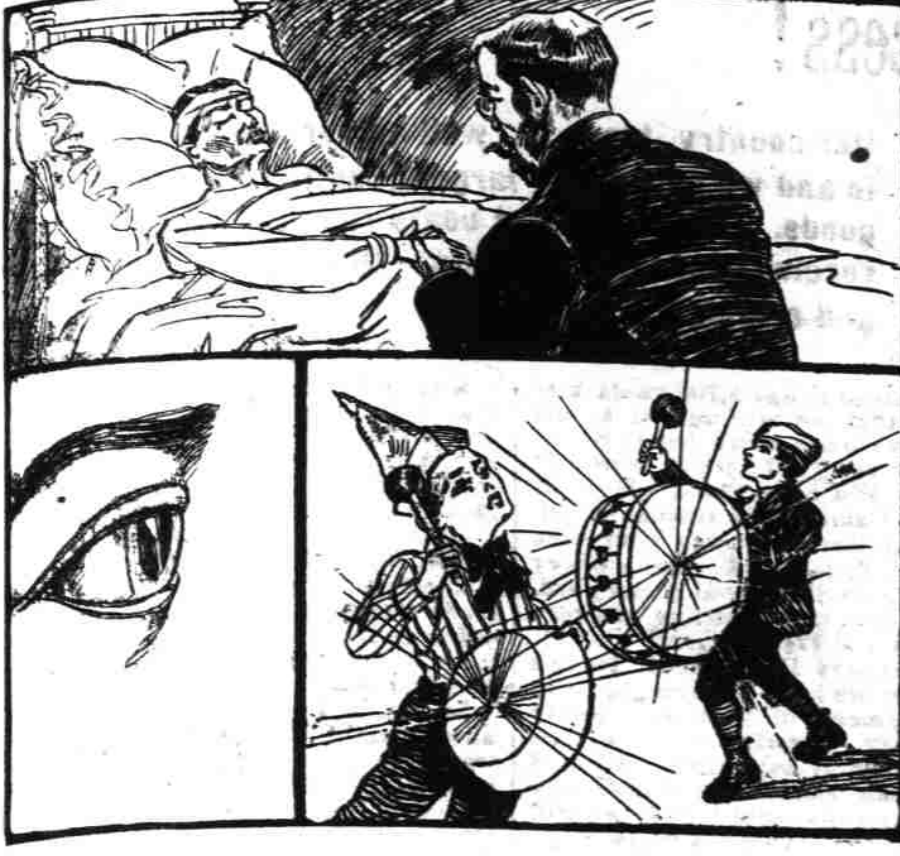


**PUZZLE PICTURE.**  
HIDDEN STATE PUZZLE.



WHAT STATE IS REPRESENTED?

**FOR THE LITTLE ONES.**

**Birds of the Sea That Are Careless in Their Nesting.**  
Nearly all sea birds are far more careless in their nesting than their cousins who live inland. The terns, the skuas, the puffins, the black throated diver and the guillemot really make no nests at all. The puffins, however, usually borrow a rabbit burrow and are not particular whether its original owners have done with it or not. If they interfere or even try to pass, a peck from the puffin's great parrot shaped bill is enough to warn them against trying to experiment the second time. The auks are birds of the northern seas and are perhaps the finest divers of all the feathered tribes. Their short wings look in fact far more like fins than wings, and, unlike gulls, the auks catch their prey beneath the water. The auk's selection of a spot to lay her eggs is very strange. She chooses a bare, broken ledge of hard rock overhanging the waves. It looks as though it were a feat to balance eggs in such a place, and the marvel is that the first gale does not send them rolling over the crags. But an auk's eggs are so shaped as to prevent such a calamity. They are much larger at one end than at the other, and so instead of rolling straight ahead like a ball they turn around in a circle when started and so keep their places upon the rocks.

**A LITTLE NONSENSE.**

**Foolish Mistake of a Man Who Was Soliciting For Charity.**  
The man who was soliciting for a charitable institution, argued long and earnestly. He wanted a contribution of \$100. Finally the merchant reached for his checkbook. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver," quoted the solicitor, with cheerful satisfaction. "Does he?" asked the merchant, hesitating. "You'll find it in the Bible," asserted the solicitor. The merchant put back his checkbook. "I was about to give you \$100," he explained, "but I couldn't possibly do that cheerfully. Doubtless it would be more pleasing in the eyes of the Lord if I lent down to a point where I can be cheerful." Thereupon he handed a five dollar bill to the solicitor and smiled pleasantly.—Chicago Post.

**A Privilege In Peril.**



Master—Jane, what is that terrible racket going on outside?  
Jane—One of the children fell downstairs, sir.  
Master—Well, you tell them that if they cannot fall downstairs without making so much noise I won't allow them to fall down at all.

**The Hour.**  
Tubbs—What hour is it?  
Dubbs—None at all.  
Tubbs—What do you mean?  
Dubbs—Not yet 1 o'clock.—New York Herald.

Some Russian railways employ only members of the Orthodox church.

**Startling Evidence.**

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Croup, Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, of Danville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years, and was doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and in a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by R. B. BELLAMY, druggist. Trial bottles free; regular sizes 50c and \$1.00.

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**Bone Pains, Itching, Scabby Skin Diseases.**  
Cancers, Blood Troubles, Pimples, Sores.  
Permanently cured by taking Botanic Blood Balm. It destroys the poison in the blood. If you have scabs and pains in bones, treat of the white face and the dark line in quite striking and pretty. While this style of hanging is more frequently used in the bedroom, curtains of linen for the dining room are good. Crash, old fashioned crash of the dish towel variety, can also be used with splendid success as window curtaining. The coarser the mesh the better the effect, and as this is very cheap in price the fashion should be welcomed by young or economical housewives.

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Suppurating Swellings, Eating Sores, Tumors, Bad Ulcers. It kills the Cancer Poison, and heals the sores or worst cancer perfectly. If you have a persistent Pimple, Wart, Swelling, Shooting, Stinging Pain, take Blood Balm and they will disappear before they develop into Cancer.

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It is a very pleasant and safe cure for Catarrh of the Bladder, Prostate, and Uterus. It is quickly absorbed and gives relief at once. It opens and cleanses the bladder, and cures all cases of Catarrh of the Bladder, Prostate, and Uterus.

**DR. MOTT'S TEETHINA**

Use the legs of a chicken for this dish. Break the joints and cut up the meat into small strips. Pour over it four cups of water, add one tablespoonful of rice and half a teaspoon of salt, then allow it to simmer very slowly for an hour and a half. Strain out the rice and meat and cool. Skim off the fat and reheat as much of the broth as is required. In hot weather the rice may sour the broth, so make without and keep the soup in a tightly corked jar in the refrigerator.—Good Housekeeping.

**PENNYROYAL PILLS**

Use Big 4c for unnatural discharges, inflammation, irritations or obstructions of the urinary membrane. Sold by Druggists, or by express, prepaid, for 25c. Circular sent on request.

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The Ready-to-Serve Cereal

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—H. R. SAUNDERS.

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\$14.50—Baltimore, Md., and return. Tickets on sale daily, June 1st to September 30th, final limit October 31st. All tickets valid for 90 days from date of issue. Tickets to be issued immediately upon arrival at Baltimore with Mr. James Bamford, Joint Agent, No. 7, North Calvert Street, and fee of twenty-five cents paid at the time.

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Schedule in Effect May 23, 1903.

NORTHBOUND.		SOUTHBOUND.	
Train	Time	Train	Time
Lv Wilmington	8:40 a.m.	Ar Wilmington	7:00 p.m.
Ar York	11:15 a.m.	Ar York	11:15 p.m.
Ar Baltimore	1:45 p.m.	Ar Baltimore	8:00 a.m.
Ar Washington	4:15 p.m.	Ar Washington	5:30 a.m.
Ar New York	7:45 p.m.	Ar New York	8:00 a.m.

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**Light & Power Company.**

**DAILY.**  
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LEAVE FRONT AND PRINCESS STREETS (For Wrightsville Beach).  
At 7:00 a. m., 8:30 a. m. and every half hour thereafter until 9:30 p. m., Saturdays only 10:30 p. m.  
LEAVE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH (For Wilmington).  
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\* Will not run beyond Wrightsville.

**The Clyde Steamship Co**

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**From New York to Wilmington.**

NAVYON... Saturday, May 30  
CABE... Saturday, June 6

**From Wilmington to New York.**

NAVYON... Saturday, June 6  
CABE... Saturday, June 6

**From Wilmington to Georgetown.**

NAVYON... Tuesday, May 26  
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Both Steamers have good Passenger accommodations. Through Bills Lading and Lowest Freight Rates guaranteed to and from points in North and South Carolina.

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