

Poetic Answers. WHAT IS YOUR CHARACTER? A rare compound of oddity, frolic and fun...

WHAT IS YOUR CHIEF ATTRACTION? Thou hast the sweetest face I ever looked on...

WHAT DO YOU LIKE BEST? That all softening, overpowering bliss, The toasts of the soul—the dinner bell...

WHAT DO YOU DISLIKE MOST? Of every bore, It to the list you add a score, Are not so bad, upon my life...

WHAT IS YOUR HIGHEST AMBITION? To go to church to-day, To look devout and seem to pray...

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FLOWER? Magnificent calla, in mantle of milk, The chestnut blossom, pure and spotless bloom...

WHO IS YOUR INTENDED? A perfect woman nobly planned, To warn, to comfort and command, And yet a spirit still and bright...

WHAT IS THE CHARACTER OF YOUR INTENDED? She takes the most delight In music, instruments and poetry...

WHAT IS YOUR DESTINY? Never wedding, never wooing, Still a loveless heart pursuing...

WHERE WILL YOUR HOME BE? Where beasts with man divided empire claim,

And the brown Indian marks with murderous aim. Where from the rise of morn to set of sun...

DEMETER'S DAUGHTER.

Mrs. De Lettante had invited a crowd of people to hear a white-haired man of lofty artistic pedigree read. She was fond of patronizing talent...

Presently Mrs. De Lettante came up with a tall, fair young man of a studious aspect, whom she made known to Miss Wiese as Douglas.

He had for his father a man who had lived in the world and for the world, and his life had left no impress of any lofty impulse upon his face...

She has a gift. To my thinking, it belongs to the world. And so she will dim her loveliness behind the footlights, and lose the bloom of her reticence and modesty.

"Not necessarily. An ordinary woman might. An artist is impersonal; her own identity is completely merged."

But there were times when, in spite of all this, Hilda De Bonne Fortune asked herself whether her grand marriage had been worth while.

The poor little duchess was in despair. Whom was there to turn to? She looked at Douglas, and thought of her life...

So she made her peace with life, with nature, as the pagans would have said, and she was content.

But in so making her reconciliation she must also find her way back to her place in the world.

"I was by no means sure it was you, Madame De Bonne Fortune," Dr. Douglass said.

After that, Hilda never rested until she had seen her mother face to face. Her conversation with Dr. Douglass brought up the past so vividly that she could not be satisfied without it.

granted, he went on: "My child, never look backward; it does no good."

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them, and fills with them the vases in Hilda's room, and makes ready for her darling.

A number of English gentlemen have annually been in the habit of presenting to the poorer classes in their neighborhoods a variety of flowers.

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FARM, GARDEN, AND HOUSEHOLD.

The Use of the Harrow in Spring. When the spring frosts have ceased, says a New York paper, the condition of the winter grain is frequently very deplorable.

Another use for the harrow at this season is to loosen up the surface of clover or grass fields.

CLEANING CISTERN-WATER.—Add two ounces powdered alum and two ounces borax to a twenty-barrel cistern of rain-water that has blackened or oily.

MEALY POTATOES.—Select the potatoes so that they will be nearly of a size; do not put them into the pot until the water boils.

CLEANING DISHES.—Dinner dishes and plates which have had greasy food upon them may be rubbed off with a little Indian meal.

LINEN BEDS BE AHEAD.—It is a bad plan to "make up" the beds immediately after breakfast.

Seeding and Fertilizing in Spots. Mowings and pasturing, when seeded and manured, are treated usually only once for all, and as a whole.

Many gardeners already appreciate the valuable services of the common toad, and afford them protection for their insect-devouring propensities.

usefulness. To the latter class it may be interesting to know that toads live almost wholly upon slugs, caterpillars, beetles and other insects.

The toad can be tamed and will learn to know "its master," and come when called; the writer has not only had such pets himself, but could give other instances of toad taming that have come under his observation.

Pedestrian Hints. The common things of life, We little weigh; Amidst much care and strife We seldom stay.

Always keep to the left; by this course you show a spirit of consideration for the thrall of convention.

Prodigies may be accomplished with an umbrella. When one comes to deal with this, the quills matter mundane appear to be the proper substitute.

When closed, the umbrella should be carried under the arm or on the shoulder. Do this, and the oculist will bless you.

Trains should be worn as far back on the sidewalk as the length of the material will allow.

Never use slang. It may not always apply. Listen as a comes into B's room. Says A: "How do you like my new shoes?" A: "Oh, they're immense!"