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DER DRUMMER.

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Who puts up at der pest hotel,
Und dakes his oysders on der shell,
Und mit der frauins cuts a schwell?
Der drummer.

Who vas it comes indo mine schtore,
Drows down his pundles on der floor,
Und nefer schtopps to shut der door?
Der drummer.



Who dakes me py der handt und say:
"Hans Pfeiffer, how you vas to-day?"
Und goes for peesness right: away?
Der drummer.

Who shpreads his zamples in a trice,
Und dells me "look, und see how nice?"
Und says I gets "der hottom price?"
Der drummer.



Who says der tings vas eggstra vine—
"Vrom Sharmany, ubon der Rhine"—
Und sheats me den dimes outd of nine?
Der drummer.

Who dells how sheap der goods vas bought,
Mooch less as vot I gould inborl,
But lets dem go as he vas "short?"
Der drummer.



Who varrants all der goods to suit
Der gustomers ubon his route,
Und ven dey comes dey vas no goot?
Der drummer.

Who gomes aroud ven I been out,
Drinks oup mine bier, und eats mine kraut,
Und kiss Katrina in der mou?
Der drummer.



Who, ven he gomes again dis vay,
Will hear vot Pfeiffer has to say,
Und mit a plack eye goes away?
Der drummer.

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VERNAL.

Now is the time when poets rhyme,
And blue birds gayly sing;
While in the bog, the frisky frog
Takes in the "Gentle Spring."
—Huckensack Republican.

When up and down, all over town,
"To let" is plainly seen,
While here and there men gently swear;
"The time has come to clean."
—N. Y. Com. Advertiser.

The dark-browed minstrel from afar
Now greeds the country shades,
And grinds out airs of love and war,
To charm the rural maids.
—Stamford Advocate.

Borne on the breeze among the trees,
Whose leaflets hide the nest,
Is faintly heard, this season's bird—
"Twit!—give us a rest!"
—ERRATIC ENRIQUE. —N. Y. Daily News.

Now little boys base ball enjoys
And marbles shoot from "taw,"
While you and I a "cobbler" try
Or "juleps" through a straw.