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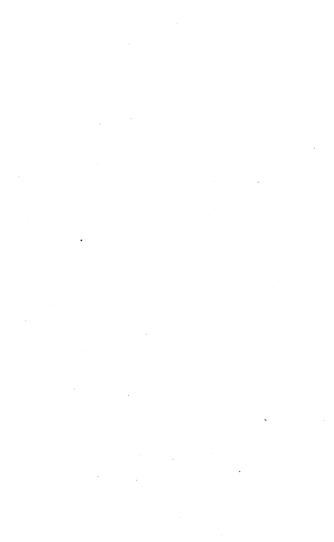
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INTRODUCTION

Although I had already inquired for them from Ilocano boys, my first actual knowledge of Filipino riddles was due to Mr. George T. Shoens, American teacher among the Bisayans. He had made a collection of some fifty Bisavan riddles and presented a brief paper regarding them at the Anthropological Conference held at Baguio, under my direction. on May 12-14, 1908. My own collection was begun among Ilocano of Union Province from whom about two hundred examples were secured. Others were later secured from Pangasinan, Gaddang, Pampangan, Bisayan and Tagal sources. My informants have chiefly been school-boys, who spoke a little English; they wrote the text of riddle and answer in their native tongue and then we went over them carefully together to make an English translation and to get at the meaning. Many Filipinos know how to read and write their native language, although few have had actual instruction in doing so. There is no question that errors and inconsistencies exist in the spelling of these riddles, due to this lack of instruction and to the fact that the texts have been written by many different persons. T am myself not acquainted with any Malay language. I have tried to secure uniformity in spelling within the limits of each language but have no doubt overlooked many inconsistencies. The indulgence of competent critics is asked. It has been our intention throughout to adhere to the *old* orthography. Thus the initial qu and the final *ao* have been preferred.

The word for riddle varies with the population. In Ilocano it is burburtia, in Pangasinan boniqueo, in Tagal bugtong, in Gaddang —, in Pampangan bugtong, in Bisayan tugmahanon.

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Riddles are common to all mankind. They delighted the old Aryans and the ancient Greeks as they do the modern Hindu and the Bantu peoples of darkest Africa. Many writers have defined the riddle. Friedreich in his *Geschichte des Räthsels*, says: "The riddle is an indirect presentation of an unknown object, in order that the ingenuity of the hearer or reader may be exercised in finding it out. . . . Wolf has given the following definition: the riddle is a play of wit, which endeavors to so present an object, by stating its characteristic features and peculiarities, as to adequately call it before the mind, without, however, actually naming it."

The riddles of various Oriental peoples have already been collected and more or less adequately discussed by authors. Hebrew riddles occur in the Bible, the best known certainly being Samson's:

"Out of the eater came forth meat,

And out of the strong came forth sweetness."

Arabic riddles are many and have been considerably studied: Persian riddles are well known; of Indian riddles at least one collection has been printed separately under the name Lakshminatha upasaru, a series of Kolarian riddles from Chota Nagpur has been printed as, also, an interesting article upon Behar riddles: Sanskrit riddles are numerous and have called for some attention from scholars: a few Gypsy riddles are known; two recent papers deal We know of but with Corean riddles. two references to Malayan riddles; one is Rizal, Specimens of Tagal Folk-Lore, the other is Sibree's paper upon the Oratory, Songs, Legends, and Folk-Tales of the Malagasy. This is no doubt an incomplete bibliography but the field has been sadly neglected and even to secure this list has demanded much labor. It suffices to show how deeply the riddle is rooted in Oriental thought and indicates the probability that riddles were used in Malaysia long before European contact.

To what degree Filipino riddles are indigenous and original is an interesting but difficult question. So far as they are of European origin or influenced by European thought, they have come from or been influenced by Spain. Whatever comparison is made should chiefly, and primarily, be with Spanish riddles. But our available sources of information regarding Spanish riddles are not numerous. We have only Demofilo's Collection de enigmas y adivinanzas, printed at Seville in 1880, and a series of five chap-books from Mexico, entitled Del Pequeño Adivinadorcito. and containing a total of three hundred and seven riddles. Filipino riddles deal largely with animals, plants and objects of local character; such must have been made in the Islands even if influenced by Spanish models and ideas. Some depend upon purely local customs and conditions-thus numbers 170, 237, etc., could only originate locally. Some, to which the answers are such words as egg, needle and thread, etc., (answers

common to riddles in all European lands), may be due to outside influence and may still have some local or native touch or flavor, in their metaphors; thus No. 102 is actually our "Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall;" the Mexican form runs:

"Una arquita muy chiquita tan blanca como la cal todo lo saben abrir

pero ninguno cerrar."

But the metaphor "the King's limebox" could only occur in a district of betelchewing and is a native touch. Many of the Filipino riddles introduce the names of saints and, to that degree, evidence foreign influence; but even in such cases there may be local coloring; thus, calling rain-drops falling "rods," "St. Joseph's rods cannot be counted," could hardly be found outside of the tropics. Religious riddles, relating to beads, bells, church, crucifixes, are common enough and are necessarily due to outside influence, but even such sometimes show a non-European attitude of mind, metaphorical expression or form of thought.

Everywhere riddles vary in quality and value. Many are stupid things, crudely conceived and badly expressed. Only the exceptional is fine. Examine any page of one of our own riddle books

and you may criticize almost every riddle upon it for view-point, or form, or flavor. We must not demand more from Filipino riddles than from our own. Some knowledge of local products, customs, conditions, is necessary for the understanding of their meaning; when understood, they are fully equal to ours shrewdness, wit and expression. inKrauss emphasizes the fact that everywhere riddles tend to coarseness and even to obscenity and discusses the reasons. What is true elsewhere is true here; a considerable number of Filipino riddles are coarse; we have introduced them but emphasize the fact that any scientifically formed collection of German or English riddles would contain some quite as bad.

Probably few of our readers have considered the taxonomy of riddles. Friedreich offers a loose and unscientific classification as follows:

I. The Question Riddle.

II. The Simple Word Riddle (with seven sub-divisions).

III. The Syllable Riddle or Charade.

IV. The Letter Riddle.

1. With reference to sound.

2. With reference to form.

V. Punctuation Riddles.

VI. The Rebus.

VII. Complex Riddles; combination of two or more simple types.

VIII. Number Riddles.

Several of these forms occur in our collection.

More scientific than Friedreich's work is Petsch's Studien über das Volksrätsel. His analysis and dissection of riddle forms best enable us to test the indigenous content of our Filipino riddles. He recognizes two fundamental riddle types. He says: "Two groups of riddles have long been distinguished in the collections, the true rhymed riddles and the short 'catch-questions'' expressed in prose. The difference is not only in form but in content. 'True riddles' have as purpose the describing of an object in veiled, thought-arousing, perhaps misleading, poetical clothing, which, from this presentation of its appearance, its source, its utility, etc., shall be recognized by the intelligence, i. e., can and shall be guessed. 'Catch-questions,' on the contrary, are not to be guessed, the questioner intending himself to give the solution; at their best they are intended to trick the hearer, and since their solution is impossible to the uninitiated are not 'true riddles' but false ones. Since I propose to divide the total riddle material of each single nation between these

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two great chief groups, may I not somewhat extend the scope of the latter, including some things which are rejected from most collections as having little to do with actual riddles-those questions which are generally insoluble and such tests of wisdom as appeal not to wit and understanding, but to knowledgewhich are certainly not true riddles. Thus, in the group here characterized as "false" different classes of things are brought together, the characteristics of which I shall investigate later." It would be interesting to quote the anthor's discussion further. We can, however, only state that he recognizes three classes of "false riddles," to which he gives the names "wisdom tests," "liferansoming riddles," and "catch-questions "

Of "true riddles" there is a vast variety of form and content. Most typical is the descriptive riddle of a single object to be guessed. In its complete and normal form Petsch claims that such a riddle consists of five elements or parts. 1 Introduction; 2 denominative; 3 descriptive; 4 restraint or contrast; 5 conclusion. 1 and 5 are merely formal. trimmings; 2 and 3 are inherent and essential; 4 is common and adds vigor and interest. Such complete and "normal'' riddles are rare in any language. 'Usually one or more of the five elements' are lacking. It is only by such an analysis of riddle forms that a comparative study of riddles can be made. Any single riddle is best understood, by the constant holding before the mind this pattern framework and noting the degree of development of the case in hand.

The Filipinos themselves recognize several classes of riddles. An old Tagal lady told us there were three kinds:

1. *Alo-divino*: concerning God and divine things

2. Alo-humano: concerning persons

3. Parabula: all others

There is no science in this classification, which embodies considerable corrupted Spanish. Another informant recognizes six classes:

1. Alo-divino

2. *Historia-vino*: history of God and saints

3. Alo-humano

4. Historia-mano: history of persons.

5. *Karle-mano*: God and saints and persons together.

6. Parabula or biniyabas

These names call for little comment and the classification they embody is of the loosest. The word *parabula* is Spanish in source and equivalent to our parable; *biniyabas* is Tagal.

Some features of our riddles call for comment. Filipino riddles, in whatever language, are likely to be in poetical form. The commonest type is in two well-balanced, rhyming lines. Filipino versification is less exacting in its demand in rhyme than our own; it is sufficient if the final syllables contain the same vowel; thus Rizal says—ayup and pagud, aval and alam, rhyme. The commonest riddle verse contains five or seven, or six, syllables, thus:

Daluang balon

hindi malingon

 \mathbf{or}

Bahay ni San Gabriel

punong puno nang barel.

Just as in European riddles certain set phrases or sentences are found frequently at the beginning or end of the riddle. In Ilocano and Pangasinan a common introductory form is "What creature of God" or "What thing made by Lord God," the expression in reality being equivalent to a simple "what." These pious forms do not at all necessarily refer either to animals or natural objects; thus, a boat or a house is just as good a "creature of God" as a fowl is. A common form of ending is "Tell it and I am yours," "Guess it and I am your man."

Quite analogous to calling inanimate or artificial things "creatures of God" is the personification of all sorts of things. animate and inanimate; thus, a rat is "an old man," a dipper is "a boy." Not infrequently the object or idea thus personified is given a title of respect; thus. "Corporal Black" is the night. Akin to personification is bold metaphor and association. In this there may or may not be some evident analogy; thus a crawfish is "a bird," the banca or canoe is "rung" (like a bell.) Not un-commonly the word "house" is used of anything thought of as containing something; thus "Santa Ana's house," "San Gabriel's house;" this use is particularly used in speaking of fruits. "Santa Ana's house is full of bullets" is rather pretty description for the papaya. The word "work" is often used for a thing made, or a manufactured article.

Saints' names are constantly introduced, generally in the possessive case; examples are "Santa Ana's house," "Santa Maria's umbrella," "San Jose's canes." Less commonly the names of other Bible worthies occur; thus "Adam's hair." There is not always any evident fitness in the selection of the Saint in the connection established. San Jose's connection with rain is suitable enough. One would need to know a good deal regarding local and popular hagiography in order to see to what degree the selections are appropriate.

Sometimes words without meaning, or with no significance in the connection where they occur are used. These may serve merely to fill out a line or to meet the demands of metre. Such often appear to be names of the style of "Humpty Dumpty;" these may be phonetically happy, as similar ones often are in European riddles, fitting well with the word or idea to be called Marabotania is probably meaningup. less, merely for euphony. Place names with no real connection with the thought are frequently introduced, as Pantaleon, "Guering-guering" and Mariveles. "Minimin" are merely for sound.

Particularly interesting and curious are the *historia-vino* given in numbers 312-317. No doubt there are many such. Those here given were secured from one boy at Malolos. When first examined, I believed the boy had not understood what I was after. He assured me that they were *bugtong* and *bugtong* of the best and finest class. The idea in these is to propound a statement in a paradoxical form, which calls for some reference to a bible story or teaching; the answer is not immediately clear and demands a commentary which is quite often subtle and ingenious. Friedreich gives examples of similar expository religious riddles from Europe.

A curious group are the relationship riddles, numbers 286-289, which closely resemble trick questions among ourselves. The evidence of outside influence is here conclusive in the fact that the ideas and terms of relationship in them are purely European, in nowise reflecting the characteristic Malayan system and nomenclature.

Some of the riddles are distinctly stupid. "I let the sun shine on your father's back" seems to mean no more than that the house roof is exposed to the solar rays. It is doubtful whether this means much even in the original Tagal. Of course many of the riddles demand for their adequate understanding a knowledge of native customs, which the outsider rarely has. Thus, until one knows a common method of punishing naughty children, the riddle "T have a friend; I do not like to face him" means nothing. Perhaps the most difficult to adequately present are some plays on words. These frequently need a considerable explanation. In some of these the parts of the word to guess are concealed in or are suggested by the form of the statement and one must extract them and combine them; such \mathbf{are} "iscopidor" and "sampaloc." In others the play depends upon homophony, the same sound or word have different meanings. In vet a third class the answer is a smart Aleck sort of an affair, "How do you take a deer without net, dogs, spear, or other things for catching?" "Cooked." Most inane of all, but with plenty of analogues among ourselves, are those where the answer itself is introduced into the question with the intention to mislead; "'Its skin is green and its flesh is red like a watermelon." "Watermelon."

Filipino riddles are mostly given out by young people. When several are gathered together they will question and answer; they are much in vogue when a young gentleman calls upon his sweetheart; among Tagals and Pampangans at least the chief occasion for giving *bugtong* is when a little group are watching at night beside a corpse. In propounding a riddle it is not uncommon to challenge attention by repeating as witty a rhyme, which is quite as often coarse as witty. One Tagal example runs:

Bugtong co ka Piro! Turan mo ka Baldo! Pag hindi mo naturan Hindi ca nang iwang; Pag maturan mo May tae ang puit mo.

I have a bugtong compadre P! Guess it compadre B! If you cannot guess it You have not cleaned yourself; If you do not guess it You are dirty.

We have mentioned two references to Malay riddles. Of the eight given in Rizal's paper five have been given us by our informants. As Rizal's entire paper will be reprinted in another volume of this series we have not copied Sibree's paper is imthe other three. portant for comparison, since it presents matter drawn from the uttermost point of Malaysia, Madagascar, which has been unaffected by Spanish influence. Sibree's article is translated from a little book by another missionary, the Rev. Louis Dahle. Dahle's book is entitled Specimens of Malayasy Folklore and its material is presented in Malagasy only. Mr. Sibree translates twenty of his riddles. They are in character and flavor like many of the Filipino riddles. As Sibree does not give the native text and I have not seen Dahl's book, I cannot know whether they are rhymed. They are all of the type of true riddles to be guessed, descriptions wherein one or two characteristics or striking features are presented, either directly or figuratively. Examination of this little series deepens an impression already made by study of our own collection, namely, that the true riddles in our series are largely original Filipino while the insoluble riddles, the catches, the plays on words, are those where foreign influence is most evident. Although Sibree's article is easily accessible, we quote a few of thees Malagasy examples for comparison.

"Cut and no wound seen?" "Water," is our number 231.

"The mother says let us stand up, but the children say let us lie across?" "A ladder," and "At night they come without being fetched and by day they are lost, without being stolen?" "The stars." are quite in the style and spirit of Filipino riddles. Compare "Coarse rafia cloth outside and white robe inside?" "Manioc root" with the "Poor outside; rich within," "Langea" of the Ilocano.

The order of presentation of these riddles has been a considerable problem. To arrange them rigidly in Petsch's order of development might have been fairly satisfactory but would have rendered the finding of any desired riddle difficult. We have struck out a crude arrangement in alphabetical order of the English answers, with subdivisions under some general headings. The arrangement is not scientific nor completely developed, but it will perhaps work fairly well in practice. The original text is first given for riddle and answer; the English translation of both follows; then are given such explanation and comment as are necessary. When a riddle occurs in different languages, the text of the question is given in one, but the fact of its occurrence in others is indicated.

We are indebted to many for assistance. The list is too long for individual acknowledgment. To our original Ilocano helpers this little book is dedicated. To Messrs. George T. Shoens, Francisco A. Santos (Calumpit), Rufino Santos (Arayat) and Conrado Benitez (Pagsanghan), we are so deeply indebted that their names must be mentioned. To school boys in Agoo, San Fernando (Union), Malolos, Manila and Tayug, we owe many thanks. Would that the publication of this imperfect collection might lead to their greater interest in a neglected section of their folklore. Some Malay worker ought to perfect and complete the work here begun.

This volume is the first number of a series of little books which the undersigned plans to bring out under the general title of PHILIPPINE STUDIES. Each number will treat of a distinct and separate subject; each will be independent. The extent to which the series will be developed, will depend upon the reception given to it and the degree in which it appears to respond to a real need. Two numbers at any rate are already arranged and the second should appear within a year.

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FILIPINO RIDDLES

Animals: mammals.

1. Ania iti pinarsua iti Dios a balin suec a maturog?

(Iloc.) Panniqui What thing that God made sleeps with its head down? Bat

2. Pantas ca man, at marunong bumasa at sumulat, aling ibon dito sa mundo ang lumilipad ay sumususo ang anak?

(Tag.) Kabag Although you are wise and know how to read and write, which bird in this world flies and yet suckles its young? Bat

3. Uppat iti adiguina, maysa iti baotna, dua iti paypayna, dua iti boneng.

(Iloe.) Carabao Four posts, one whip, two fans, and two bolos. Carabao 4. Apat na tukod langit at isang pang hagupit.

(Tag.) Kalabao Four earth posts, two air posts and whip. Carabao

5. Saquey so torutoro duaray quepayquepay a patiray mansobsoblay.

(Pang.) Dueg One pointing, two moving, four changing. Carabao

The head points, the ears move, the legs change position.

6. Nu mat-tut-lud ay atanang udde; nu mat-tadag ay ibbafa.

(Gad.) Atu If he sits down he is high; if he stands up he is low. Dog

7. Adda maysa nga parsua ni Apo Dios nga adda uppat a sacana, ipusna quen maysa nga ulona nga aoan ti imana.

(Iloc.) Caballo There is one creature of our Lord God which has four legs and a tail and one head; but it has no arms. Horse 8. Carga nang carga ay ualang upa. (Tag.) Babuy

Always working and no pay. The pig

He is ever eating garbage and waste.

9. Eto na si "Nuno," may sunong na quinto.

(Tag.) Babuy Here comes "Nuno" with gold on his head. Pig

The pig is a constant scavenger and frequents the space below latrines and privies; it is a common thing that his snout is yellow as result of his search.

- 10. Magmagna ni inam sangsangitam. (Iloc.) Burias While the mother is walking the child is crying. A little pig
- 11. Adda maysa nga lacay gomogoyod ti oay.

(Iloc.) Bao There is an old man, who always drags rattan. Rat

i. e. his tail.

12. Kahoy cong Marigundong, na sangay ualang dahon.

(Tag.) Sungay My tree in Marigundong (town in Cavite) has branches but no leaves. Horn

The branching horn of a deer.

13. Maco ca quian, yacu naman ing quian.

(Pamp.) Ding bitis daring animal a tiapat a bitis nung lalacad ya.

Away! let me have your place.

The forward legs of an animal The hind feet tread in the prints of the forefeet.

Bell.

14. Nang hataken co ang baging nagkagulo ang matsing.

> (Tag.) Batingao When I pulled the vine the monkeys came around. Bell

15. Tinugtog co ang bangca nagsilapit ang isda.

(Tag.) Campana sa misa

I rang the banca and the fishes came. Bell

Banca is the canoe or boat; to strike it as with the pole is to ring it. People called to mass by the ringing bell are likened to fishes.

16. Togtoquec ti teppang

agarayat ti bagsang

(Iloc.) Campana I strike upon the washout and the bagsang come for help.

The curved side of the bell is compared to a washed out slope or curve of the bank; the *bagsang* are small fishes; the bell is the church bell — the little fishes are the people.

17. Otin nen laquic Tapal ni baleuet (ed corral manaquis, ya agnaecal.

(Pang.) Campana Tapal's hanging within the corral is crying to get out. Bell

Tapal is a nickname for an old man. Betel.

18. Adda tallo nga babbalasang quet no mapanda maquimisa; iti caoes ti maysa ata berde, quet dadiay maysa ata porao, quen dadiay maysa ata lomabaga; quet norommuardan ata malabaga amin iti caoesdan.

(Iloc.) Mamabuyo There are three ladies who went to mass; the dress of one was green, of another white, of the other red; when they came out together the dresses of all were red. Betel

19. Nasatiyan pa nang kanyang ina, kinuha at pinapagasawa.

(Tag.)

Ang bungang isinasama sa itso Still in his mother's body was taken and made to marry. Betel The areca nut is first taken out of its covering before being united with the betel leaf and lime.

20. Bulong tiptipparo; puso balasang baro.

(Iloc.) Mama A *tiptipparo* leaf; the heart, a young man and a young woman. Betel

21. Papel a berde sinoratac ti purao

quet intedco iti sangaili dina insubli.

(Iloc.) Gaoed
I wrote a green paper with white:
I gave it to my visitor and he did not return it. Betel-leaf
White lime is smeared upon the green leaf, which is then used to enwrap a bit of areca nut for chewing.

Birds.

22. Nagcapa dimet nagpadi; Nagcorona dimet nagari.

(Iloc.) Manoc Gown but not priest; crown but not king. Cock

23. Nancorona agmuet ari; nan capa agmuet pari.

(Pang.) Manoc The king's crown but not king; the priest's cope, but not priest. Cock

24. Ania ti pinarsua ni Apo Dios nga ag-gungon ti maquimbaba quet agpidot ti maquin ngato? (Iloc.) Manoc What thing that Lord God made

sifts below and picks up above? Fowl 25. Dinay penalsay Dios ya managtay carne? (Pang.) Manoc What creature of God is with meat Cock on its head? 26. Ania a parsuo ni Apo Dios ti nagsusoon ti carne nga aoan ti imana? (Iloc.) Tapingar What creature of our Lord God carries meat but has no hands? Cock The meat is the cock's comb. 27. Uyana-uyana mamuntuk yang bava! (Pamp.) Manue Here he comes with glowing charcoal on his head! A cock

28. No umayac idiay balayo agtuptupuaceayo.

(Iloc.) Manoc If I come to your house you will jump away. Fowl

Boats.

29. Ania ti pinarsua ni Apo Dios nga

ipagnana ti bocotna?

(Iloc.) Baloto What creature made by Lord God walks on its back? Boat

30. Oalay asoc ya quisquis no onbatic tirakiang.

(Pang.) Baloto

I have a hairless dog, who goes belly upward. Boat

31. Naligo ang capitan hindi nabasa ang tian.

(Tag.) Banca

The captain took a bath without his belly getting wet. Banca

32. Adda impatacderco a caoayan no agbolong intan.

(Iloc.) Parao I set up a bambu; if it leafs out we shall go. Prao

The bambu set up is the mast; the leaf is the sail.

33. Nano nga cahoy nga con may dahon may gamut, pero con ua-ay gani dahon ua-ay man sing gamut?
(Bis.) Parao
What tree is it, that when it has

leaves it also has roots, but when it has no leaves it also has no roots?

Parao

Sail, rudder and oars.

34. Nagalacat nagahayang.

(Bis.) Sacayan He walks with his back. A ship

35. Manica maco tana,

(Pamp)

tipa ca queti tana.

Ancla

Come up and let us go, go down and here we stay. Anchor

Body: parts.

36. Ania ti pinarsua ti Dios a masicog ti licudan?

(Iloc.) Botoy What thing created by God has the fullness of pregnancy (masicog) behind? The calf of the leg Masicog is the swollen abdomen of the pregnant woman.

37. Bulong ti cappa-cappa nagtalicud nagpada.

(Iloc.) Lapayag Cappa-cappa leaves placed back to back. Ears 38. Daluang balon hindi malingon.

(Tag.) Tainga Two wells, of which you cannot catch sight. (Your) ears

39. Pito iti taoana; taltallo iti requepna.

(Iloc.) Lapayag, agong, mata, ngioat

There are seven windows; only three shut.

Ears, nostrils, eyes, mouth 40. Sipac nga sipac, saan nga mangeg ti caaroba.

> (Iloc.) Mata Claps and claps, but the neighbors do not hear. Eyes

41. Tepac cac tan tepac agnereguel na ybac.

(Pang.) Mata Clapping and elapping but my companions cannot hear me. Eyes

42. Dalana cong cahon bucsan ualang ugong.

(Tag.) Mata

I open my two boxes noiselessly.

Eyes

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43. Dalawang batong maitim malayo ang dinarating.

(Tag.) Mata Two black stones which reach far.

Eyes

44. Dalawang tindahan sabay na binu bucsan.

(Tag.) Mata Two stores are open at the same time. Eyes

45. Adda dua nga Princesas quet nagseng nga tan da iti dua nga bantay; no agsangit iti maysa agsangit danga dua.

> (Iloc.) Mata There are two princesses, who live on the two sides of a mountain; when one cries both cry. The eyes

46. Adda dua nga pisi agtongpal idiay langit.

(Iloc.) Mata There are two halves; they go toward the sky. Eyes

47. Malaon nang patay hindi maibaon at buhay ang capit bahay.

(Tag.) Bulag ang isang mata

It is a long time since it died, yet it can not be buried for its neighbor is still alive. One blind eye

48. Señora a samsamping addai ti uneg ti sarming.

(Iloc.) Taotao ti mata A samsamping is in the middle of the mirror. The pupil of the eye

49. Daluang balahibuhen masarap pag daiten.

(Tag.) Mata at kilay Two hairy things, it's pleasant to have them meet. Eyelids

50. Adda dua nga Princesa quet nagbaetanda ti maysa nga bantay quet daytoy a bantay adda met dua nga oaig quet no agsangit daguitoy a Princesa agayos met daytoy nga oaig ngem no saanda nga agsangit mamagaan daguitoy nga oaig.

(Iloc.) Mata quen agung There are two princesses with a mountain between them. In this mountain are two brooks and when the princesses cry these brooks flow and when the princesses do not cry the brooks dry up.

Eyes and nose

51. Isang biyabas pito ang butas. (Tag.) Mukha

One guava with seven holes. Face

52. Limang puno nang niog; isay matayog.

(Tag.) Dalire Five cocoanut palms; one is higher. Fingers

 Adda lima nga Principes nagcallogongda amin ti pisi.

(Iloc.) Ramay There are five princes and their hat is one half. Fingers

The nails are the hats.

54. Adda maysa nga calapati nga nagna ti tinga ti ili manocayo cona ti ari no adda mainayon nga pisi justo nga dua polo cami.

> (Iloc.) Ramay There is a dove that walked in the middle of the town. How many are you said the king. If there is a

half added we shall be twenty. Fingers

55. Ni ni conconana aoan ti matana (Iloc.) Tammodo Here, here, he says, but has no eyes. Forefinger
It points here and there, touching the things in question, but it cannot see.
56. Tata baculud ay ain-mena maita na ut-tunna si catanang-nga. (Gad.) Quiray A mountain the summit of which cannot be seen, being very high.

Forehead

57. Tubo sa punso, ualang buko. (Tag.) Buhoc Sugar-cane on clay, with no joints (knots). Hair

58. Cahoy nga tambalisa, tapson indi malaya.

(Bis.) Buhoc A plant which does not fade when cut down. Hair

59. Iclog iti calao bolig iti lima. Ima (Iloc.)

The calao's egg is five-parted.

Hand

The *calao* is the hornbill; the egg here in question is perhaps his strange headexcressence.

60. Isang bayabas peto ang butas. (Tag.) Ulo One guaya with seven holes. Head

61. Isa ca bungsud nga pito ang iya buho.

(Bis.) Olo

A small hill having seven holes.

Head

- 62. Sica a tao ti yan ti minuterum. (Iloc.) Puso You are the man who has the minute-beater. Heart *Minuterum* the pendulum beating.
- 63. No agtacderac ania ngata ti omona a ipagnac?

(Iloc.) Mocod If I stand, what will be the first that steps? Heel

64. Daluang bangiasan nag hahagaran. (Tag.) Binte Two fence stakes chasing each other. Legs

65. Atian na ing gulut; ing gulut na ya ing atian.

(Pamp.) Bitis Its front is the back, and its back is the front.

The lower leg (below the knee)

66. Adda oaig a bassit napnut bucbucaig.

(Iloc.) Ngioat There is a small brook filled with shells. Mouth

- 67. Isang balong malalem, punong puon nang patalem. (Tag.) Bibig A deep well is filled with chisels. Mouth
- 68. Isa ca cahon-cahon nga punu sang tiguib.

(Bis.) Baba

A box full of chisels. Mouth

69. Dua nga bobon napnot allid quen dagum.

(Iloc.) Agung

Two wells filled with wax and needles. Nose

- 70. Baston ti Ygorot dica maparot (Iloc.) Bato The cane of the Igorot, you cannot pull up. Penis
- 71. Mapatar ya dalin tinoboay garing. (Pang.) Ngipuen

Plain earth has grown ivory. Teeth

72. Umona nga aglaguis sa agdarecdec. (Iloc.) Ngipen First place the bars and then the The teeth posts. The comparison is with fence-building. Here the posts are first set, and then the cross-pieces. The babe has first smooth. horizontal gums; then the upright teeth appear.

73. Nagapanilong apang basa.

wet.

(Bis.) Dila He is under the shed but is always Tongue 74. Enlongon empantion onbangon, mansermon.

(Pang.)

Dila

Coffin in graveyard wakes up sermon. Tongue

75. Na manantang ay maccataua udde na mannam ay malussao. (Gad.) Attut He who loses it rejoices, but he who finds it gets mad at it. Bad odor: breaking wind

76. Iti nacapocao agayayat quet iti nacabiroc agong onget.

(Iloc.) Ottot Who loses it is glad; who finds it is mad. Bad odor

Breaking of wind

77. Magna sirirquep no nacalucat madi met.

(Iloc.) Mucat It walks while it is shut; when it

is open it does not care to walk. Secretion from eye corner

78. Aso cong pute inutusan co, ay hindi na umue.

(Tag.)

Lura

I sent out my white dog and he did not return. Spittle The practice of spitting, even unrelated to betel-chewing or tobacco-chewing, is far commoner among the Filipinos than among ourselves.

Book.

79. Tinadtad a root

insenpen a panonot.

(Iloc.)

Libro

Chopped grass hidden in the mind. Book

Fodder or "food for thought."

80. Nagbulong nagbunga nanganac diay nangala.

(Iloc.) Pagbasan It has leaves and fruits, Godfather took it. Book

Candle.

81. Ania iti anac a pooranna iti baguis ni inana?

(Iloc.) Candela What son burns his mother's intestines? Candle

82. Tite nang pare, mapute. (Tag.) Candela The priest's —— is white. Candle 83. Kung babayaan mong ako ay mabuhay yaong kamatayay dagli kong kakamtan, ngungit kung akoy pataing paminsan ay lalong lalawig ang ingat kong buhay.

(Tag.) Kandilang may sindi If you let me live I shall soon die; if you kill me I shall live long.

A lighted candle

84. Masondug a cayu talaque na donna. (Gad.) Candelat A slender tree which bears only one leaf. Lighted candle

85. Isang butel na palay punong punc ang bahay.

(Tag.)

Ilao

A grain of rice fills the whole house. Light

The flame of a candle is a little thing, comparable to a rice grain; yet it gives light to the whole house.

Cardinal Points.

86. Adda uppat a nga amigos; idi naparsua toy lubong inda naisigud. (Iloc.) Uppat aturong

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There are four friends; they have existed since the beginning.

The four directions

Clock: Watch.

- 87. Aldao rabii agririaoac. (Iloc.) Reloj Dav and night I cry. Clock
- 88. Amanu na mararamdam, dapot masaquit yang intindian, nung ing lupa na ing quecang lauan a usta mu ing qucang sasabian.

(Pang.) Relos His words are audible but difficult to understand; when you look at his face you will understand what he says. Clock

89. Ania ti parsua ni apo Dios nga aoan ti imana nga aoan ti sacana quet ammona ti agsao?

(Iloc.) Leros=reloj What creature of God has no arms and legs, but can talk? Clock

Coffin.

90. Ang nagapahimo nagahibi; ang nagahimo indi iya; ang tag-iya uala

sing calibutan.

(Bis.) Longon The one who orders it made is crying; the one who has it, it is not his to give; the one who owns it does not care anything about it.

Coffin

Disease.

91. Taong buhay inaanay. (Tag.) Bulutong A living person being eaten up by "anay." Smallpox Anay, termites or white ants.
92. Ania ti pagayatan na a mabalud.

92. Ania ii pagayatan na a mabalud. (Iloc.) Ti masaquit Why does he wish to be in prison? Pain

Dress.

93. Dadiay adalem agassiquet; dadiay ababao agatengngned. (Iloc.,—also Pang., Bis.) Calzon; bado

What is deep reaches only to the waist; what is shallow comes to the neck. Drawers; jacket 94. Daluang pipit nag titimbangan sa isang siit.

(Tag.) Hicao Two *pipits* balancing on a bambu stick. Earrings

- The *pipit* is a small bird.
 - 95. Bumili ako nang alipin mataas pa sa akin.

(Tag.) Sambalilo

I bought a slave, taller than myself. Hat

96. Aniat aramid a canennaca.

(Iloc.) Bado

What work devours you. Camisa The word work is used in several of these riddles with the meaning of a thing made, a manufactured article. The camisa is a shirt.

97. Nacaquitaac iti dua a sasacayan; maymaysat naglugan.

(Iloc.) Zapatos I saw two boats; only one person was on board. Shoes

98. Dala mo siya, dala ca niya. (Tag.)

Bakia

You carry it, it carries you. Shoe 99. Dalan mucu, dalan da ca,

mipa quinabang cata.

(Pamp.) Sapin Carry me, I will carry you; let us share alike. Shoes

Drinks.

100. Con aga naga lapta, pero con hapon naga tipon.

(Bis.) Tuba In the morning it is scattered in many places, but in the evening it

is united into one place. Tuba An intoxicating drink made from cocoapalm sap; it is gathered daily. In the morning it is at the trees which yield; at evening it is brought in and stored.

101. Adda maysa a balasang conana toy maysa a baro no ayatennac dacquel ti pagdacsam.

> (Iloc.) Arac There was a lady said to a gentleman "If you love me it will harm you." Wine

Egg.

102. Yti pagapugan ti Ari;

no maluctan saan nga maisubli. (Iloc.) Itlog The limebox of the king; if you open it you cannot restore it. An egg

103. Adda bayabasco idiay Manila aoan ti pamorosanna.

(Iloc.) Itlog I have a guava in Manila that has no stem. Egg

104. Ang balay sang encantadora ua-ay ventana ua-ay puerta.

(Bis.) Itlog The house of an enchantress which has neither window nor door.

Egg

Fishes.

105. Lindus ne enetiran, dapot king asbuk ya milulan. (Pamp.) Balulingi Harpooning at it he missed it, but it went into his mouth.

Balulungi

The shovel-nosed shark. In aiming at food, if it really enters his mouth which

is below the long and projecting snout, he must seem to miss it.

106. Adda maysa nga lacay; puquis nga oacray.

(Iloc.) Corita There is an old man; his hair cut short, the hair hangs. Corita

It is a fish, with slender, pendent, feelers.

107. Asino ti nabiag a togtogaoanna ti ngeoatma?

(Iloc.) Corita

What living thing sits on its mouth? Corita

108. Ania iti parsua ni Apo Dios nga pispisi iti baguina?

(Iloc.) Dadali What creature of our Lord God is but a half-body? Flounder

109. Nag saeng si pusong, sa ibabao ang gatong.

(Tag.) Bibingea The clown cooked rice with the fire above. Cake

^{110.} Tignan, tignan, bago ngiuitan. (Tag.) Mais

Look at it first, before making a face at it. Corn Refers to eating it from the cob. 111. Piña piña marabotinia no aoan dayta matayca. (Iloc.) Bagas Piña piña marabotinia, If there is none you will die. Rice 112. Siasino ngata ti nagbuniag a daga? (Iloc.)Asin What earth has been baptised? Salt 113. Aniat cangatoan a recado? Asin (Iloe.) What is the best spice? Salt 114. Perlas yang maningning a ibat qung mina, nung mibalic ya qung penibatana matda ing ningning na. Asin (Pamp.) A. sparkling pearl that came from the mine, in going to its source loses its brilliancy. Salt The original source was the sea; but in water salt dissolves.

Fruit.

115. Matebtibonec malimtimbocol bagobagooay tapuco anbalbalangay dalem.

> (Pang.) Atsuete Round, plump; hairy outside; red inside. Atsuete

A red fruit used for seasoning fish.

116. Ulo ng principe tinadtad ng ispile. (Tag.) Bunga ng bangcol Head of a prince stuck full of pins. Bangcol

It is like a round ball stuck with pins.

117. Dinan yan penalsay Dios ya loab
tod tabla it say paoay toel equet.
(Pang.)Cabatite

What creature of God is smooth

inside but like a net outside? • A fruit. Cabatite

118. Agbibitin a sinanlagangan.

(Iloc.) Damortis Hanging like a pot-rest.

Camachilis (fruit)

119. Balay ni Santa Ana naliemut ti caramba.

(Iloc.)

Niog

Santa Ana's house is surrounded by a jar. Cocoanut

120. Langit ngato, langit baba, danom ti tengana.

(Iloc.,-also Pang., Tag.)

Niog

Sky above, sky below, water in the middle. Cocoanut

121. Danum sadi Minimin, di mastrec ti angin.

> (Iloc.) Niog The water of Minimin, the wind cannot reach it. Cocoanut

122. Sang bata pa maniuang, anay sang tigulang na matamboc.

(Bis.) Lubi When young he is lean, but when he becomes old he is fat. Cocoanut

The meat of the cocoanut grows in thickness.

123. Tatlong bundok ang tinibag bago dumating nang dagat.

> (Tag.) Niog Three mountains were blown down before they reached the sea.

> > Cocoanut

The husk, the shell, and the meat are passed to reach the water within.

124. Pispisi a dalayap nagcatlo nagcapat.

> (Iloc.) Buquel ti capas A half-lemon divides into three or four. Fruit of cotton

125. Adda maysa nga banga nga bassit; Napno ti bato nga babassit.

> (Iloc.,—also Pang.) Bayabas Here is a little pot; it is full of small stones. Guava

126. Aling cacania dito sa mundo ang nacalabas ang buto?

(Tag.) Kasoy Which of his brothers in this world has his bones outside? Kasoy A fruit, the hard seed of which projects entirely beyond its outer surface.

127. Isang ungoy nakanpo sa lusong. (Tag.) Kasoy One monkey sitting on a mortar.

Kasoy

The seed of the *balubad* or Kasoy suggests the figure.

128. Babuy sa pulo, ang balahibu ay paco.

(Tag.) Langea Wild hog, whose hairs are nails.

Langea

129. Pobre ti rabaona mayaman ti onegna.

(Iloc.) Langea

Poor outside, rich within. Langca

130. Tinadtad ti rabaona, lauya ti onegna.

(Iloc.,—also Pang.) Langca Minced outside; *lauya* within.

Langca

Lauya; meat on bones, thoroughly cooked in water with vinegar and spices. Langca is a large sort of breadfruit.

131. Agbibitin nga oging.

(Iloc.,—also Pang.) Longboy Charcoal hanging. Longboy A plum-like fruit.

132. Adda inbitin co nga langdet tangtangaden ti baboaquet.

(Iloc.) Longboy I hang up a chopping-block: the old women look up at it. Longboy 133. Hindi hayop, hindi tao, Nag dadamit ng de pano. Mabalo (Tag.) Not an animal, not a man, Yet it is clad in velvet. Mabalo A fruit somewhat like a peach. 134. Agbibiten a puso. (Iloc.) Manga A heart hanging. Mango 135. Isang cabang señorito, pulus may sombrero. Bunga (Tag.) 'A group of little gentlemen, all with their hats. Palmnuts 136. Bahay ni sta, ana pumong punu nang bala. (Tag.) Papaya Santa Ana's house is full of bul-Papava lets. The papaya contains abundance of round, shining, black seeds the size of buckshot or larger. 137. Metung a bulsa mitmu yang paminta Kapaya (Pamp.)

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A pocket full of peppercorns.

Papaya

The round black seeds of the papaya are the peppercorns.

138. Abongnin Doña Maria alietob na botilla.

> (Pang.) Apayas Doña Maria's house is surrounded by a bottle. Papaya

139. Balay ni Santa Maria nalicmut ti espada.

(Iloc.,—also Pang., Gad., Bis.) Piña

Santa Maria's house is surrounded by swords. Pineapple

140. Señora a nasam-sam-it addat oneg ti siit.

(Iloc.)

Piña

A sweet lady among the thorns. Pineapple

141. Isang dalagang may corona at caloob saan ay may mata.

> (Tag.) Piña The lady with a crown has eyes everywhere. Pineapple

142. Agbibiten a danog. (Iloc.) Santol A fist hanging.

Santol

143. Bahay ni Sang Gabriel, punong puno nang barel.

> (Tag.) Lucban San Gabriel's house is full of guns. Shaddock

Furniture.

144. Con adlao naga uba, pero con gabi naga saya.

> (Bis.) Catre: mosquitero During the day she is naked, but at night she puts on her skirt.

> > Bed; mosquito bar

Games.

145. Aso co sa pantalan, lumucso nang pitong balon, umuli nang pitong gubat, bago nag tanao dagat.

> (Tag.) Sungkahan My dog from the wharf jumped over seven wells, jumped again over seven forests, before it saw Mancala the sea.

This well-known game is played upon a

board in which a number of round pits are scooped out; two lines of seven of these are placed side by side.

Greeting.

146. Bumile ako nang bigas, bigas din ang ibinayad.

(Tag.) Ang pagbibigay nang magandang arao o gabi sa kanino man.

I bought rice with rice. The exchange of greeting—good morning or good night.

Hammock.

- 147. Taray nga taray di met macaalis. (Iloc.) Indayon Running and running, but it cannot go away. Hammock
- 148. Adda caballoc a labang agsinanpontol panalian.

(Iloc.)IndayonI have a gray horse;I can halterhim at both ends.Hammock

Heavenly bodies.

149. Kabac na niog magdamag na kinayod.

(Tag.)

Buan

Half-a-cocoanut, retreating slowly all night. Moon

150. Kabaac na niog, magdamag na ipod nang ipod.

(Tag.) Buan A half-cocoanut, scraped the whole night. Moon

The moon keeps freshly white, like cocoanut meat just scraped.

151. Sancagalip a rabong sila oanna amin a lobong.

(Iloc.) Bulan A half section of a bambu shoot illuminates the whole world. Moon

152. Adda pisi a dalayap nga incalie; tal-lo a papadi dina macali.

- , (Iloc.) Bulan I planted a half-lemon; three priests cannot dig it up. Moon
- 153. Letrang C a maging O, O maging C.

(Pamp.,—also Tag.) Bulan The letter C becomes O, O becomes C. The Moon 154. Sim-migpatae ti tanobong silaoco a nagodong; sim-migpatae ti alodig, silaoco nga nagaoid.

> (Iloc.) Bulan quen bituen I chop a *tanobong* for light when I go to town; I chop an *alodig* for light when I go home.

Moon and stars A *tanobong* is a sort of bambu; *alodig* is a small bush.

155. Adda maysa nga dalayap imporoac co idiay tayac no may bagam cucuanac.

> (Iloc.) Bulan There was a lemon which I threw out into the wide plain. Guess it and I shall be yours. Moon

156. Ako ay naghasik nang mais, pagka umaga ay palis.

(Tag.) BituinI sowed maize grains; in the morning they were swept away. StarsThe stars, grains of maize, disappear with the dawn.

157. Sangaplato nga busi maoarasanna amin ti inilinili.

(Iloc.) Bituen
A plate of roasted rice can be spread all over the town. Stars
158. Mayaquit alila nung ing sumbu macaslag ya, dapot nung capilan milaco ya carin la paquit.

(Pamp.) Batuin at aldo When the lamp is shining they can scarcely be seen, but when it is taken away they become visible.

Stars and sun 159. Abong nen Don Juan agnalocasan. (Pang.) Agueo Don Juan's house, you cannot open. Sun

160. Caoayan queling agnataquiling. (Pang.) Agueo You cannot look directly at *caoayan queling*. Sun A sort of bambu, of great diameter.
161. Isbu ti andidit di masirip.

(Iloc.) Ynit *Andidit's* urine cannot be looked at. Sun

The andidit is a cricket.

162. Kung ako ay iyong pakatitigan pagkita sa akiy di mapapalaran. (Tag.) Arao If you look at me, you cannot see me. Sun

163. Nagmulaac iti saba idiay daya saan a nagbunga ta naabac ti cuenta, nagmulaac iti niog idiay laud saan a nagugut ta naabac iti panonotna. (Iloc.) Ynit quen bulan I planted a banana in the east and

it did not fruit for it lost the count and I planted a cocoanut in the west and it did not sprout because it lost its mind. Sun and moon ole.

Hole.

164. Tapat nga guindadugangan

tapat nga nagamag-an.

Buho

The larger it grows, the lighter it becomes. A hole

House: and parts.

(Bis.)

165. Dinan yan penalsay Dios ya say quenantoit maengal?

(Pang.) Abong What creature of God, having eaten makes a noise? House [64] 166. Ania iti pinarsua ni Apo Dios nga agtagtagari ti quin nanna? (Iloc.) Balay What creature of Lord God has talking its food? House

167. Ania iti parsua ni Apo Dios nga umona nga agsilia sa agap-ap.

> (Iloe.) Balay What creature of Lord God puts the saddle first and then the blanket? House

The roof of a house is built before the walls.

168. Naligo ang Kapitan

hindi binasa ang tiyan.

(Tag.) Sahig

The Captain took a bath, but did not wet his belly. Floor

When being scrubbed with water, the bambu is as promptly dry as a duck's back.

168. Hindi tayop, hindi tao nag ngangalan nang Tranquilino.

(Tag.) Trangk'a nang pinto Not animal, not man; its name is Tranquilino. Lock of door Mere resemblance in sound between [65] Tranquilino, a personal name, and Trangka—a lock.

169. Ang sino ang naunang umakiat siyang nahuli sa lahat.

(Tag.) Pagaatip He who climbed first became the last. Nipa thatching In roofing the work begins at the lower part and ends at the ridge.

170. Adda ay ayatec nga gayyem (amigo) ngem saanco a cayat a casango.

(Iloc.) Adigi

I have a loving friend but I do not wish to face him. Post

A post in the house construction. Mothers punish naughty children by standing them in the corner facing the post.

171. Quimmali simmari quimmagat.

(Iloc.) Adigi Set into the ground, breaks through, and bites. Post

A post in house construction meets the requirement. It is firmly planted, penetrates flooring, and clutches and holds a rafter or other pole. 172. Atin cung metung a caballero pabanua yang makakabayo, dapot eya mamako.

(Pamp.)

Pakabayu ning bubungan I have a horseman who has been riding for a year but has not gone a bit. Rider of bambu, over the ridge to keep the nipa from being blown away.

173. Balubog nang ama mo, pina arawanco.

> (Tag.) Palupo nang babay I let the sunshine on your father's back; i. e. the sun shines on your father's back.

> The long poles at the roof crest of the house.

These poles are the "father's back;" they are directly exposed to the sun's rays.

174. No omoli baro, no omolog balo. (Iloc.) Atep When it ascends it is new (young); When it goes down it is a widow.

Roof

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- 175. Minalemac nga agtacop binigatae met nga agpiguis. (Iloc.) Tandoc
 I mend it every evening, I tear it every morning. Window
- 176. Na labi mansacabac; no agueo manpilatac. (Pang.) Ventana At night closed; in day open. Window
- 177. Abosta kippit, Comalcalipkip. (Iloc.) Riquep Although thin, it can slide. Window shutter

Implements.

178. Ypacapetco toy colisipco dita bocotmo maimbagan ta nasaquitmo. (Iloc.) Tandec
I place my colisipco upon your back and it cures your illness.

Cupping-horn Colisipco is a slender bambu sucking tube. Tandoc is a piece of horn for blood-letting. 179. Adda maysa nga amigoc no icaraed cod toy olic, maornos datoy booc. (Iloc.) Sagaysay I have a friend and when I arrange my head, my hair is in order. Comb

180. Aniat ina ni saba? (Iloc.) Ni daga Quet ania met ti amana? Barrita What is the mother of the banana? The earth

And what its father? Digging-stick

181. Tombong con tombong manpilicay gustum.

(Pang.) Agniob Intestine (gut) choose what you want. Fire-blower

It is a simple tube of bambu.

182. Magdala ya laman mete, mamita yang laman mabie.

> (Pamp.) Mamaduas ing apana ating asan a dumamit. He carries the flesh of the dead, but seeks the flesh of the living. Fishline

183. Banga sadi Sinait,

naapinan ti nangisit.

(Iloc.)

Tintiroan

A pot from Sinait,

lined with black. Ink bottle

184. Adda bassit nga quita nga casla tisa ngem mabalinna nga ayoanan ti maysa nga balasang nga casla mangayoan a cas maysa nga leon. (Iloc.) Tulbec There is a little thing like a piece

of erayon, but it can guard a lady like a lion. Key

185. Hindi madangkal, hindi madipa, pinag- tutuangan nang lima.

> (Tag.) Carayom You can not span it, you cannot measure it by your outstretched arms, and it is being carried by five. Needle

186. Begut ne ing andang tinuki ya ing ubingan.

(Pamp.) Carayum ampong sinulad.

He pulled out a stick and it was followed by a snake.

Needle and thread

187. Na una ang trozo sa manghihila.

(Tag.,-also Bis., Pang.)

Carayom

The log comes first, then the hauling cable. Needle (and thread)

188. Tinoduc ni ampalocneng ti obet ni ampatang quen.

(Iloc.) Dagum The soft one is thrust through the anus of the hard one.

Needle and thread

189. Ania nga abut iti tacopan iti iapadana nga abut? (Iloc.) Iquet

> What hole do you mend with holes? Net

190. Magmagnaac mangibatbatiac ti magnaac agbalbalicas.

(Iloc.) Pluma I am walking leaving tracks where I walk. Pen

191. Mangipatacderac ti adigi madomadoma a corte.

> (Iloc.) Pluma I set up a post, variously cut (fashioned). Pen

The pen of this riddle is the old-time quill pen.

- 192. Con uyatan naga lacat; con buhi-an naga liguid. (Bis.) Pluma When held it goes; When let loose it lies down. Pen
 193. Bolong na unas
 - mancancanioas.

(Pang.) Catli Sugarcane leaves moving crisscross. Scissors

194. Pukeng payat nangangagat.

(Tag.)

Gunteng

A narrow vagina bites. Scissors

195. Maysa nga colibangbang tinaoentaoen nga mangan.

(Iloc.) Raquem There is a butterfly which is eating every year. Rice knife The small knife used to cut rice. Its shape suggests that of a butterfly.

196. Diac maquita nacamolagatac; no abbongac maquitac.

(Iloc.) Anteojos I cannot see although my eyes are [72] wide open; if I cover, I can see. Spectacles

Insects: and other invertebrates.

197. Diotay pa si compare cahibalo na mag saca sa lubu.

> (Bis.) Subay My *compadre* is tiny, yet he knows how to climb up a cocoanut tree. Ant

198. Bahay ni Man Tute haligue ay bali-bali.

(Tag.) Alimango House of Mr. Tute, whose rafters are twisted. Crab

199. Nano nga pispis nga ua-ay pag lupad, may pac-pac cag may balahibu, cag naga butu.

> (Bis.) Ulang What bird is it, having wings cannot fly, which makes its nest and hatches its young under its wings? Crayfish

200. No umolog maturog; no umoli tomacqui.

(Iloc.,—also Pang.) Alinta When it goes down, it sleeps; when it goes up it drops waste matter. Earthworm

- 201. Magmagna mamingpingqui. (Iloc.) Colalanti Walking, it strikes fire. Makes a spark. Fireflies
- 202. Con sa latagon palanacal; con sa balay magansal; pero con sa mesa ma ugdang. (Bis.) Lango Out in the field she talks too much; In the house she makes much noise; But when at table she is quiet.

Fly

203. Ang patay nag bata sing buhi, ang buhi nag bata cag ang iya bata iya guin bilin sa patay, cag ang patay amo ang nag buhi sang bata sang buhi.

(Bis.) Langao, ulud, carne
A living thing left its young to a dead thing; this dead thing gave nourishment to the young of the living thing. Fly, maggots, meat
204. Siasino iti parsua ni apotayo nga Dios nga casla agropropa a caballo

quet iti payacna casla bulong iti caoayan?

(Iloc.) Dudon What creature of our Lord God has a face like a horse and wings like bambu leaves? Grasshopper

205. Adda maysa nga tumatayal yanna amin nga lugar uray no tayac quen cabaquiran, quet iti rupana rupa iti baca, iti tengnguedna tengngued iti caballo, iti barocongna barocong iti tao, iti payacna casla bolong iti caoayan iti ipusna casla uleg, iti sacana casla saca iti tocling.

> (Iloc.) Oasay-oasay There is a flying thing, which stays anywhere,—even in the forest and tayac; its face is the face of a cow, its neck the neck of a horse, the breast the breast of a man, the wing is like the leaf of a bambu, his tail resembles a snake, and his feet look like the feet of a bird.

Grasshopper

206. Madilim na bundoe hayop na walan buto.

> (Tag.) Cutu

Dark mountain-boneless animal.

Louse

207. Atimon sa cagulangan ua-ay alipopo-an.

> Lusa (Bis.)

207. Atimon sa cagulangan ua-ay alipo-Lusa (Bis.) Melon of the wilderness without a Nit

- 208. Ating metung a cacanan ing queang pengan marayu ya qung atian. Paro (Pamp.) There is a certain thing to eat; its fleshiness is far from its belly. Shrimp
- 209. Ing labuad nang quebaitan yang ena na buring balicad, uling ing bie na carin mipalamang.

Yamuc (Pamp.) He does not like to return to the land where he was born for there he will meet his fate. Mosquito Born of water; he drowns in water.

stem.

210. Aling hayop dito sa mundo, ang inilalakad ay ulo?

(Tag.)
Suso

What animal in this world walks with his head?
Snail
211. Maysa a naparato ti catayna pag-

silona. (Iloc.) Laoalaoa A joker uses his spittle for a snare. Spider

212. Ating palacio mitmu yang cuartu, balang metung a cuartu maqui metung yang curatu.

> (Pamp.) Calaba ning tamumu, o panilan.

There is a palace full of rooms, each containing a priest.

Honeycomb

213. Aroi Dom Pedro, hindi macolabas sa carcel?

(Tag.) Tinik Oh! Don Pedro, why don't you get

out of prison? Sting Tinik means either a string of an insect or the thorn of a plant. It is the sting or thorn which here is considered in prison and exhorted to escape. Lamp.

214. Metung a butil a pale kitmu ne ing bale.

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(Pamp.) Sumbu A single grain of rice, filled the whole house. A lamp

215. Memala ya ing labak meto ya ing tugak.

(Pamp.) Sumbu The swamp dried up and the frog died. An oil lamp

216. Adda lognac quen adda met agtaytayab daytoy nga agtaytayab aggiyan ditoy nga lognac quet no mamamagaan daytoy nga lognaquen matay met datoy agtaytayaben.

> (Iloc.) Lamparaan There is a pond and a bird; this bird lives in the pond. When the pond dries up, the bird dies. Lamp

Love.

217. Aniat casam itan ti nasamit? (Iloc.) Ayat What is the sweetest of the sweet? Love 218. Ania ti ayat nga agmalmalem? (Iloc.) Ti apagcascasar What love lasts all day? Of those just married

219. Ramaycot panagaladco luac ti panagsibugco.

> (Iloc.) Panangasaoa I fence with my fingers; I water with my tears. To marry

220. Nag molaac iti masetas ditoy locong iti dacolapco iti pinag si bogco toy loac quet iti pinamorosco toy matac.

(Iloc.) Nagayanayat
I planted a plant in the midst of the palm of my hand, I watered it with my tears, I gathered it with my eyes. Loving each other
221. Acoi nag tanim nang dayap sa

gitna nang dagat marami ang nahanap, iisa ang naka palad.

> (Tag.,—also Iloc.) Dalaga I planted a lemon tree in the middle of the sea many sought it only one found it. Girl

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222. Oalay saquey ya dalayap temmobod puegley na dayat amayamay ya manped peraod sac sacquey so acagaoat.

> (Pang.) Panangasasa There is a lemon-tree growing in the middle of the sea; many people desire to take it, but cannot; only one person can succeed.

> > Your sister

To be married.

Mat.

223. Mig quera cu babo ebus,

lalam sasa cu me tudtud.

(Pamp.) Dase I lay down upon the buri, under the nipa I slept. Petate The sleeping mat is laid down upon the floor (of *buri*); the roof is of *nipa*.

224. Sa gabey dagat sa arao ay bumbong.

(Tag.) Baneg At night it is a sea, in the day it is the bambu carry-tube. Petate The *petate* is the sleeping mat of rushes; in the day-time it is rolled up and set away; at night it is unrolled and spread upon the floor. The word sea is often used for any extended or flat surface.

225. No aldao tubong no rabii dadali. (Iloc.) Icamen If day a tube; if night a flounder. Sleeping mat—petate

Mirror.

226. Quitquitaec quet quitaennac; no cataoaac cataoaan nac.

(Iloc.) Espejo I am looking at it, and it looks at me; if I laugh, it laughs. Mirror Musical Instruments.

(Iloe.) Tambor Guerret crying, crying guerret.

Drum

Guerret is a section cut transversely from a fish. It has somewhat the shape of a drum.

228. Ania ti pinarsua ni Apo Dios nga iti ngioat na adda ti tian-na maymaysa taequiag na, quen ti ramay na adda ti bocot ti dacolapna, quen naquinruar ti baguisna.

(Iloe.)

Guitarra

^{227.} Guerret nga agpucpuc-cao, agpucpuc-cao a guerret.

There is a creature made by Lord God whose mouth is in his belly; he has one arm and his fingers are in his back; and his intestines are outside. Guitar

229. Secal que batal legari que atian, ginulisac yang masican.

(Pamp.) Dibil I choked him, I sawed him across

the belly, he screamed furiously.

Violin

Nature Elements.

230. Bibingca nang hari, hindi mo mahati. Tubig (Tag.) The king's cake, you cannot divide Water it 231. No tinagbat, nagpiglat. (Iloc.) Danom If you chop it, it heals at once. Water 232. Ing inda maging anak ya, ing anak maging inda ya. Yelo (Pamp.) The mother becomes the daughter and the daughter becomes the mother. Water, ice

Number.

233. Siac nacaquitaac iti siam abilit quet pinaltogac iti lima mano iti natedda?

(Iloc.) Lima I saw nine birds; I shot five of them; how many were left? Five The dead ones: the rest flew away.

Occupations.

234. Ang madamu guina dugangan, pero ang diotay guina buhinan.

(Bis.) Ang pag limas sang tubi sa sulod sang sacayan.

The greater is increased, the smaller is diminished.

When water is pumped out of a boat.

235. Ang iya olo sapat, ang iya lanao cahoy cag ang iya icog tauo.

(Bis.) Carabao arado cog tauo.

His head is an animal, his body is wood and his tail is man. Plowing

^{236.} Adda tallo nga caquita; dadiay immona magmagna nga aoan tagarina;

dadiay maicadua mangmangan quet;

dadiay maicatlo magmagna nga tomanagari.

(Iloc.) Agarado There are three things; the first is walking without talking; the second is eating; the third is walking and talking. Plowing

The carabao, the plow, and the man.

237. Manoc cong pute, nag talon sa pusale.

> (Tag.) Hugas bigas My white chicken jumped into the puddle. Rice-washing

The water that runs from rice washing is white; it falls from the kitchen down into the accumulated water under the house.

238. Ania ti aramid ti babay a dina malpas?

> (Iloc.) Abel What woman's work is never finished? Weaving

There is always a lower edge which cannot be woven.

Persons.

239. Acoi nag tanem nang sile sa tabe nang catre, ang idinileg coi, pure ang ibinungay diamante. (Tag.) Bata
I planted a pepper near a bed, I watered it with honor,

it yielded a precious jewel.

Baby

240. Con mag atubang si tatay; apang con mag talicud si nanay.

(Bis.) Insik If it faces you it is your father; but if it turns its back it is your mother. Chinaman

Seen from before the general appearance is that of a man; from behind, a woman.

241. Taung inucul dang loco, dapot ing dapat na mibulalag quing yatu.

(Pamp.) Cristobal Colon One whom they thought a fool, his work became world-known.

Columbus

242. Nag habla ang may sala nag tago ang justicia.

(Tag.) Nagevenupisal

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The culprit appears in court, the justice is hidden. The Confessional

The person confessing is plainly seen; the priest receiving the confession is out of sight.

243. Nagmolaac iti pipino idiay arisadsad ti convento

dimet nagbunga ti pipino no di Sto. Cristo.

(Iloc.) Natay I planted a pip near the convent but it did not produce a squash but Sto. Cristo. A dead person

244. Ania ti ringgor nga saan nga agtaud ti dila?

> (Iloc.) Umel What quarrel is not made with the tongue? A dumb man's

245. Sin-o ang napatay nga guin lubung sa tiyan sang iya nanay? (Bis.) Pari

Who died, who was buried in his mother's bosom? Friar

He was buried in the church.

246. Duro co nga dalagan pero ua-ay aco dinalaganan?

⁽Bis.) Naga sacay sa duyan [86]

Who was running fast but did not move from where he started?

One in a hammock

247. Ing makalub makalual ya, ing makalual makalub ya.

(Pamp.) Ing inda ampo ing anak.

What was exposed is inside, what was inside is exposed.

Mother and babe, when the latter is baptized.

The mother stays at home in the house.

248. Pinonggosco a pinongos bino caycayan iti Dios.

> (Iloc.) Masicog I grasped and grasped and God loosed it. Pregnant woman

249. Ania ti anac a mangisquis quen inana.

(Iloc.) Ti mangrarit ti piracna.

What child shaves his mother?

Who spends her money

250. Aniat baybay a di aglippias? (Iloc.) Ti Quinaquirmet What sea does not overflow? The stingy man

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Though he has abundance he gives out none.

251. Con tulcon nimo uala sia pag pahuay sang lacat apang uala man sing limacatan.

(Bis.) Manoghabol She appears to be always walking, but after all is still in her place as before.

A weaver

Plants.

252. Deli queenteng kaballero rianu mang tiknang an nang palacio, agad yang malaso.

(Pamp.)

Balite

A gallant horseman causes any castle in which he is, to crumble to pieces. The Balite

This is the great parasitic fig, which encloses other trees in its embrace.

253. Adda maysa nga cayo nga bulong nga bulong di met agsabong; sanga nga sanga dimet agbunga.

> (Iloc.) Caoayan There is a plant that produces leaves after leaves, but no flowers; branches after branches, but no fruit. Bambu •

254. Siroe iti balay ti bacnang di macaycayan. (Iloc.) Bulong ti caoayan Under the bacnang's house it cannot be clean. Bambu leaves

255. Nab-barnasi sin accab-bing-nga udde sicuana.

> (Gad.,—also Iloc., Pang., Bis.) Ufud.

When newly-born, well dressed, but when he gets old he is naked. Bambu shoot

The bud is covered with a down, which disappears.

256. Nang munte ay may tapis, nang lumaki ay bulisles. (Tag.) Caoayan When young she wore a tapis; when grown she is unclad

Bambu shoot The *tapis* is the most characteristic part of the woman's dress. It is a wide band of dark cloth (black or brown) worn over the other clothing, around the whole middle part of the body. 257. Nanganak ang virgen itinapon ang lampen. (Tag.) Sagueng The virgin gave birth to a child and threw away the blanket. Banana

258. Nanganak ang asuang sa tuktok nagdaan.

(Tag.) Sagueng An asuang gave birth to a child from the top. Banana

259. Naguit-log ni cannaoay inocopan ni teg-gaac idi cuan guiaoen ni oac ti nagtaraquen.

(Iloc.) Saba

A stork laid an egg; the crane hatched a lark from it; the crow took care of the young. Banana 260. Sancadaoa sangalabba.

> (Iloc.) Sangcabulig a saba A seed-bearing stem; one fills a basket. Bunch of bananas

261. Macagto sa simbahan si Mary, pito o valo ang iya saya.

(Tag.) Puso Mary is going to church having seven or eight shirts. Banana bud The bud is wrapped or folded within a number of bracts.

262. Adda puso a maysa dagat nag apuanna alupasit naglasatanna.

(Iloc.) Puso ti saba There is a heart that came from the earth and pushed up through *alupasit*. The heart of the banana *Alupasit* is banana fibre.

263. Caballo moreno umosoc idiay ngato. (Iloc.) Sabonganay ti saba The red horse comes out upward. Banana flowers

264. Ista co sa Sapa-sapa sapin-sapin ang taba.

 (Tag.) Saha nang.saguing My fish in Sapa-sapa has manifold layers of fat. Stem of banana
 The stem of a banana cut through shows inwrapping layers, not unlike fat.

265. Dasug ca kaka, libutad ya y inda. (Pamp.)

> Saging ampo ding sui na Move on my brother, let mother be in the middle.

A banana plant and its suckers

The new ones displace the older ones, pushing them outward.

266. Ang puno lubi;

ang dahon espada;

ang bunga bala.

(Bis.) Cahoy ngaburi The trunk cocoanut;

the leaves swords;

the fruit bullets. Buri palm 267. Angibitinac na liquen tangtanga yey mamasiquen.

> (Pang.) Camantilis I was hung by a potring; the old men looked up at me.

> > Camachili

The pendent fruit suggests the riddle.

- 268. Nano nga sapat nga ang iya palod hayang pero ang iya tudlo culub? (Bis.) Paclang sang lubi What animal is it which has its palm upside up but its fingers upside down? Cocoanut leaves
 260. Payung y Santa Maria ammana
- 269. Payung y Santa Maria ammena mabata.

(Gad.) Tafal Saint Mary's umbrella cannot be wetted. Gabi This is the cultivated plant commonly known as *taro*. Its great leaf sheds water perfectly.

270. No malipatam maca-alaca; quet no malaguipmo dica maca-ala. (Iloc.) Poriquet==amorsico If you do not remember, you get; but if you do remember, you do not get. Grass-burs

271. Agsabong dina met bonga agsanga isut bongana.

(Iloc.) Mais It produces a flower but it is not its fruit; it produces branches which are its fruit. Maize

272. Nag tapis nang nag tapis nacalitao ang bulbolis.

(Tag.) Mais She wore and wore her *tapis* yet her pubic hair was displayed. Maize

The green husks are considered the *tapis*, or wrap about the mid-body; the silk appearing from the husk wrapping is the public hair.

- 273. Alo-divino de gracia malayo ang bulaklak sa bunga.

 (Tag.)
 Mais

 Of all divine gifts it is the only plant whose flower is far from the fruit.
- 274. Tite nang Ingles, puno nang gales. (Tag.) Mais The Englishman's —— is full of pustules. Maize; ear
- 275. Siasino iti pinarsua ni Apo Dios nga umuna nga matay santo agbonga?

(Iloc.,—also Pang.) Sarguelas What thing our Lord God made dies first and then fruits?

Plum tree

276. Uala sa langit, uala sa lupa, ang dahon ay sariwa?

(Tag.) Quiapo It is not in heaven, it is not on earth, its leaves are fresh.

Quiapo

The water-lettuce; it covers the surface of quiet spots in rivers.

277. Cung hindi lamang si tagabundok si tagalati ay mahuhulog.

(Tag.) Iyantok at parvid But for the one living in the mountain the one living in the swamp would fall. Nipa and rattan The rattan (growing in the mountain) is used to lash on the nipa (growing in the swamp) to the house framework.

278. No colditenca matayca quet no adayoanca mabiagea.

(Iloc.) Bainbain If I touch you you will die; but if I get away from you you will live. Sensitive plant

279. Adda maysa a cayo idiay toctoc adda bobonco.

(Iloc.) Silag There is a tree up there and I have a well on it. Silag A sort of palm, the bud is cut out and

a sweet sap secured.

280. Tagbatec ta sacam;

inomec ta daram.

(Iloc.)

Unas

I chop your feet;

I drink your blood.

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Sugarcane

281. Lalabas cu.

tindus daeu

(Pamp.) Sulput I was going out into the field, they pierced me.

A grass with slender and sharp seeds.

282. Pinagsakitan kong aking matuklasan ang bagay na isang ninais makamtan at nang sa pagkita y hindi mapalaran tinaglay-taglay ko hangang kamatayan.

> Tinik (Tag.) I sought a thing I wished to get, and as I could not find it I kept it until my death. Spine

283. Adda tal-lo a Princesas sag-gaysa ti coartoda ngem saan da nga agquiquita.

Tagunbao (Iloc.) There are three princesses; each has a separate room and they cannot see each other. Tagunboa

A shrub used for hedges, with a tripartite pod or capsule.

284. Ania iti mula a uray bolding mailasinna?

(Iloc.)

Siit

What thing is blind but can select? Thorn

Qualities.

285. Aniat cala-adan ti bomaro atao? (Iloc.) Ti quinasuquer What is the worst disfigurement for a young man? Disobedience

Relationship.

286. Ano ang itat awag mo sa biyanang babayi nang asawa nang kapatid mo?

> (Tag.) Ina What will you call the mother-inlaw of your sister's husband?

> > Mother

287. Ang amain kong buo ay mayr isang kapatid na babayi, ngunit siyai hindi ko naman ali. Sino suja? (Tag.) Aking ina My uncle has a sister but she is not my aunt. Who is she? My mother

288. Ang mga babaying A at B ay nakasalubong sa daan ng dalawang lalaki; at nagwika si A; naito na ang ating.mga ama, mga ama nang ating mga anak; at mga tunay nating.

(Tag.)

Ang ama ni A ay napakasal kay B at ang ama ni B ay napakasal kay A at nagkaroon sila nang tigisang anak.

Ladies A and B met two men and said, "There come our fathers, fathers of our sons and our own husbands."

A's father married with B and B's father with A, and each of them had a child.

289. Nang malapos nang madalao nang isang lalaki ang isang bilango ay tinanong nang bantay; ano mo ba ang tawong iyon? Kapatid mo ba o ano? Ang sagot nang bilango ay ito; akay ualang kapatid, ni pamangkin ni amain, ni nuno, ni apo, ni kahit kaibigan; ngungit ang ama nang tawong ujan, ay anak nang anak nang aking ama. Ano nang bilango ang tawong iyon. (Tag.) Anak

After a man visited a prisoner.

the guard asked him—"is that man your brother, or what?" The prisoner's answer was, "I have no brother, no uncle, no nephew, no grandfather, neither grandson nor friend; but that man's father is my father's son. Who was that man? Son

Religious.

290. Oalayan pinalsay Dios ya amayamay iran sanaagui et sacsaquey so pait da.

(Pang.,—also Bis.) Colintas Many of them, brothers—but they have only one bodytube. Beads 291. Adda tal-lo gasut a bacae maymaysat nanglidingae.

(Iloc.) Cuentas I have three hundred cattle, with a single nose cord. Beads 292. Nacno agapaldua.

(Pang.) Simbaan Only half full. Church 293. Napuno pero ua-ay mag tunga. (Bis.) Simbahan They said it was full but it was half-full. Church

- 294. Idi nagcasar ni Ina quen ni Ama avanac pay a dara ngem idi nagbuniag ni Apo siac ti namadrino. (Iloc.) Cristo When my father and mother were married I was not yet in the womb, but when my grandfather was baptized I was his godfather. Christ
- 296. Dua ti taquiagna, maysat sacana, adda olo aoan matana.

(Iloc.) Cruz Two arms, one leg and a head, but no eyes. Cross

297. Tatlo ang botones, apat ang ohales.

(Tag.,—also Bis.) Cristo Three buttons, four holes.

Crucifix

298. May isang batang lalaque, umakyat sa camachile nang hindi ma ca puede, likod ang idinale.

> (Tag.) Si Cristo There is a boy climbed up a *camachili* tree; when he could not stand it he climbed on his back.

> > Crucifix

299. Maysa a cayo nagango idiay poona nabasa idiay tingana, nagango met ti ngodona.

> (Iloc.) Sto Cristo A tree dry at the foot, wet in the middle, dry also above.

Christ, i. e., crueifix 300. Aramid ti masirib canen ti nalaing, amin a macaquita pasig amin a logpi.

> (Iloc.) Ostia Work of a wise man, eaten by a wise man; all who see are lame.

The host 301. Akoi nag tanim nang sicolo sa gitna nang convento, ibinunga av si Cristo.

> (Tag.) Hostia I planted a *sicolo* in the midst of the convent; it bore Christ for fruit. The host

A *sicolo* is a small piece of money; it here relates to the contribution made at communion service.

302. Isang tubong sinanduyon,

abut sa langit ang dahon.

(Tag.) Panalangin

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A sugarcane without joints, whose leaves reach heaven. Prayer 303. Nang maitayo na yaong hangang baywang nagbitiu ng pawang kalunkut lunkutan.

(Tag.)

Ang pitong wikang iniaaral nang pari sa Viernes Santo.

After he hid from his feet to his waist he gave very sad things.

The preaching in the pulpit by a priest about the seven utterances of Christ on Good Friday.

304. Aquinngatot cadsaaran, aquinbabat bobengan.

(Iloc.) Polpito The floor is higher, the roof lower. Pulpit

i. e. than that of the building in which it stands.

305. Sag magkakapatid na pitong sin liyag ako ang naunang nagkitang liwanag. At ako rin naman yaong nagkapalad na tawaging bunso sa kanilang lahat.

(Tag.) Ang pitong linggo nang Cuaresma.

Seven brothers are we; the firstborn was I, but I am the youngest of all.

The seven weeks of Quaresma.

306. Asin ti yanti espiritu iti bagui ? (Iloc.) Aquincatiquid nga abaga.

Where is the spirit in the body?

In the left shoulder

In making the sign of the cross the word spirit comes when the left shoulder is pointed to.

307. Adda pitu a botonisco; maymaysat pinat pategco.

(Iloc.)DomingoI have seven buttons;I like onebest.Sunday

308. Pitu casiglot maymaysat nairut. (Iloc.) Domingo Seven twined (''twisted''), only one tight. Sunday

309. Contirad contibong; bandera ti lobong. (Iloc.) Torre Sharp and long; flag of the world. Tower 310. Caoayan bayog ag nayogayog. (Pang.) Torre *Caoayan bayog** you cannot shake it. Tower

*A species of bambu; firm, slender and high.

311. Mayroon akong pitong bunga nang kohol ibinigay co sa iyo ang anim at ang isang natira sa akin ay ibig mo pang kunin.

(Tag.) Ang pitong arao nang isang linggo.

I have seven oranges. I gave you six and you want to take the remaining one.

The seven days of the week 312. Minagaling pa ang basag cay

sa baong ualang lamat.

(Tag.)

Ang sabi sa evangelio ni Cristo ay ganito. Hindi rao sia naparito o nanoag dito sa lupa para sacupin ang mga banal cung di ang macasalanan.

Better the broken piece than the whole without crack.

In the gospel Christ said that he did not

come upon earth for the righteous but for the sinner.

313. Cung uala cay magbigay ca at cung meroon ay huagna.

(Tag.)

Nung ang nga fariseo ay nacahuli nang mangangaluniang babae ay i ni habla cay Cristo, at ang canilung sabi, Hindi po ba maestro na sabi sa ley ni Moises na sino mang mahuli sa pangangalunia ay pupuculin nang bato hangan sa mamatay. Ang isinagot ni Cristo; sino mang ualang sala ay cumuha nang bato at puclin na.

Give if you have none; if you have don't give.

When the Pharisees caught a woman in adultery, they took her before Christ. They said, "what sentence do you give to those taken in adultery, since in the law of Moses it is commanded that the woman taken in adultery shall be stoned until she die." Christ answered, "Let him which is without sin among you cast the first stone." 314. Humiling ang hari sa canyang alagad nang uala sa kanyat di pa natatangap, ang hiningan naman ay dagling nag-gaoad nang sa boong yatu'y di pa natutuklas.

(Tag.)

Ang pagbibinyag ni San Juan Bautista cay Cristo.

The King asked from his soldier what he had *not*, and the soldier gave him what was not in the world.

The Baptism by St. John Baptist of Christ.

315. Nang mabasag ang bote

lalong na paka buti.

(Tag.) Mahal na Virgen The bottle became better when broken. The Virgin Mary "When Mary was yet unmarried and Christ had not yet been born she was not considered very sacred; we say the bottle was not yet broken. When she was married to Joseph and Christ was born she became very sacred; so we say that when the bottle was broken the better it became." 316. Nang pitasin ang hinog hilas ang siang nahulog.

(Tag.)

Noong magpapugot si Herodes nang mga bata dahilan sa gusto niang mapatay si Cristo. Napatay ang meroon 1000 bata data puat si Cristo hinde napatay. Sa nacatuid napitas nia ang hilao at at ang hinog ay hindi. Si Cristo sapageat puno nang carumingan ay ipinalagay na hinog at ang niga bata ay hilao sapageat sila ualapang carumungan.

When he plucked the ripe, the unripe fell.

When King Herod wanted to kill Christ, he ordered to kill all children; he thought that if all the children in his country were killed, Christ could not escape. But he did not know how powerful Christ was. So the children who knew nothing (were unripe) fell and Christ (ripe) because he knows everything escaped.

317. Ipinalit ang guinto sa bibinga.

(Tag.)

Ito i nauucol sa pagsacop ni Cristo sa ating casalanan na hindi cailangan sia mamatay masacop lamang ang ating easalanan na siang catulad ng bibinga at ang ca niang pagea Dios na catulad ang guinto. Sand is changed to gold.

This applies to Christ, when he redeemed our sins. He did not value his life but gave it that we might be saved from our sins. His life is gold because he was full of knowledge; he died on account of our sins which are like sand.

Reptiles, etc.

318. Nang munti ay may buntot nang lumakiy napugot.

> (Tag.) Palaca When he was little he had a tail but when he was grown he had none. Frog

319. Adda maysa nga ubing nga adda idiay danum ngem di met uminom. (Iloc.) Tocak There is a boy living in the water who does not drink. Frog

320. Baston ti bacnang saan mo nga maiganan.

(Iloc.,—also Pang.) Uleg The *bacnang's* cane, you cannot hold it. Snake

Bacnang, a man of wealth.

321. No nacariing nacamulagat; no nacaturog nacamuldagat. (Iloc.) Uleg If awake, his eyes wide open; if asleep, his eyes wide open. Snake

322. Anano nga sapat nga con maglacat, dala nia ang iya balay?

(Bis.,—also Pang.) Ba-o What animal carries his house wherever he goes? Turtle

323. Tata a tolay icacangcalinna na balena.

(Gad.) Dagga A man who always carries his house along with him. Turtle

324. Magmagna itugtogotnat balayna. (Iloc.) Pag-ong Walking and walking and carrying his own house. Turtle

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325. Eto na si caca may sunong na dampa.

(Tag.) Pagong Here comes brother with a house over his head. Turtle

326. Magma nagcal-logong no maibagam pag-ong. (Iloc.) Pag-ong Walking, wearing his hat. Turtle

Road.

327. Bulong ti saba umac-acaba;
bulong ti niog umat-atid-dog.
(Ilóc.) Calzada
Leaf of a banana become wider;
leaf of a cocoanut become longer.
Road

328. Nagmolaac iti carabosa iti santac na macada non idiay Manila. (Iloc.) Calzada I planted a calabash; its branches can reach to Manila. Road

Also has for answer, telegraph line.

329. Nan ta ne mac na laver ed Dagupan angad diay lamoto. Calzada (Pang.) Calzada I have planted a betel-tree in Dagupan but its roots reach to here.

Road

Shade, Shadow, etc.

330. No aoan sap**o**lsapolen ngem no adda saan mo met nga alaen.

> (Iloc.) Linong If there is none you are seeking it; if there is some you do not take it. Shade

331. Ania ti umona nga aramiden diay vaca no lumgac ti init?

(Iloc.) Quitaenna diay anninioanna

What is the first thing the cow does when the sun rises?

Looks at its shadow 332. No magnaac iti nasipnget aoan caduac quet no magnaac iti nalaoag adda caduac.

> (Iloc.) Anninioan If I walk in the dark I have no companion; if I walk in the light I have one. Shadow

333. No tilioec tilioennac; no itarayac camatennac.

(Iloc.)

Aninioan

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If I catch, it catches; if I run away it chases me. Shadow

334. Diad ogtoy agueo oalay mapalit con anapuen no na anap co agco alaen.

> (Pang.) Serom At noon I must depart to find; if I can find it, I will not take.

Shadow

335. Milub yang alang liban, linual yang alang liualan.

(Pamp.) Anina tamu a mayayaquit quing salamin.

He came in through no door and went out through no door.

Reflection in a mirror

Smoking.

336. San Fernando at Bakulod sabay na nasunog.

(Tag.) Cigarillo San Fernando and Bacolor were burned at the same time.

Cigarette

The paper and the tobacco are consumed together.

Storm, Sky, etc.

337. Daluang dahon nang pinda-pinda, sing lalapad sing gaganda.

> (Tag.) Langit at lupa Two leaves of pinda-pinda equal in width and beauty.

> > Sky and earth

338. Quinosicus a barraas; no maibagam cucuanac.

(Iloc.) Quimat Twisted like a *barraas*; tell it and I am yours. Lightning The word *barraas* is local. Perhaps the name of some vine.

339. Baston ni San Josep indi ma isip. (Bis.)

Ulan

Saint Joseph's canes cannot be counted. Rain

Drops of rain in a tropical storm may well suggest rods or staves.

340. Buhoe ni Adan, hindi mabilang. (Tag.) Ulan Adam's hair cannot be counted. Rain

- 341. Isbu ti guelang-guelang di mabi-(Iloc.) Tode Guelang-guelang's piss, you cannot count. Rain 342. Vaca co sa Maynila, hangang ditoi, dinig ang unga. (Tag.) Culog My cow in Manila, whose mooing is heard here. Thunder 343. Aniat magna a saan a maquita? (Iloc.) Angin What walks that cannot be seen? Wind
- 344. Etuna-etuna hindi mo pa naquiquita.

(Tag.) Hangin Here it comes, yet you do not see it. Wind

345. Picabaluan de ding malda alang maca ibie uaga.

(Pamp.) Angin He is known everywhere but no one can explain what he is.

Wind

Stove.

346. Tal-lo a pugot natured ti pudut. (Iloc.) Dalican Three ghosts endure much heat.

Stove

The three supports for the pot are meant. It seems that the *pugot* (ghost) is black.

347. Tatlong magkakapatid nagtiliis sa init.

(Tag.) Tungko nang calang Three brothers suffering from the heat. Pot rests

348. Tatlong mag kakapitid sing pupute nang dibdib.

(Tag.) Calan Three sisters with equally white breasts. Stove

They are equally white—i. e. they are all three black from the fire.

349. Nageal-logong nag pica nageaballo tallot sacana.

(Iloc.) Dalican It has a hat and a spear, a horse and three feet. Stove

350. Malaki ang namahay cay sa bahay. (Tag.) Calang at ang bahay nang Calang.

The inhabitant is larger than the

house. Stove and its lower part (called its house.)

351. Na upo si ca Item, sinulot nica Pula.

> (Tag.) Pallot at apoy Compadre ''Item'' (black) sat down. Compadre ''Pula'' (red) poked him. Pot and flame

352. Ing caballero cung negro makasake yang attung cabayu dapat kikiak yang anting loco.

(Pamp.) Balanga ampong nasi.

My black horseman rides three horses but he is crying like a fool.

A pot of cooking rice The three horses are the firestones or the three supports of the pot in the pottery stove; the bubbling is the crying.

Time.

353. Ania nga aldao ti caatid-dagan? (Iloc.) Ti aldao a saan a panangan.

> What day is the longest? The day on which you do not eat

354. Nag daan si Cabo negro, namatay na lahat ang tao. (Tag.) Gabi The black Corporal passed, all the people died. Night

Died, here, is slept.

Tools.

355. Nung eminuna ing malati, ing maragul emituqui.

> (Pamp.) Barrenang espiral If not preceded by the smaller the larger one will not go. Auger

356. Adda pinarsua iti Dios natanquen ti pammaguina madi a mangan no di matoen ti olona.

> (Iloc.) Paet There is a creature of God whose body is hard; it does not wish to eat unless you strike its head.

> > Chisel

357. Adda babay a labang di mangan no diai paculan.

(Iloc.) Paet There is a woman who does not eat unless you strike her. Chisel

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358. Ing damulag cung dapa, quing gulut ya ta tacla.

(Pamp.) Catam My crawling carabao excretes its feces upward. Plane

feces upward. Plane 359. Taot ngato, taot baba, cayot tin-

gana.

(Iloc.)

Ragadi

Man above, man below, wood in middle. Saw

Below the horizontally placed timber to be sawed a pit is dug; one sawyer is below in the pit, the other above, each holds a handle of the great saw, which works up and down.

Toy.

360. Enbontayog coy ecnol

quinmocaoe ya tampol.

(Pang.) Bibintarol I throw the eggs; they crow immediately. Firecracker

361. Adda abalbalayco a sinam granada rineppetco a binastabasta imbarsacco diay daga nasay sayaat ti cancionna.

(Iloc.)

Sunay

I have a toy like a granada; I tied it around and around and threw it on the ground and it sang sweetly. Top

Trunk.

362. Pusipusec ta pusegmo ta iruarco ta quinnanmo.

(Iloc.) Lacaza I turn your navel to take out what you have eaten. Trunk

363. Adda pay maysa nga quita diay balay a naaramid iti cayo quet adda met uppat nga sacana nga babasit quet adda met innem nga acaba quencuana rupano quet agngiao saan nga magna.

(Iloe.)

Baol

I have something in my house made of wood; it has four short legs and six flat faces; it squeaks, but cannot walk. • Trunk

Umbrella.

364. No umulog ti señora augucrad ti sampaga.

(Iloc.)

Payong

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When the lady comes down the sampaga* opens. Umbrella

365. Con butongon pasoc; con induso payog.

(Bis.) Payong When pulled it is a cane; when pushed a tent. Umbrella

- Utensils, etc.
- 366. Hindi tayop, hindi tao, apat ang suso.

(Tag.,—also Pang.) Buslo Not animal, not man. She has four breasts. Basket

367. Hindi hare, hinde pare, nag dada. . met nang sari-sari.

> (Tag.) Sampayan Not king, not *padre*, it wears many kinds of clothes. Clothes-line

368. Adda maysa nga ubing

(Iloc.)

a natured ti lammin.

Sudo

There is a boy, who does not shiver with the cold. Dipper This dipper is made from the half of a polished cocoanut shell.

*a flower.

369. Nang isoot coi, tuyo, nang bunuten coi natulo.

(Tag.) Tabo When I plunged it in it was dry; when I drew it out it was dripping. Dipper

370. Sacay sino balay ina nga puno sang ventana? (Bis.) Puluguan Whose house is that, which is full of windows? The hen house

371. No adda ti lenong agealeal logong. (Iloc.) Caramba If it is in the shade it wears its hat. A jar full of water

372. Aniat aramid a nagbaticuling ti sabut.

(Iloc.) Pagbagasan
What work has a gizzard like a sabut? Storage jar for rice
The sabut is the cocoanut cup or bowl: in the pagbagasan, there is always a ganta for measuring rice. This ganta is the gizzard here meant.

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373. Pusepusec ti bato tumbog carayan Veto.

> (Iloc.) Gilingan I turn the stone and there flows out like the Veto river. Mill

374. Hiniguit co ang yantok, nag bibiling ang bundoc.

> (Tag.) Guilingan I pulled the rope and the mountain turned. Mill

375. Hiniguit co ang Caguin, nag kakara ang maching.

> (Tag.) Guilingan I pulled the rope and the monkey began to howl.

Refers to the creaking of the mill, when grinding.

376. Isang malaking babai, sa likuran tumatae.

(Tag.) Guilingan A big woman, who excretes at the back. Mill

The meal is here considered as excreted.

377. Dinalas nang dinalas mapute ang lumabas.

(Tag.)

Guilingan

Somebody got busy and something white appeared. Mill

The ground rice pours out from the mill as a white meal.

378. Aldo at bengi macanganga ya, manena ya yang parusa.

> (Pamp.) Asung It gapes day and night awaiting punishment. Mortar

379. Isa lamang ang sapin, duha ang batiis apat ang pa-a, isa ang lauas, isa ang baba apang uala sing olo.
(Bis.) Luzong He has but one shoe, two shins,

four legs, one body, one mouth, but no head. Mortar

380. No igamac ta siquet mo lagtoca a lagto.

(Iloc.)

Al-o

If I hold your waist you jump and jump. Pestle

In pounding rice, the great wooden pestle is taken by the middle, which is more slender than the pounding ends.

381. No magna ni arodoc agparintomeng amin a root.

(Iloc.)

Arado

When the creeper passes all the grass kneels. Plow

382. Cobbo ni amam quiad ni inam sica nga anacda daramodum ca.

> (Iloe.) Arado The father is bent over, the mother is bent back and the son is bent forward. Plow

This has reference to the different sticks, or pieces, of which the plow is composed. 383. 'Sa palacol nabuhay

at sa untog namatay.

(Tag.)

Palayoe

Produced by hammering but destroyed by a jar. Pot

Clay for pottery is prepared by pounding it with a light hammer; it is also beaten into shape in the process of giving it form.

384. Pegarenco abot pegarenco abot.

(Pang.) Liquen I turn over completely, I turn over completely. Pot ring support

385. Adda abal-balayco a pusipusac a pusipus mabalbal-cut.

(Iloc.)

Pudonan

I have a thing, which I twine and twine and it is covered.

Weaving spool

386. Nano nga sapat nga baba ang naga caon, mata ang nga pamus-on?

(Bis.) Ayagan What animal is it, which takes its food through its mouth and excretes it through its eyes? Sieve

387. Bahay ni Guiring-guiring butasbutas ang sinding.

> (Tag.) Bithay "Guiring-guiring's" house is full of holes. Sieve

388. Adda maysa a caballo; tal-lot sacana; no dica sacayan di magna. (Iloc.) Egad
There is a horse; he has three legs; if you do not ride on him, he never walks. Copra shredder

389. Limma ac ed Dagupan dugduaray bacatco.

(Pang.) Sali I went to Dagupan but I left only two footprints. Sled

390. Aniat aramid a duduat tugaona [125] inganat panacaparsuana?

(Iloc.)PasagadWhat work has two seats since its
creation?Sled

391. Ania ti uppat ti sacana dudua ti tugotna?

(Iloc.) Pasagad
What has four feet but only two foot-prints? Rice-sled
The sled for hauling rice has four supports or legs, which end in two runners.
392. Pusepusec ti pengan tum-bog carayan Vigan.

(Iloc.) Dadapilan I turn the plate and water flows out like the Vigan River. Sugarmill

393. Oalay baboy con baleg son laben nga libngaleb.

(Pang.) Darapitan I have a large pig; during the night he grunts. Sugarmill

Vegetables.

394. Tite nang ama mo, isinubsob co sa abo.

(Tag.) Camote Your father's — I place in the ashes. Camote

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The *camote* is a sort of sweet potato; it may be baked in the ashes.

395. Nagsabong ti sinan malucong nagbunga uneg ti daga.

> (Iloc.) Camote It produces a flower like a cup; fruit underground. Camote

396. Sirad *mirabilis* oalad dalem so sicsic.

> (Pang.) Cete The *mirabilis* (fish) has his scales inside. Cete

The cete ("piquante") is the pepper.

397. Otin nen laquic Duardo batil ya anga ed ngoro.

(Pang.) My grandfather Eduardo's Area is covered with pimples. Cucumber 398. Oquis nan bagasnan.

(Iloc.) Lasona

Its bark is its seed. Onion 399. Binili ang isang minithi kong bagay at ang hinahangad ay pakinabangan, pagdating sa amin ang pinangyarihan, nang gagamitin luha koy bumakal.

(Tag.)

Sibuyas

I bought a thing I wished to use; when I tried to use it my tears fell. Onion

400. Ista co sa Mariveles sapin-sapin ang caliskis.

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(Tag.) Sile

My fish in Mariveles has manifold scales. Pepper

Scales laid upon one another; the seeds of the pepper are flat and stacked against one another.

401. Mahanghang hindi naman paminta; maputi hindi naman papel; verde hindi naman suha; turang mong bigla.

> (Tag.) Rabanos It is sharp but not pepper; white but not paper; green but not shaddock; guess what that is. Radish

402. Ang iloy naga camang ang bata naga pungeo.

(Bis.) Calabaza The mother creeps, and the son sits. Squash

The mother is the vine; the child is the fruit. The riddle gains point, by sug-

gesting a reversal of the natural conditions.

403. Ania iti parsua ni Apo Dios nga aoan ti matana aoan ti ngioatna quen aoan ti obetna quet mangan ti ladoe-ladoe?

(Iloc.) Tabungao
What creature of Lord God has no eyes, no mouth, no anus—and eats ladoc-ladoc? A white squash
Ladoc-ladoc is rice flattened in the mortar by the blows of the pounder. The seeds of the tabungao resemble it.

404. Berdi ya balat, malutu ya laman anti mo ing pacuan.

(Pamp.) Pacuan Its skin is green and its flesh is like a watermelon. Watermelon The riddle is poor, in that it introduces the answer as a term of comparison, in a way to mislead. Similar cases occur in other lands.

405. Verde ang balat pula ang laman espectorante cung turan.

(Tag.) Pacuan Green skin, red meat, *espectorante* they call it. Watermelon

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Vision.

406. Limocsoac alabasco agco asabi.

(Pang.) Pacanengneng I jumped further but I did not reach. To see

Waves.

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407. Naga dalagan nga ua-ay sing ti-il cog naga ngurub nga ua-ay sing baba.

(Bis.) Balod It runs having no feet and it roars having no mouth. Waves Word plays.

408. Ania iti mainaganan ari ditoy bagui?

> (Iloc.) Aripoyot What king (ari) do you name in

your body? *Ari*poyot This is the great inner muscle of the upper leg.

409. Cung hindi lamang ang tatlong letra t, o, at s ay kinakain sana siya.

(Tag.) Asintos But for the letters t o s we would be eating it. (String) The word *asintos* means string; dropping the letters tos we have asin left, meaning salt.

410. Bugtong pasmiasa, puno at duloi may bunga.

(Tag.) Calamias Bugtong pas''mias''a, whose trunk and branches have fruit. Calamias Bugtong is a riddle: the word pas''mias''a has no meaning. There is here a mere play on the sound of words. ''Pas-''mias''a suggests the answer.

411. Casano iti panangtiliu iti ugsa a di masapul iti silo, aso, gayang, oen no a aniaman a paniliu?

> (Iloc.) Urayec a maloto How do you take a deer without net, dogs, spear, or other things for catching? Cooked

412. Laguiung tao, laguiung manue, delana ning me tung a yayup.

> (Pamp.) Culassisi The name of a man, the name of a chicken, were carried by a bird.

Culas is a man's name, sisi the name of a chicken. Combined they make a bird's name. 413. Indi sapat indi man tano apang, ang ngalan nia si "esco."

> (Bis.,—also Tag.) Escopidor, Escopeta.

Neither animal nor man but its name is "esco."

Escopidor, Escopeta A mere play on the words. *Esco* is a nickname for Francisco. The *escupidor* is a cuspidor, the *escopeta* a broom. The meaning of the words goes for nothing. The words are both of Spanish origin. 414. Macatu ti poonna, rugac iti ngoduna.

> (Iloc.) Macaturugac Macatu=cloth

Macatu=cloth

Rugac=old, rotten clothing

Cloth is the beginning; tatters the ending.

i. e. *Macatu* is the beginning, *rugac* the ending. The whole word means I am sleeping.

415. Salapi iti poona; ngao ti ngodona. (Iloc.) Salapingao (Fifty cents) Salapi is the beginning; () ngao the end. The *Salapingao* is a bird "like a swallow."

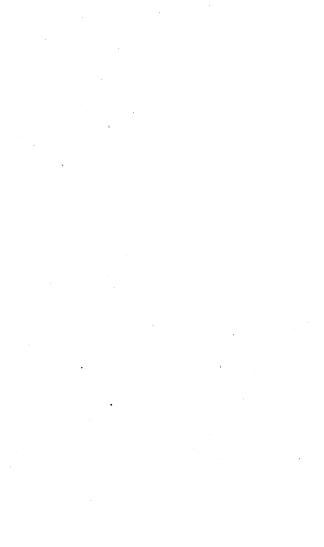
416. Sinampal co bago inaloc.

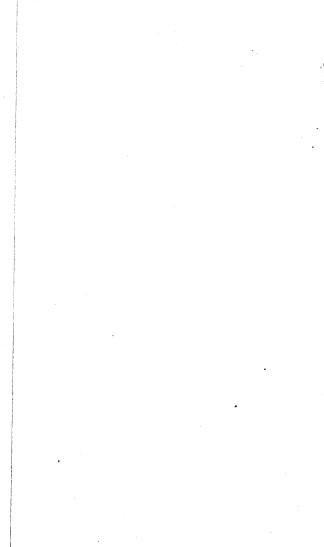
(Tag.) Sampaloc I slapped before I offered.

Sampaloe

There is simple word play here; the beginning and end of the riddle give the word S(in)ampal-oc. The Sampaloc is a fruit tree.

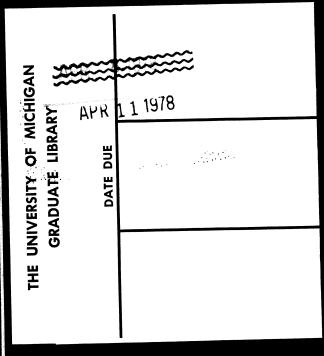


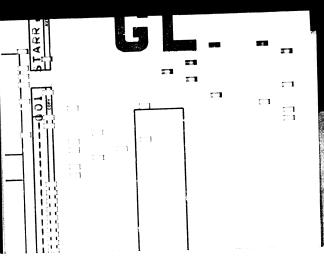




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