



BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES
THE QUEEN AT LAST
Who looks ahead will always find, There's little time to look behind.

By Thornton W. Burgess
Peter Rabbit hadn't seen Queen Bumble Bee for several days and he missed her. He missed her a lot. Every day he visited her home, hoping to at least get a

Contract Bridge
By Josephine Culbertson
TOO PERSISTENT

South in the following deal was one of those countless players who will never "let go" when they hold a long, semi-solid suit. Anyone listening to their insistent rebidding of that suit, to the exclusion of all other considerations, might well get the idea that these players bid in a sort of vacuum, without any partner.

Bridge bidding table with North and South hands and a bidding sequence.

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 3 ♣ Pass

Beyond question, South's club suit was good, but it certainly was not good enough for the lip service (in a literal sense) that South gave to it. It was plain from the bidding that North was very short or even void in clubs, and so there was a distinct danger that a club suit would come to grief—as it actually did.

glimpse of her in her rich velvety coat of black and yellow. Then he would at least know that she was still alive. Always there were other bees there. Anyway there were others coming and going. None stopped long enough for him to ask questions. They were smaller than Queen Bumble, and not dressed so richly. They were busy folks. Then one morning when Peter visited that home in the ground, who should come out but Queen Bumble herself. "Oh!" cried Peter. "You're alive!"

was unlucky and that South would have "sailed home" if he had found a better position of the missing trumps, but perhaps South was being punished for being so persistent and single minded. The hard fact is that six spades would have been a far superior contract—indeed, North could have taken all 13 tricks at spades. South should have reasoned that North had been duly impressed by South's jump to three clubs and his next rebid of that suit, and would not have hesitated to support South with even two low clubs. Actually, however, North conveyed the strongest sort of warning against clubs. He not only rebid his spades but then mentioned a second suit, hearts, at the four-level. Surely, this was a message that South could ignore only at his own peril. Instead of bidding clubs for the third time, South should have supported North's spade suit.



"I'm glad to know someone misses me," buzzed Queen Bumble.

"I'm glad to know someone misses me," buzzed Queen Bumble. "But, I still don't know why you should have thought anything should have happened to me."

Peter blinked in the most foolish way at Queen Bumble. "Did you say that those were your children?" he asked.

"That's what I said," buzzed Queen Bumble. "Of course they are my children."

"I've noticed that they are always coming and going, and in too much of a hurry to stop and talk," said Peter. "Just how do they help you?"

"If you had really used your eyes you wouldn't have needed to ask," replied Queen Bumble. "Haven't you noticed that when they come back they always have their baskets full of pollen from the flowers?"

"Baskets? What are baskets anyway?"

a little pocket, when a called a basket." "Oh," said Peter. "Those children are saving me an awful lot of work outside. I don't have to collect that flower dust anymore. I don't have to get food. They keep me busy inside while they are working outside. Don't worry about me, Peter Rabbit," said Queen Bumble, and with this she went back into the house.

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DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS: 1. A wrinkled or fold (anal.) 2. A wheeled vehicle 5. Fail to hit 9. Per. to punishment 10. Notions 12. Nimble 13. A besetting 14. Parasitic insecta 15. Tends, as a furnace 16. Frosty 17. Classify 18. Hanging pendant of the south 20. Book of the Old Testament 23. One who doesn't work 24. Conscious 26. River (Eng.) 27. To be present 28. Biblical name 30. Writing 32. Thicket 35. Diminutive of "Stanley" 36. Of hours 37. Make amends 38. Herangase 39. Legendary enchantress 40. Malt beverages 41. Scottish Gaelic

Crossword grid with numbers 1-41.

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it: A cryptogram quotation. One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

YESTERDAY'S CRYPTOQUOTE: HE HATH EATEN ME OUT OF HOUSE AND HOME "SHAKESPEARE.

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Comic strip 'Major Hoople' by J.R. Williams. Panel 1: 'I've got a clue on your chair, Major! — a furniture dealer told me the "Breezy-Nap" Co. is going to make it — and the top cutie of the outfit is Wendell Gamstaff!'

Out Our Way By J. R. Williams

Comic strip 'Out Our Way' by J.R. Williams. Panel 1: 'Ye gods! When will I ever get used to these things? I almost stepped right onto that one and I've got a sudden sickness of the stomach!'

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Comic strip 'L'il Aber' by Joe Palooka. Panel 1: 'I DON'T BLAME YOU FOR WEARING THAT PAPER BAG!'

Comic strip 'L'il Aber' by Joe Palooka. Panel 2: 'I'D BE ASHAMED TO HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH HIM, IF I WAS HIS WIFE!'

Comic strip 'L'il Aber' by Joe Palooka. Panel 3: 'PLEASE, LIL, ABNER! YOU'LL NEVER! I'D RATHER DIE THAN BE LAFFED AT BY TH' BOYS AT TH' STABLE!'

Comic strip 'L'il Aber' by Joe Palooka. Panel 4: 'YOU'VE GOT A SURE SHOT OF BEING KILLED BY THAT ONE AND I'VE GOT A SURE SHOT OF BEING KILLED BY THAT ONE!'

Comic strip 'Henry' by Carl Anderson. Panel 1: Henry goes to a tailor. Panel 2: Henry goes to a beauty salon. Panel 3: Henry goes to a wrinkle remover.

Comic strip 'Grandma' by Charles Kuhn. Panel 1: Grandma is constipated. Panel 2: Grandma takes Ex-Lax. Panel 3: Grandma feels better.

Comic strip 'Mickey Mouse' by Walt Disney. Panel 1: Mickey Mouse is constipated. Panel 2: Mickey Mouse takes Ex-Lax. Panel 3: Mickey Mouse feels better.

Comic strip 'Bringing Up Father' by George McManus. Panel 1: Father brings up a refrigerator. Panel 2: Father brings up a corned beef and cabbage. Panel 3: Father brings up a dog.

Comic strip 'Muggs and Skeeter' by Wally Bishop. Panel 1: Muggs and Skeeter are talking. Panel 2: Muggs and Skeeter are playing. Panel 3: Muggs and Skeeter are laughing.

Comic strip 'Erta Kent' by Paul Robinson. Panel 1: Erta Kent is talking. Panel 2: Erta Kent is laughing. Panel 3: Erta Kent is shouting.

Comic strip 'Tilly The Toiler' by Bob Gustafson. Panel 1: Tilly is talking. Panel 2: Tilly is laughing. Panel 3: Tilly is shouting.

Comic strip 'Joe Palooka' by Ham Fisher. Panel 1: Joe Palooka is talking. Panel 2: Joe Palooka is laughing. Panel 3: Joe Palooka is shouting.

Comic strip 'The Lone Ranger' by Fran S. Carter. Panel 1: The Lone Ranger is talking. Panel 2: The Lone Ranger is laughing. Panel 3: The Lone Ranger is shouting.