

THE CHILDREN

AUNT EDITH. RHYMES FOR TINY TOM. Redbreast sat upon a tree...

THE WORD PUZZLES.

I. Spain, Arabia. II. Cuckoo. What is only the first...

PUZZLE THIS OUT.

What that names a space is the... consonant and I become...

SCONE.

There is under the coronation... the stone that was Jacob...

PARTY GAME.

Head Off can become a... party. Two go out of the...

SILENT MILL.

mill that I know. The water turned the wheels...

AS OLD AS THE HILLS.

As I suppose, you and never a nose...

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WIT AND HUMOUR

Said the young man: "I hold that the thing for the husband to do is to begin as he intends to go on..."

He: "If you could have two wishes come true, what would you wish for?"

The tired-looking man sat facing the solicitor. "And so you want a divorce from your wife?"

A pretty country girl entered a large draper's establishment. The shop was crowded. Presently one of the assistants approached her.

Small boy fishing at pond (to slightly elder brother who is on the other side and doing better): "Hey, Bill, I'm cummin' over there."

"No, George," she muttered, "I can never be yours." "Well, Doris," he answered bitterly, "you might have told me so before."

Mrs. B.: "George, it's outrageous. The moment you see that girl you seem to forget that you are a married man!"

Mr. Martin was talking at the dinner-table, in his usual clever manner, about the inconsistency of women.

"De Caverley's trip to the country did not seem to do him much good. Is it true he had a stroke of apoplexy the very day he got there?"

Indignant Client: "Well, but—hang it all! No redress? Law doesn't exactly meet my case!"

Old Lady: "Doctor, do you think there is anything the matter with my lungs?"

A touch of sentiment is always refreshing, especially in a rough-seeming man. "I say, squire, what'll you take for that dog o' yours?"

"Did you hear that Mr. M—, the banker, has failed? The one whose daughter has just married the penniless fellow Lord N—?"

"I am convinced of the truth of the saying that there is no money in literature," said Mrs. Brown.

Mr. Henpeck: "My wife has disappeared." Constable: "When?" "A fortnight ago."

"Dot boy of mine is going to make a good business man," said Mr. Beckstein. "Yesterday I told him I was going to leave all my property to him when I died, and you s'pose he say to dot?"

Wade: "Why isn't dinner ready?" Mrs. Wade: "I've been bargain-hunting all the afternoon and I was late home."

"There are two sides to every question," proclaimed the sage. "Yes," said the plain man, "and there are two sides to a sheet of flypaper, but it makes a mighty big difference to the fly which side he chooses."

Employer (to boy who has asked for the afternoon off): "Well, whose funeral is it this time?" Boy: "Don't know, sir, but all the papers say 'the home team.'"

"Yes, it's an awful come-down to be travelling for an unknown whisky," said the old school-fellow, lugubriously, and he added: "By the way, next time you're in a smart restaurant you might ask for Blue Squirrel whisky, and do me a good turn, will you?"

The master returned one evening a little earlier than usual. His wife was not in the house, so he called downstairs to the kitchen. "Mary, do you know anything of my wife's whereabouts?"

Mr. William Jones was a nervous little man, especially in company. Consequently, when his employer asked him home to meet his wife, Mr. Jones was startled, but he managed to stammer his thanks, and bravely set out with his employer.

Angela: "Dear Gertie has married a most wealthy man. She has more money than she knows how to spend. She says she has absolutely nothing to wish for."

When a doctor and his Irish coachman were driving past a duck pond, the coachman said: "Oi hate thim birds, sorr."

The grand lady was extremely fond of bridge, and the Vicar tried gentle remonstrance. "Your ladyship," he said mildly, "cannot fail to have noticed the time wasted in playing cards."

Excited Lady (who has been annoyed by drunken gentleman next to her on a tram-car): "Conductor, are drunken people allowed on this car?"

"Are those people who have moved next door to you well bred?" "They are. They answered all my questions, and never asked me one about myself."

Old Boarder: "What's for breakfast? Hope it's not ham and eggs again." Servant: "No, sir, not ham and eggs this morning."

"Well, my dear madam, and how are you to-day?" "Oh, doctor, I have terrible pains all over my whole body, and it seems impossible to breathe! Of course, I can't sleep at all, and I haven't a particle of appetite."

Doctor (to shivering patient): "If you'd follow my prescription you'd be warm in no time." Patient: "I know it, for I threw your prescription into the fire."

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