Sam Loyd's 1914 Cyclopedia Of Puzzles

Sam Loyd's Cyclopedia of 500 Puzzles, Tricks & Conundrums With Answers by Sam Loyd

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A classic book of puzzles of the famous Sam Loyd, compiled by his son after his death (Loyd lived from 1841 to 1911). Although the bulk of this book is devoted to mathematical puzzles, it is fun reading and there is material relating to mechanical puzzles. For example, the Towers of Hanoi puzzle is presented on page 223, and the Fifteen puzzle is presented on page 235.

Further Reading
Knuth's index to Loyd's book, from: http://sunburn.stanford.edu/%7Eknuth/loyd-cyc.txt

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