

BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

JUST A BABY EEL. As day by day we older grow, The more we find there is to know. —Peter Rabbit

Peter Rabbit had for the first time seen what he called a baby eel. It was hardly as long as your finger and very small around, and it looked almost as if it were made of glass. When Peter got back to the dear Old Briar-patch he told Mrs. Peter about it.

"I wonder where that baby came from," said Peter. "I've never seen any baby Eels in Laughing Brook, or the Smiling Pool, or the Big River. I'm afraid that baby won't live long. It is such a little thing I am sure Longlegs the Heron, or Rattles the Kingfisher, will get it. It is too young to be swimming around all alone. It is just a baby."



At the same time there were other baby Eels, cousins of Little Miss Elver, who looked just like her, but really were different. They also were heading for the land, but not for America. They were heading for the other side of the Great Ocean, for Europe. It would take them more than twice as long to get there, perhaps three times as long as it would for Little Miss Elver and her brothers and sisters to reach the shore of America. At the same time they were heading for the shore they were also swimming north. It would take Little Miss Elver more than a year, perhaps a year and a half, to reach the place where the big River came flowing down through the land to join the Great Ocean. All the time those little Eels that didn't look like Eels at all were in danger, just as so many babies with no mothers or fathers to take care of them are in danger.

Now they headed for the nearest land which was America. It was too bad that there was no one to tell Peter about that baby. She was called Little Miss Elver, and she wasn't quite so much of a baby as Peter thought. She was far, far from being as helpless as Peter seemed to think she must be. He would have been a surprised Rabbit could he have known that already she had made as long a journey as some of the feathered folk who go way down to the Sunny South to spend the winter. She was a little over a year old, perhaps a year and a half. And most of that time she had been traveling.

Of course Peter knew nothing about the Great Ocean. Graywing the Gull, who sometimes visited the Smiling Pool, had told Peter that the Big River joined the Great Ocean; but that was all Peter knew about it. Little Miss Elver had been born in the Great Ocean, way down where it is always summer. She had been born deep down in the water. Then, and for some time afterward, Little Miss Elver didn't look the least bit as she did now. She was flat. She wasn't long and slender at all. She was flat, and if you could have seen her you could have looked right through her as if she were glass. Of course she was very tiny then, a real baby. Unless you had known all about her, you never would have guessed she was a baby Eel.

All fishes from the time they come out of their eggs can swim. Little Miss Elver and her sisters ever so many brothers and sisters just like her began swimming in one direction. They had been born far, far out in the Great Ocean. Now, they headed for the nearest land, which was America. Of course such tiny babies couldn't swim fast. All they could do was to keep swimming. Sometimes the wind blew the water into great waves, and the baby Eels couldn't move ahead at all. The waves even carried them back some times.

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MINARD'S LINIMENT

Mexico Seeks Third Win In Tuna Cup Match

By Josephine Culbertson

HALIFAX, (CP)—Mexico will seek its third consecutive victory in the international tuna cup match at Wedgeport, N. S., Sept. 7-9 with a team of veterans.

Joaquin Cicero of Colon, organizer and captain, said his squad will include last year's captain, Dr. Rodolfo Araujo, the 1953 captain, Miguel Barrechea, Jorge Cuevas, Jose Fuentes and Mauricio L. Guerra.

The entry list now includes teams from Argentina, the British Commonwealth, Chile, Cuba, Mexico, the United States and Venezuela.

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Hollander Wins Bike Race

BORDEAUX, France, (AP)—Wout Wagtmans of Holland won Wednesday's 195-kilometre 19th lap of the Tour de France bicycle race from Pau to Bordeaux.

Louison Robert of France kept the yellow jersey as over-all leader of the 4,320-kilometre race.

Wagtmans covered the lap, on flat roads through the pine-covered lands country, in five hours 15 minutes 38 seconds.

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By Josephine Culbertson

THE GUILTY PARTY

THE hand below was sent in with the usual request: "Name the culprit, North or South."

North dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

♠ A	♣ K Q 5 4 3	♥ Q 9 2	♦ A J 6
♠ K 5 7	♣ K 9 6 4	♥ 10 7	♦ 10 7
♠ 10 7	♣ K 3	♥ 5 3	♦ Q 10 6
♠ J 9 8	♣ A 7 2	♥ 10 7 4	♦ 5 4
♠ 10 7 4	♣ A Q J 8 2	♥ 9 3	♦ 5 4
♠ A 7 2	♣ A Q J 8 2	♥ 10 7 4	♦ 5 4

This was the reported auction:

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♥	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

And this is the factual account of what transpired:

West opened a spade, and South went down a trick.

North then said that South should have gone on in diamonds after being raised instead of per-

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DAILY CROSSWORD

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|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ACROSS | DOWN | Foot-way |
| 1. Advantage | 1. Exclamation | 26. Wild ox (Celebes) |
| 4. Hoax | 2. Prefix to German names | 26. Obese |
| 11. Dwelling | 3. Suggestive of a poker stake | 24. Discolored, as if burned |
| 12. Goddesses of the hours | 4. River (Czech.) | 28. Native of Tahiti |
| 15. Put in a poker stake | 5. Guided city | 24. British protectorate (Arab) |
| 14. Unit of measure | 6. Grave | 25. Flock |
| 15. Biblical city | 7. Acts of gathering cattle together | 27. Salt (chem.) |
| 16. The setting of the sun | 8. Receipts for coffee (West. U.S.) | 29. Route |
| 17. Knave of clubs (100) | 9. Confront | 31. Prices |
| 19. Bend over | 10. Tennis | 33. A chrysalis under Napoleon I |
| 20. Yearly | 11. Parts of legs | 34. Dexteros |
| 22. State (West. U.S.) | 12. Coin (Spain) | |
| 26. Brown, as bread | | |
| 27. Garden tool | | |
| 28. Stop | | |
| 29. A flat ring to give tightness to a joint | | |
| 30. A river of Russia | | |
| 32. India (poet.) | | |
| 33. To apply original stake, plus winnings, on another race | | |
| 36. Close to | | |
| 37. A German submarine (hyphenated) | | |
| 38. Foreign | | |
| 41. Dish | | |
| 42. Frighten | | |
| 43. The mosquito carrying yellow fever | | |
| 44. Pet name for a son | | |

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:

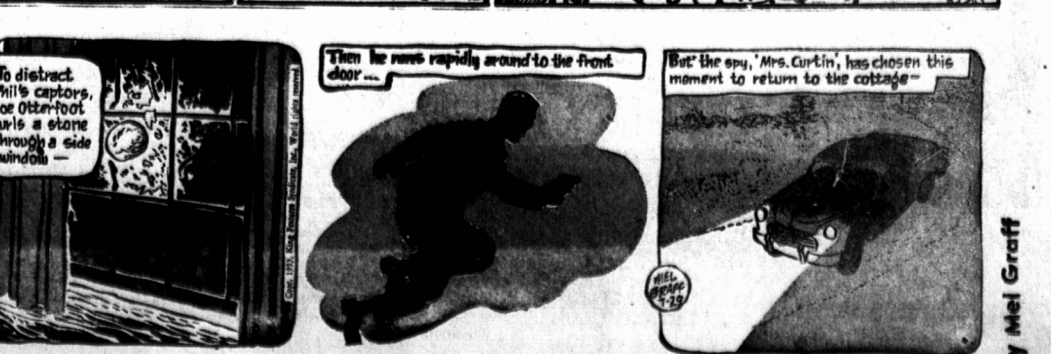
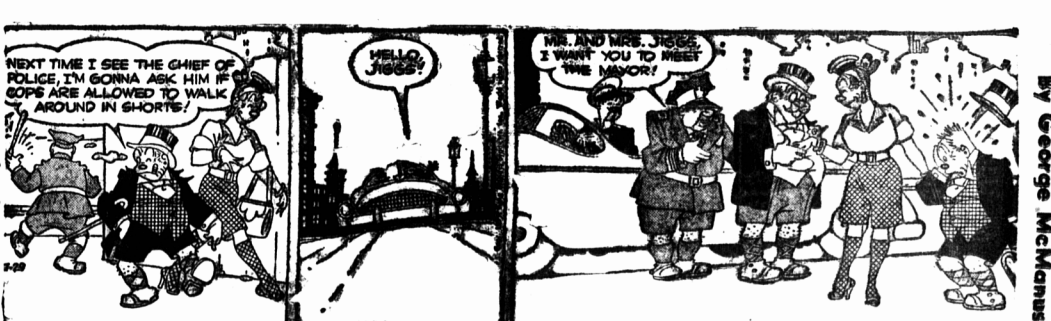
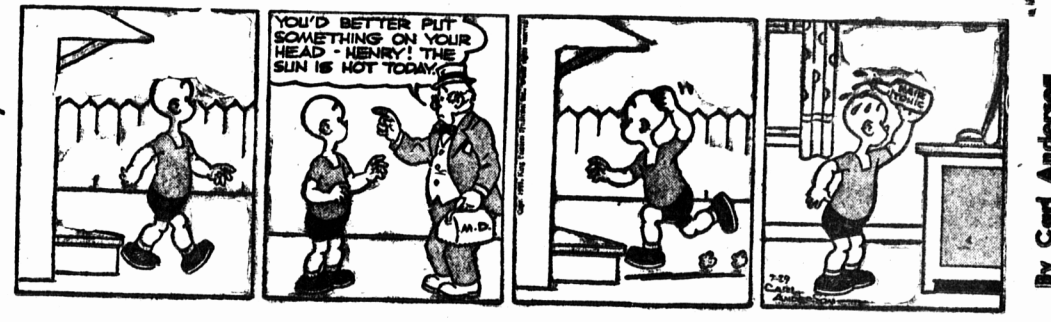
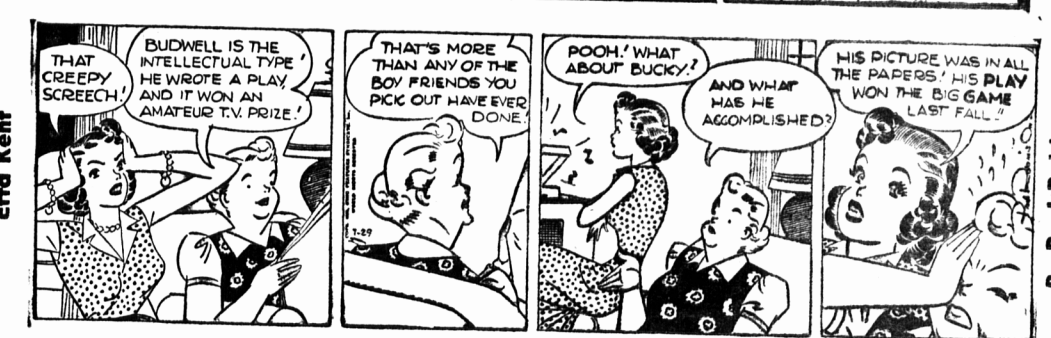
A X Y D L B A A X R
L O N G F E L L O W

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.

A Cryptogram Quotation

G K I T Y C K S E W K W W I N T Y C K
V W B P A P K J : S E C T G H A A T E Y V W D
P A W I ? — A T E V S H E K .

Yesterday's Cryptogram: UP SPRINGS THE LARK, STIRRS L VOICED AND LOUD THE MESSENGER OF MORN — THOMPSON.



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