



FOR YOUNG FOLKS THE FEAST OF DOLLS.

A Great Event Every Year For Little Girls In Japan.

Every little boy or girl ought to live in Japan, for the children in that country certainly do have the best kind of times.

When the dolls have been arranged the children, squatting gracefully on the floor, draw lots for the honor of serving the emperor and empress dolls with sake and sweet rice cakes made in the form of dolls.

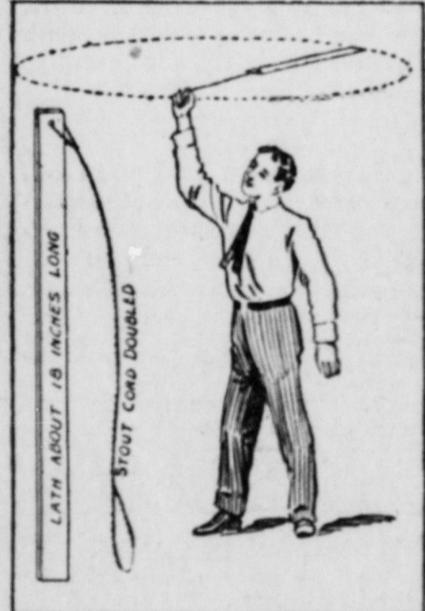
This knotty point being decided, they play a charming game of make believe, in which they entertain the Son of Heaven, as the real emperor is called, at a sake party.

At night the streets are decorated with lanterns in the form of dolls, and everybody presents everybody else with a doll.

The feast lasts three days and is the event of the year for the little girls in the Land of the Rising Sun.

A Noise Maker.

Most boys like noise and like to make it, too, and if you will promise to use it where it will not annoy your parents or the neighbors we will tell you how to make a toy that will make all the noise you want.



WORKING THE NOISE MAKER.

eighteen inches long and make a hole in it about one inch from the end large enough to allow a heavy piece of string to go through it.

They Saw the Point.

A primary teacher was conducting a class in fractions. One-third was being given special attention, and many imaginary articles had been divided.

"Suppose," said the teacher, "Cora should find a nest with six eggs in it and while taking them to the house should break two of them, what part of her eggs would she break?"

A little girl with bright eyes and brown curls wriggled her hand so vigorously that she was given permission to speak and confidently replied:

"She would break the shells."

A merry peal of laughter broke from the children, showing that they appreciated the point made.

False Kindness.

The softest little flirt of furr! The gentlest, most persuasive purr! Oh, everybody told me that She was the "loveliest little cat!"

Now, large and quick and strong of will, She'll spring upon that table still And, spite of all my watchful care, Will snatch the choicest dainties there.

Had I to her been truly kind, I should have made that kitten mind!

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Know What a Bay Was.

One day a little girl in the fifth grade came home from school and told her mother she knew all about peninsulas, harbors, islands, etc.

"Well," said mother, "tell me what a bay is." The child could not answer this, and her little brother said:

"Why, don't you know what a bay is? A bay is a red horse."

A Dish of Happiness.

Take one large spoonful of usefulness, one cup of love for mother, another cup of love for your little brothers and sisters, a pound of wishes to make others happy, a saltspoonful of wishing to be happy yourself, mix well together and see if it doesn't make the nicest kind of an afternoon.

LIGHT ON MOUND BUILDERS

New Evidence of Their Knowledge of Farming and Domestic Arts.

W. C. Mills, curator of the museum of the Ohio State Archeological and Historical society, has made a discovery in Ross county, a few miles south of Chillicothe, which, he believes, will have an important bearing upon the final estimate of the attainments of the mound builders.

Thus far forty-nine pits on the site have been excavated. In several of them, among heaps of parched corn and beans, evidence was found that the mound builders did not subsist entirely on fish and game, as has been thought hitherto by many archaeologists.

Not all the pits were used as storehouses or dwelling places. In one of them were found several skeletons. One narrow grave was occupied by two aged lovers clasped in each other's arms.

Another pit bears traces of a feast to which Mr. Mills believes 1,500 people sat down.

A hole in the center of the apartment four feet in diameter and ten feet deep tells the story of how the mound builders cooked their food.

The clay soil, from the bottom to the top of the excavation, was burned to a deep red, while 450 stones heaped up in the center of the hole show signs of having once been fired to a red heat.

PROGRESS IN CHINA.

Western Amusements in the Summer Palace at Peking.

Commenting on the recent dancing in the palace at Peking, the China Times says: "It was a matter of great surprise to many to learn that the grand old dowager had taken a real interest in western music and that princesses were lingering in a way calculated to upset the traditions of the Summer palace."

"China is in the kindergarten stage of western learning. She must be amused to be taught. Don't hurry her; don't cram her. Let her learn the alphabet of reform in a pleasant manner."

Instead of sending to China strong bands of foreign military, send strong military bands, with Dan Godfrey to lead them.

The high appreciation of Sir Robert's band by the imperial party opens up a very alarming prospect to officialdom.

For the empress to express such delight in western music is equivalent to ordering the officials in the capital to encourage such music. There can be no other prospect than every Peking official blowing his own trumpet with variations.

Card Party Innovations.

At a summer card party given recently in a cottage on Long Island by a Brooklyn woman some pretty innovations were introduced, says the New York Evening Journal. The tables were covered with crumpled paper napkins in different colors, pink, yellow, green, blue and violet being included in the list.

Many Tunnels of New Railway Line.

In constructing twenty-six miles of track on the Denver, Northwestern and Pacific railway, where it crosses the Rocky mountains, thirty-six tunnels will be bored.

Appropriate.

"He calls the baby Coffee." "What a name! What does he call it that for?" "Because it keeps him awake nights."



THE PUZZLER

No. 225.—Diagonal.

The diagonal from the upper left hand corner to the lower right hand corner spells certain fruits.

No. 226.—Charade.

No. 227.—Puzzles.

No. 228.—Hourglass.

No. 229.—Enigmatical Rivers.

No. 230.—Word Building.

No. 231.—Fairy Tales.

No. 232.—Geographical Puzzles.

No. 233.—Triangles.

No. 234.—False Comparatives.

No. 235.—Additions.

Time to Stop.

Hurray For Pa!

Key to the Puzzler.

No. 218.—A Bit From Boz: Oliver Twist.

No. 219.—A Labyrinth: Begin with H in the third line.

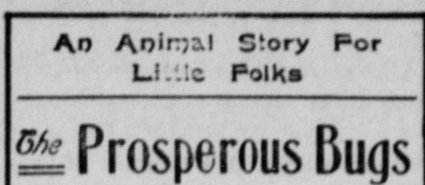
No. 220.—Word Squares:

No. 221.—Transposition: Raced, cedar, cared.

No. 222.—Diamond: 1. D. 2. Sp. 3. Spare. 4. Diamond. 5. Proud. 6. End. 7. D.

No. 223.—Arithmograph: Still waters run deep.

No. 224.—Seven Sents: C-love, C-lump, C-hilly, C-hew, C-ant, C-ave, C-ash.



An Animal Story For Little Folks The Prosperous Bugs

"Good morning, Higgy," said the haggiebug to the higgiebug as they met on the street the other day.

"Very fine, I thank you, Haggy," replied the higgiebug. "How are you?" "Oh, I am always well," answered the haggiebug.

"Ah!" exclaimed the higgiebug. "Lots of work? That's good. Let me congratulate you. I know just how it is, for, you see, my business is brisk, too, and I am afraid sometimes I will not



"I'M A DOCTOR," DECLARED THE HIGGIEBUG.

"A barber?" exclaimed the higgiebug. "And what do you do as a barber?" "Why, mercy, man, haven't you heard?" cried the haggiebug in surprise.

"No," said the higgiebug. "What is it?" "Well, the caterpillars have adopted the new style of having their heads bald, and my business is to shave the caterpillars.

"You must be making a great deal of money," said the higgiebug. "Yes, indeed," replied the haggiebug. "By the way, what business are you in?"

"I'm a doctor," declared the higgiebug. "A doctor?" exclaimed the higgiebug. "And what do you do as a doctor?" "My, my, my! Don't you know?" cried the higgiebug in surprise.

"No," said the higgiebug. "What is it?" "Well, the grasshoppers have adopted the new style of wearing long whiskers, and I furnish them with a face powder to bring out their beards.

"I suppose you will soon be rich," said the haggiebug. "I hope so," responded the higgiebug. "Well, goodbye, Higgy," said the haggiebug as he passed on down the street.

"Goodbye, Haggy," answered the higgiebug.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.



An Animal Story For Little Folks The Funny Duckling

There was once a funny little duckling who was always going about doing something curious that made everybody laugh at him.



HE CARRIED THAT UMBRELLA AROUND.

self an umbrella. He stuck it under his arm and walked down the road just as proud as ever he could be.

It made them all laugh louder than before, for none of them could see what a duckling would ever have for an umbrella. But the duckling did not know any better.

Well, finally one day it did rain. It rained in sheets, and the wind blew as it had never blown before.

Up went the umbrella, and up went Mr. Duckling with it, for a big gust of wind just lifted them both in the air and swept them over the heads of the spectators and into the top of a tree about a mile away.

It took the little duckling half a day to untangle himself from the limbs of the tree and get down to the ground.

FOR THE NURSERY.

Convenient Combination of High Chair, Low Chair and Table.

The combination chair and table shown in the accompanying illustration is a handy arrangement in a home where there is a child and is a source of amusement as well as a piece of furniture of considerable utility.



NURSERY CHAIR AND TABLE.

Illustration shows how the chair and its stand, which together measure a little more than three feet in height, can be taken apart to form a perfect little table and chair, just such a pair as would delight any child.

Marking Table Linen.

The marking of table linen is an operation that often bothers the average housekeeper. If she be well to do she can hire other women to embroider the initials or monogram in the solid white embroidery that is so handsome and so expensive or she may simply stamp her table napkins and towels with a stencil and India ink.

A Cure For Superfluous Hairs.

There is a very simple remedy for superfluous hairs which, if persisted in, cannot fail to bring the desired results. The simple remedy is hydrozone.

Some Good Advice.

Don't sleep with the hand under the cheek. It will numb and wrinkle the skin.

Don't let the jaw drop just at the moment of falling asleep. It tends to make lines on either side of the mouth.

Don't be afraid of friction for the face. Freshness is prolonged by the tepid bath in which bran has been stirred, followed by long friction. This keeps the blood at the surface.

Don't indulge in the essentially feminine habit of "knitting the brow." Take life less strenuously.

Don't always be thinking of something. Sometimes think of nothing.

Attention to Details of Dress.

It is attention to the small details of her costume that makes a woman well dressed. Her dress may be beautiful, but if her gloves are not appropriate the effect is ruined.

A capacity for hard work is usually a man's most valuable asset.

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