

**HAD TO GIVE UP.**

**Suffered Agonies from Kidney Disorders Until Cured by Doan's Kidney Pills.**

George W. Renoff, of 1953 North 11th St., Philadelphia, Pa., a man of good reputation and standing, writes: "Five years ago I was suffering so with my back and kidneys that I often had to lay off. The kidney secretions were unnatural, my legs and stomach were swollen, and I had no appetite. When doctors failed to help me I began using Doan's Kidney Pills and improved until my back was strong and my appetite returned. During the four years since I stopped using them I have enjoyed excellent health. The cure was permanent."

(Signed) George W. Renoff.  
A TRIAL FREE—Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents.

**Mars and Saturn to Visit.**  
An astronomical correspondent of the Manchester (England) Guardian points out that Mars and Saturn, the stars of war and of evil influences, will be near neighbors on Dec. 25, next.

**TEA**

Do you think you know all there is in those three letters, t-e-a?

**Graphite Mining.**  
The island of Ceylon is one of the largest graphite mining countries in the world. Large deposits of graphite are also being exploited in Siberia, chiefly in the neighborhood of Irkutsk, on Lake Balkal.

**TEA**

If you haven't found-out, Schilling's Best you are missing a good deal of comfort.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's Best.

**Cultivate the Memory.**  
Many people complain of having a poor memory, and yet that faculty can be developed as easily as can the biceps muscle. Nor is it necessary to go to any professor of memory or to master any elaborate system in order to accomplish this result. One does not have to go to a gymnasium to strengthen the arm or back. Chopping wood or rowing a boat will do it. Similarly, memory may be cultivated by an effort and mid ordinary pursuits.

**TEA**

Every nation has its notion of tea. Most families have one too.

**Dog Saved Life of Mistress.**  
Hubbard Goodwin of Torrington, Conn., has a dog which money will not buy. He went to Mrs. Goodwin's bedroom and barked and finally jumped on the bed. Mrs. Goodwin followed him to the kitchen, where she found the front door of the stove wide open and the floor ablaze directly in front of it.

**Piso's Cure** is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Exon, Vauburn, Ind., Feb. 10, 1908.

**Lime Good for the Piano.**  
To prevent a piano suffering from the effects of a damp room, put a small lump of unslacked lime in a bag, and place inside the case.

**Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.**  
For children's coughing, softens the gump, reduces inflammation, always cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

**World's Silver Supply.**  
Mexico and the United States together furnish about 72 per cent of the silver output of the world. British India, Straits Settlements and China take nearly two-thirds of the total in a good year.

**TEA**

The soul is let loose by tea; it wanders far and forgets its prison.

**Tobacco and Deafness.**  
Tobacco has been discovered to have a selective action upon the auditory nerve. Moderation in the use of the drug, and avoiding it altogether where deafness has already begun, or where there is a family history of such troubles, is advisable.

**TEA**

Is tea generally so bad? It is rather uncertain generally, there is no difficulty in getting it good.

In every package of Schilling's Best Tea is a booklet: **How To Make Good Tea.**  
**Worth Remembering.**  
It made the air shine after the sound had died away, and yet it was just the remark of a young man who walked past me one day arm-in-arm with a companion: "Depend upon it, Tom, St. Edmund of Canterbury was right when he said—to somebody, 'Work as though you would live forever; live as though you would die to-day.'"—Exchange.



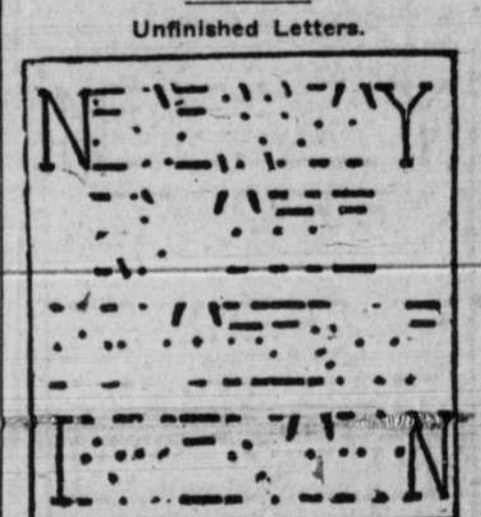
**Urchin and Mother.**  
Whilst walking down a crowded city street the other day I heard a little urchin to a comrade turn and say: "Say, Chimmy, lemme tell you 'I'd be happy as a clam. If I only wuz de feller dat me mudder 'tinks I am.'"

"She 'tinks I am a wonder an' she knows her little lad. Could never m'x wit' nuttin' dat wuz ugly, mean or bad. Oh, lots of times I sit an' 'tink how nice 't would be, gee whiz! If a feller wuz de feller-dat his mudder 'tinks he is."

My friend, be yours a life of toil or undiluted joy. You still can learn a lesson from this small, unlettered boy. Don't aim to be an earthy saint, with eyes fixed on a star. Just try to be the fellow that your mother thinks you are.  
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

**The American Eagle.**  
Our bald eagle, so called because the feathers on the top of his head are white, was called the Washington eagle by Audubon, the great naturalist. Like Washington, he is brave and fearless, and as his name and greatness are known the world over, so can the eagle soar to heights beyond others.

The eagle was adopted as the emblem of the United States in 1785, since when it has been used on the tips of flags, coins, United States seals and on the shield of liberty.



Supply the missing parts of letters as shown in the four completed letters. When finished you will have made a well-known quotation of six words.

**Buzz and Buzz-Fizz.**  
In the game of Buzz, have every one sit around in a circle. Have the players begin to count "one," "two," "three," and so on up to a hundred or so, but always substituting "buzz" for the number 7 or any of its multiples—14, 21, etc. The instant any one makes a mistake he must drop out of the game, and the player next to him must begin at "one" again. If any one forgets his number or gives the wrong number after "buzz," he must pay a forfeit. This is a tiptop game, and will keep everybody entertained.

**Buzz-Fizz** is like the game of "Buzz"—only more difficult. In addition to having to say "buzz" in place of the number 7 or any of its multiples, the players must also say "quack" in place of the number 3 or any number in which it occurs—for instance, 30 is quack-one, 31 is quack-two, etc.

"Fizz" must be used in place of the number 5 or any of its multiples. All the fifties must begin with "fizz."

And "cockadoodleoo" must be used in place of the number 11 or any of its multiples.

Counting from 1 up to 15, for example, you see, you must say: One, two, quack, four, fizz, quack, buzz, eight, quack, fizz, cockadoodleoo, quack, quack, buzz, quack fizz (for 15 equals three times 5).

Observe the same rule for mistakes as in the game of "Buzz" and give a prize to the best player.

**A Laughing Game.**  
In comment on the physical benefit that doctors say comes from a good, hearty laugh, is this account of a game that is warranted to set a whole room in an uproar of merriment.

This is one of the jolliest impromptu games that we know of. We mean by impromptu that it requires no preparation whatever, but may be played by a roomful of boys and girls the moment it is suggested. And it is brimful of fun from start to finish.

Any number of players may take part in it. They first select a leader, who should be a bright, alert, quick-witted boy, who is capable of preserving his self-possession while fun and laughter is going on around him.

The players seat themselves in a circle and the leader takes his place in the center. He holds in his hand a white handkerchief, which he has knotted so as to make it partly solid.

When everything is ready the leader tosses the handkerchief up in the air, and then every player must begin laughing. But they must all stop laughing by the time the handkerchief reaches the floor, and if anyone does not stop and the leader catches him either laughing or smiling he imposes a forfeit or a fine.

Or instead of making the detected laughter pay a forfeit he may be required to drop out of the circle. If played in this way the players drop out one after another until only one is left, and that one wins the prize.

**The Dollar Sign.**  
Have you ever wondered why this \$ is used for the dollar mark? The following probable explanation has been given:

In the old days some of the American colonies used certain Spanish coins for money. Among these was one called a dollar, which was equal to eight reales, a real being a small Spanish coin.

This dollar was known as a "piece of eight."

In making out accounts there was apt to be confusion in distinguishing between dollars and reales, so when they wished to represent dollars, or "pieces of eight," they made the figure eight and drew two lines through it, like our present dollar sign (\$). In order that it might not be mistaken for a figure, the figures placed after this canceled eight were then known to be dollars; and the reales were distinguished by placing a period in front of the figures, just as we divide dollars and cents nowadays.

**A Pottery Story.**  
A squaw left her two boys to care for her papoose while she worked inside the tent. She did not notice what the boys were doing with the papoose until it began to cry. The squaw was unable to find the miscreants until their distant voices told her they were down by the river. Not coming when she called them, the squaw found that they were unwillingly disobedient. Their feet were stuck fast in the wet clay of the river bank. With great difficulty she got them back to the tent. Then they all laughed at their footprints in the clay, for deep holes remained wherever they had stepped.

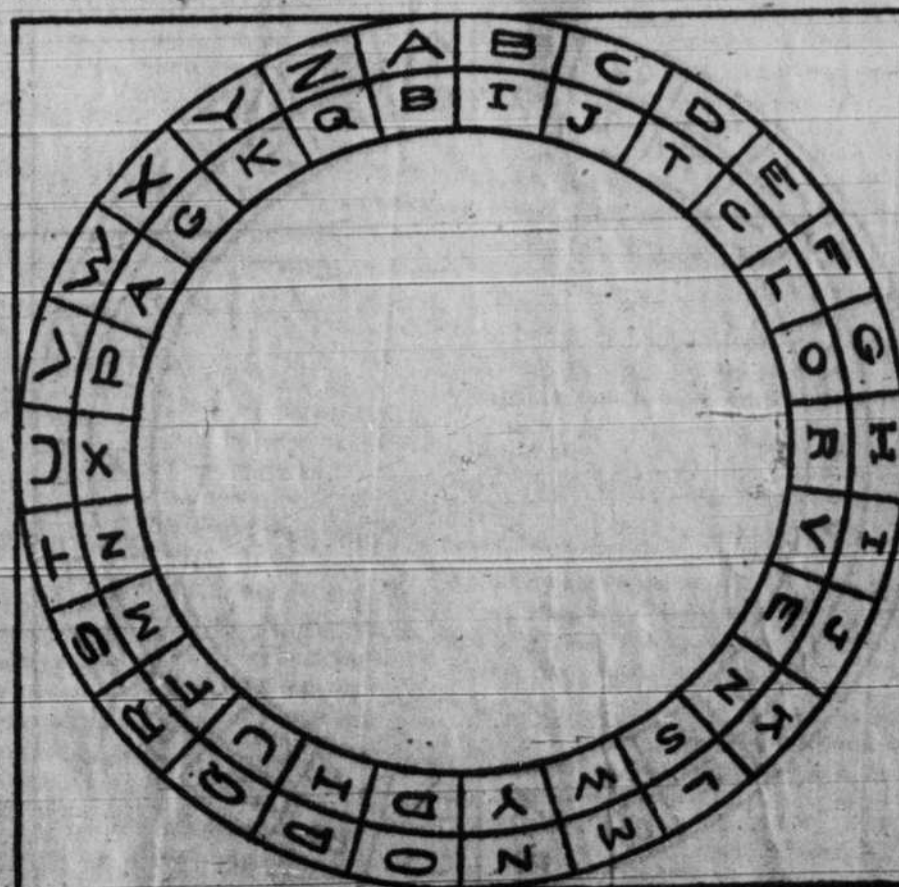
The band of Indians left camp before sunrise the next morning. The squaw, with her boys and papoose, were soon far away. During the hot summer that soon followed the same band returned to the river they had left. The two little boys ran down to the river bank. No rain had fallen since their last visit and they easily found their footprints in the clay. These had dried until they were as hard as stone. They called their mother to look at the holes. She took some clay in her hands, wet it in the river, then shaped it like the hollow stone she used for cooking. She dried it in the sun, and when it was hard proudly showed her "dish" to the old chief. He then ordered all the squaws to "go and do likewise," but they all soon realized that their dishes would not hold water and broke easily.

One day a squaw wanted to save some fire, which was very hard to get. Not having anything to keep it in, she seized one of the clay dishes which had been abandoned as useless. The

**A SECRET CODE DIAL.**  
equal parts, writing in each section thus made a letter of the alphabet, but not in regular order. Be sure that you use every letter, but only one time each.

Fasten the center of the cardboard disk to the center of the original card by means of a paper clamp or a pin, so that the disk may be moved around at will. This completes the dial, and each correspondent must have one with the letters arranged in the same way.

When you begin to write you must "fix" your dial, and at the beginning of your note write any two letters that come together in the two circles. This



Showing Completed Secret Code Dial.  
is the key, as the recipient, in order to read your note, must have his dial arranged as yours was when you wrote it.

Suppose, as an illustration, you were playing a war game and wished to send the following message: "The fleet sails at noon to-morrow." You set your dial at JE, which serves as the key, and keeping the dial fixed thus, you write, instead of the letters T H E in the outer alphabet, the corresponding letters in the inner alphabet, thus: ZRC LSCZ MBVSM BE YDDB ZDWDFFA.

hot coals baked the dish, and she later discovered that it would not break.

Wonder of wonders, it also held water! Calling the chief and the other squaws around her, the Indians realized that they had learned how to make clay dishes in the right way.

**The Magical Cupa of Tin.**  
This little trick, performed in a parlor, will make you appear quite a magician. Get beforehand two perfectly plain tin cups, without handles and with the bottom sunk about a quarter of an inch, and straight edges. On the rump bottom of each put some glue, and over it drop some bird-seed, so that it looks as if the cup were full, whereas it is really standing upside down and the layer of seed is glued to the outside bottom.

When you are ready to perform the trick, have a bag of the same kind of seed, and, standing off from your audience, hold the cups so that they can see they are empty, but don't allow anyone to approach you.

Now take one cup and dip it into the bag of seed, but instead of filling it, turn it upside down, so that when you take it up the seed glued to the bottom will show, and everyone will think it is full.

Place the apparently full cup of



**Tin Cup Trick.**  
seed under a hat, but in doing so do not turn it so that the empty cup is upright and the glued seed at the bottom. Don't let your audience see this turn.

Now take the other cup, which is empty, and let them see you put it under another hat, but also turn this one so that they do not see you do it. This brings the seed to the top and looks as if the cup were full, and when you remove the hat, after pronouncing some magic words, it will look as if the cups had changed places.

Remove the cups before anyone has a chance to examine them.

**SLAVES SATISFIED WITH LOT.**

**Under Mohammedan Masters Conditions Are Not Severe.**  
"In Zanzibar and Pemba slaves are very slow to take advantage of the regulations that give them the right to claim their freedom," says a traveler. "They realize that so long as they are well used their position is superior to that of the man whose freedom is his sole asset. I have found the same attitude in North Africa. From Morocco to Tripoli one sees most of the slaves well content and flourishing. The famine, the locusts, the drought and the tax collector have no terror for them; work keeps them healthy, they have enough to eat and drink and the future has no meaning at all. There is promotion; there are confidential missions to governors and friends that elevate a slave, if only in the eyes of his fellows, and there is always a chance of manumission when the owner dies and wishes to have some good deeds recorded in the books of Islam's recording angels. The sorry truth of the matter is that slaves under Mohammedan rule are much better off than they ever were under the rule of white men—in America and elsewhere."

**Liniment of Cedar Oil.**  
Cedar oil is a valuable liniment, and as a general pain killer had immense vogue at one time among patient medicine men. Guides and trappers still believe in it.

**Found at Last.**  
Alston, Mich., March 13th.—(Special).—After suffering for twenty years from Rheumatism and Kidney Troubles, and spending a fortune in doctors and medicines that brought him no relief, Mr. James Culet of this place has found a complete cure for all his aches, pains and weakness, in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Naturally Mr. Culet feels much elated over his cure and gives great credit to the remedy that gave him health.

"Yes," Mr. Culet says, "my rheumatism and Kidney Troubles are all gone—and I feel like a new man. Dodd's Kidney Pills did it. Before I used them I spent a small fortune on doctors and one remedy and another. I cheerfully recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills to anyone suffering from Rheumatism or Kidney Trouble."

Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure sick kidneys. Healthy kidneys take all the uric acid—the cause of Rheumatism—out of the blood. That's why Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure Rheumatism.

**Eggs for Breakfast.**  
Eggs furnish a good substitute for meat, and we believe it would be far better for the average person if eggs were more frequently used in place of meat. Especially do they make a light, nutritious dish for breakfast, instead of the usual bacon or ham or sausage.—Medical Talk.

**DISFIGURED BY ECZEMA.**

Wonderful Change in a Night—In a Month Face Was Clear as Ever—Another Cure by Cuticura.

"I had eczema on the face for five months, during which time I was in the care of physicians. My face was so disfigured I could not go out, and it was going from bad to worse. A friend recommended Cuticura. The first night after I washed my face with Cuticura Soap, and used Cuticura Ointment and Resolvent, it changed wonderfully. From that day I was able to go out, and in a month the treatment had removed all scales and scabs, and my face was as clear as ever. (Signed) T. J. Soth, 317 Stagg Street, Brooklyn, N. Y."

**Use of Arbalist Once Forbidden.**

During the twelfth century the early arbalist, or cross-bow, was considered such a deadly weapon when it was first introduced into warfare that its employment in war was forbidden among Christian nations, and it was not until the fourteenth century that it came into general use.

**How's This?**  
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and he has been perfectly honorable in all business transactions and especially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

WALDORE, KIRK & MAZUI, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

**Destructive Swiss Avalanches.**  
An avalanche which recently occurred near the town of Davos, in Switzerland, came down from a height of nearly 3,000 feet, and entirely closed one of the rural roads leading to the city. In order to restore a passage it was necessary to cut a tunnel through the hard snow. To what extent and of what magnitude such avalanches occur in Switzerland may be imagined from the fact that about two months ago a slide took place from the glaciers which was estimated to contain over 40,000,000 cubic feet of snow. In many instances small villages have been entirely buried under these masses.

**Important to Mothers.**  
Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of **Dr. Wm. Mitchell**  
In Use For Over 30 Years.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought.

**Wanted to Have Coffin Ready.**  
Marion Pierce of Shasta county, California, drove fifty-six miles from his ranch to town to buy a coffin for his father. The old man was not dead when he started, but he expected to see his coffin on his return.

**Unprintable.**  
What do you suppose a father thinks when his son picks up a baseball, a baseball bat, a tennis racket and a bag of golf sticks, and starts out to sea?—Atchison Globe.

**NERVOUS HEADACHE**

**MARRIED A YOUNG WOMAN'S HAPPINESS FOR SEVEN YEARS.**

Interfered With Her Social Duties and Threatened to Cause Her Retirement—How She Was Cured.

Every sufferer from nervous headache knows how completely it unfits one for the duties and pleasures of life. Any little excitement, or over-exertion, or irregularity brings it on. Sometimes the pain is over the whole head. Again it is like a nail driven into the brain, or a wedge splitting it open, or a band tightening about it. At one time it is all in the top of the head, at another it is all at the base of the skull.

Most headaches can be traced to some faulty state of the blood. When the blood is scanty or charged with poison, and the nerves are imperfectly nourished and the digestion weak, one of the commonest results is frequent and severe headaches.

The important thing is to get rid of the diseased condition of the blood that causes the attack by the use of a remedy that will do the work quickly and thoroughly. What is that remedy? The experience of Miss Ellen McKenna furnishes the answer. She says:

"For more than seven years I was a great sufferer from nervous headache and dizziness. My stomach was disordered, and I became so restless that I could not sit still any length of time. Dizziness interrupted my work greatly. At first the attacks were not so severe, but they gradually grew more violent, and finally became so acute that I was on the point of relinquishing my membership in the different organizations to which I belonged."

"What saved you from that necessity?"

"A very simple thing; the call of a member of one of the clubs, who strongly advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills before giving up. I acted on her suggestion at once, and after steadily using this great blood and nerve remedy for two months, my headaches and my dizziness entirely disappeared."

Miss McKenna is secretary of the Associated Ladies' Guild, and resides at No. 48 West street, Roxbury, Mass. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have cured many hundreds of similar cases, and can be confidently recommended to drive all poisons from the blood and to give needed strength to the nerves. Every druggist keeps them.

**Zulus Swift Runners.**  
The rate at which the Zulus can run in an emergency is astonishing. Some will cover as much as fifty miles in six hours. Eight miles in an hour is an ordinary feat.

**TEA**

Whether tea is the most important thing in the world or not we want it right and we want it steady.

Write for our Knowledge Book, A. Schilling & Company, San Francisco.

**Brilliant Surgeons Not Wanted.**  
Genius is some sort of neurosis, an uncalculated nervous disease. The few men of genius I have met were exceedingly impossible persons. They are certainly entirely out of place in the medical profession, where even cleverness is not to be encouraged. Indeed, of all desperately dangerous persons the brilliant surgeon is the most lamentable.—Sir Frederick Traves in the Young Man.

**TEA**

There is a deal of comfort and refreshment cheer and positive joy in a timely cup.

**Adulteration Unlimited.**  
A flour recently purchased in Portugal proved on analysis to contain 53 per cent of kaolin or china clay, while the remainder was mostly ground rice husks and finely powdered sawdust!

**TEA**

Does it pay to advertise? Depends on circumstances! What circumstances! The tea and the dealing.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's Best.

**Good Prices for Chippendale.**  
A suite of Chippendale furniture belonging to an old Essex family has been sold privately at Saffron, Walden, England, for £1,800. It comprises a settee on six legs, twelve chairs and five stools, eighteen pieces in all. The frames were of walnut, elaborately carved, with cabriole legs and claw feet.

**Comforts of Travel.**  
The porter on the California Limited this winter will be prepared to press a gentleman's trousers while he waits. This is a new wrinkle, introduced for the benefit of fastidious dressers. It isn't absolutely necessary to carry along an extra pair of trousers, either; the porter works while you sleep.

On this luxurious train daily market reports are received by wire; there are the latest morning and evening newspapers issued on route, free of charge; a library of western books and current magazines. A Whiteley excursion for those who wish to keep up their athletics, and electric curling irons for the ladies are other travel comforts.

The Santa Fe intends to keep its fast flyer at the front.

**Unprintable.**  
What do you suppose a father thinks when his son picks up a baseball, a baseball bat, a tennis racket and a bag of golf sticks, and starts out to sea?—Atchison Globe.