

The Poet's Corner.

Another Year. Another year is dawning: Dear Master, let it be In working or in waiting, Another year with Thee, Another year of leaning Upon Thy loving breast, Of ever deepening trustfulness, Of quiet, happy rest.

Fun and Fancy.

Two views of the matter: "Yes" said Pendleton, smilingly, "what I am I can truly say my wife made me." "Not very complimentary to Mrs. Pendleton," replied Blunt in a stage whisper.

A Talk About House Work.

Girls whose parents can afford to keep servants get the impression sometimes that it is quite out of the question to engage in any kind of household work, some even leaving the care of their own room to the charge of hired help.

One reason we would give in favour of household work for girls is, that it gives a chance to learn the many details connected with woman's work that cannot be learned in any other way than by experience, and without which knowledge no woman can govern a house well.

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The Mystic Mistletoe.

The mistletoe, apart from its use at Christmas, has always been an object of interest to naturalists. This Herrick speaks of it as— "The mystic mistletoe, Which has no root, and cannot grow Or prosper but by that same tree It clings about."

Indeed, few plants have been honored with a more varied folk-lore than the mistletoe; and according to one tradition the cross was made of it. Prior to this time it is reported to have been a fine forest tree, but was condemned henceforth to lead a parasitical existence.

Various superstitions are still attached to this plant, which are not confined to our own country. Thus, formerly in Worcestershire, farmers were in the habit of taking a bough of mistletoe and giving it to the cow that first calved after New-Year's Day, as this act was supposed to avert ill-luck from the dairy.

RAILWAY CONSOLIDATION.

The Great Western, Credit Valley, Ontario and Quebec, and Toronto, Grey and Bruce to Amalgamate.

From Toronto Globe. Mr. E. B. Osler, who has been in England for the past two months, representing the bondholders of the Credit Valley, has returned to the city.

"I have not followed the reports in the Toronto papers, regarding the matter," said Mr. Osler, "but I will give you an idea of the scheme. In the first place the Credit Valley has not been sold to the Great Western, but arrangements have been made between the directors and bondholders of the Great Western, Credit Valley, Ontario and Quebec, and the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railways by which the four roads will be consolidated."

"How was the consolidation effected?" "While I was in England representing the bondholders of the Credit Valley, a number of meetings were held by the English directors of the other roads, and as it was apparent that the scheme was a good one, and almost necessary, in view of the strong competition anticipated, it was finally decided on."

"Has the Canada Pacific Syndicate anything to do with the scheme?" "Not the first thing, our consolidation will be a competing line with that road, but I understand an agreement will be made with the Syndicate by which the proposed bridge over the St. Lawrence, near Montreal, may be used our road. Connection will be made with the Canada Pacific at Perth."

"When is the consolidation to take effect?" "I really could not say, for no details have yet been entered into, but the work of construction on the Ontario and Quebec will now be pushed forward with increased vigor. More men will be employed, and it is intended to have the road in operation in less than two years."

"Has any arrangement been made about retaining the officers of the different roads which constitute the consolidation?" "As I before stated, the detail have not been entered into, but no change will be made for some time at any rate, and I cannot say definitely how matters will eventually be arranged in that respect."

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