIS game calls for a little knowl-

edge of geography and of customs In foreign lands.

One of the company announces that he intends starting on a journey, and has a certain destination in mind.

The other players, in order to guess his destination, must ask him questions regarding the ways and means of locomotion that he must employ from start to destination. For example: "How will you start?" Answer, "By train." "In which direction?" Answer, "East." "Will you have to leave the train and continue your journey in some other way." Answer, "Yes." "What other way." Answer, "By ship." in foreign lands.

"Yes." "What other way" Answer, "By ship."

In this way the questioners can guess the various stages of the journey, until some answer gives them a clear clue. For instance, suppose they trace the course of the journey to some ocean. If at the next question they receive the answer, "By jinrickisha," they will immediately know Japan to be the country now reached, and will probably guess aright the destination the traveler had in mind. Any one guessing wrong must pay a forfeit.

# A Dancing Egg

This is a cunning exercise in finger play for the tiny little folks. You can give them a little time of

With the child on your lap, first give it a nice look at these pictures, and let it have a good time talking about the rabbits. Then take one of its hands and begin the finger exercise, reciting each verse as you reach

If you are good at making up verses yourself, you might make up some verses to recite, going backward from one finger to all five fingers, telling about the reunion of the family and what happened to each rabbit when he got back.

Then there

ET a hard-boiled egg and place it on the reverse side of a smooth, polished plate or bread platter.

If you now turn the plate around and around while holding it in a horizontal



KEEP IT UPRIGHT

position, the egg, which is in the middle of it, will turn around also; and, as the pace is quickened, the egg will move more and more quickly, until it stands up on one end and spins around

like a top. In order to be quite sure that the experiment will succeed, you should keep the egg upright while it is being boiled, so that the inside may be hardened into the proper position.

"Nothing Like Leather"

WHO founded the science of bot-any? Linnaeus, a shoemaker. Who disclosed the beauties and marvels of antique sculpture? Winckleman, a shoemaker. Who was the mainstay of the Society of Antiquaries? John Bond, a

shoemaker. Who write "The Farmer's Boy"? Bloomfield, a shoemaker. Who established the "Quarterly Review"? Gifford, a shoemaker.
Who founded the Society of Friends?

George Fox, a shoemaker. Who started the Ragged School movement? John Pounds, a shoe-Who gave the Bible to the Chinese

in their own mother tongue? Dr. Morrison, a shoemaker.

Besides, among the names which have become in greater or less degree

household property may be found household property may be found Hans Sachs, the poet of Nuremberg; Richard Savage, Sir Cloudesley Shovel, the redoubtable admiral; Sir William Reed, the Radical Hardy, the astrological Partridge, Sir Simon Ayre, Jacob Boehm, Samuel Drew, Hans Christian Andersen, Dr. Marshman, Dr. Kitto, Thomas Edward, the Bann naturalist; and last, but not least, William Carey, the virtual founder of the Baptist Missionary Society. All these were shoemakers before they turned their thoughts and energies into other channels.

#### How They Eat in Japan

Bunnies

Followed every track.

Only one came back.

and hid them

Till darkness came

If YOU could see the things that the people in some countries have for dinner and the way they eat them, you would laugh, indeed, and then if you should visit those countries and do as the other boys and girls do, you would laugh still more. I believe you would like Japan best. True, you would not have any chair to sit on, nor any knife, fork or spoon, but then you would have two dainty little sticks, which the Japan-

which they use very cleverly. Then, besides, there is always such a lot of candles and other sweets, and what you could not eat you would be not only allowed but expected to take home with you. Think of that! Often, at great feasts, the guests bring their servants, who carry bas-kets, and whatever is left from din-

kets, and whatever is left from dinner is packed in these baskets and taken home.

In China you would have the same "chop-sticks," but very different dishes. One especially, I believe, you would not like at all. That is live crabs, and very tiny ones, too.

Just as dinner is ready the crabs are put in a dish of vinegar. This makes them quite lively. Next they are removed to a covered dish and placed upon the table. Then, when every one is ready, the cover is taken off. Those crablets don't hesitate a second, but scramble out and run for their lives.

But the guests are in a big hurry, too. They seize them with both hands, and filling their mouths as full as they can, they swallow the wriggling things as though they were the daintiest bits imaginable. I do not know whether they are better or worse than roasted spiders. These you would get in New Caledonia—and some people who have eaten them say they taste like nuts and are very nice.

say they taste like nuts and are very nice.

In India they would serve you roasted worms instead of fruit at dessert, and in Burmah locusts stuffed and fried. In Siam you would be treated to ants eggs, and some of our own Indians think they can offer a guest no greater delicacy than roasted grasshoppers. So you see there are many kinds of tastes.

Table manners also vary greatly. In Turkey you must sit cross-legged on a cushion and eat with your fingers from the same dish that every one else uses.

## Telling the Time

HE earliest timepiece of which a record is preserved is the water clock of Hwang-ti, a Chinese mechanical genius who lived three centuries before Christ.

turies before Christ.

A simple device for measuring time is in use among the Malays. In a vessel of water a cocoanut shell is set afloat. It has a small perforation at a point near the water line, through which perforation the water slowly enters until it sinks the shell.

As the shell goes to the bottom, a native calls out the hour, rescues the primitive timeplece, and resets it. As each operation represents a fairly regular period, a rough time measurement is made.

A step in advance of this is the clock in use among the natives of Southern India. Here a copper bowl takes the place of the cocoanut shell. When the bowl fills and sinks, the attendant strikes vigorously on its metal surface, and thus tells the time by the striking of the clock.

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little Bunny

Feeling

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prince and having a whole is-land—a real island, with trees and brooks and a sandy beach and a iouse on it—presented to you?

That is what has happened to you remember, were last summer crown-

FOR BABY FINGER PLAY

Prince Olaf, whose father and mother, children call "chop-sticks," and . The Queen is the youngest daughter



RINCE OLAF OF NORWAY, WHO HAS HAD AN ISLAND GIVEN HIM AS A PRESENT

of King Edward and Queen Alexandra of England, and the King, before his accession to the throne of Norway, was popular Prince Charles of Denmark. It was about three years ago, while he and his wife were still only Prince and Princess, that they came to King Edward's country home, and there their

Norway, you must remember, was, until this year, ruled over by the King of Sweden, but at last the people said they would like a King of their cwn, so they separated from Sweden and asked Prince Charles if he would come and be their King.

Prince Charles accepted their invitation, and before very long he and his wife and little Olaf sailed from their Danish home to Norway, and when they stepped ashore little Olaf seized the flag of Norway and waved it.

This made the people fall in love with their new little Prince, and they could not do enough for him. The school children of Christiania (do you know where that is, and what important position it occupies in Norway?) gave him a beautiful bearskin rug and some lovely furniture for his room in the palace.

Olaf is only a trifle over 3 years old, and is said to be as happy and healthy and lovable as he looks in his picture.

Do you suppose he will play Robinson Crusoe and treasure seeker and pirats on his island?

## Tongue Twisters

IN Frederick Saunder's "Salad for the Solitary and the Social." he says: "The naturalist, Lovell, published a book at Oxford in 1161, enpublished a book at Oxford in 1161, entitled 'Panzoologicomineralogis, which is nearly as long a word as Rabelais proposed title for a book, namely, Antipericata metaparhengedamphieri-brationes!" And in a footnote he gives two others from a pamphier in his possession, published years ago in London. The title reads, "Chronon-hotonthologos, the Most Tragical Tragedy That Ever Was Tragicaled by Any Company of Tragedians." The first two lines of this effusion read: "Aldeborontiphoscophosno! Where left you Chrononhotonthologos?"

It is stated that there is an English dictionary containing the only word of eleven syllables, "Honorificabilitudinity." "Disproportionableness" is given as the longest reasonable word in the English language.

## Some Puzzles to Solve

THE three-circle puzzle mentioned by ow is this:
Can you divide it into four pieces of similar shape and size, each containing three circles? See if you can do it. Conundrums.

1. Why is it certain that "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was not written by the hand of its reputed author?
2. Why is a fishmonger never generous?

arous?

3. What is that which works when it plays and plays when it works?

4. What is that from which you may take away the whole and yet there will be some remaining?

5. Why are fowls the most profitable things a farmer can keep?

6. What English coin doubles its value when you take away half?

7. Why is it dengerous to walk in 7. Why is it dangerous to walk in the meadows in spring? 8. Why is a vine like a soldier?

9. If a man who is carrying a dozen glass lamps drops one, what does he immediately become?

10. What belongs to yourself, but is used more by your friends than by yourself? Beheading and Curtailing. Behead a grain and leave warmth. Behead to consume and leave a preposition.

(Begin with a five-letter word.)

2. Curtail a flower and leave a Spanish slave.

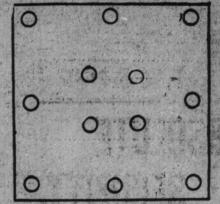
Behead a Spanish rlave and leave a very great period of time.

Behead a very great length of time and leave a preposition.

(Begin with a five-letter word.)

Transpositions. 1. Transpose the letters of a word meaning not high, and make a night bird.
2. Transpose a numeral and make something used to catch fish.

Hidden Words. first was a very cruel Roman mperor.
My second is one of Longfellow's eroines. My third is the king of beasts.
My fourth is a bird of flight.
My fifth is a favorite fruit.
My sixth is a very secluded religious

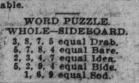


the initial letters downward and you will discover the name of a famous English naval hero.

THREE-CIRCLE PUZZLE

January 27 Answers The lawyer's scheme was as follows: He fetched his own horse from his stable and placed it in the Smith sta-

half this number—9—to Brown, a third of the number—6—to Jones, and a ninth of the number—2—to Green, in exact accordance ith the terms of the will, and still had left his own horse, which he then returned to his own stable.



Baby Dolly

ABY DOLLY, aged 5, was out with BABY DOLLY, aged 5, was out with her father one day, when he took her into a shop and bought her some chocolates. On the way home she felt rather tired. Suddenly a bright idea came to her. She looked up at her father, and said:
"Daddy, I'll carry the chocolates if you'll carry me."