Love's Parting.

We stood at the bars as the sun sank low, Beneath the hills on that summer day; On my breast lay her soft cheek, white as snow;

Her breath smelled sweet as the newmown hay.

Silently stood—'twas the last embrace,
Long years would pass ere we'd meet

So I wondered not at her palid face, Or the tears which fell like crystal rain.

Like golden arrows glanced the faint sun-

'Mid the quiv'ring meshes of her hair; While she turned her soft brown eyes to mine, I read the love which was written there.

I see her bathed in the crimson flood,
I see her peacefully standing now,
As I stroked her neck while she chewed her
cud—

I see her yet—that Alderney cow.

JEAN LA RUE BURNETT.

A little bit of Hope
Makes a rainy day look gay,
And a little bit of Charity
Makes glad a weary way.
A little bit of Patience
Often makes the sunshine come,
And a little bit of Love
Makes a very happy home.

"You will find that luck
Is only pluck
To try things over and over,
Patience and skill,
Courage and will
Are the four leaves of luck's clover."

Dooryards.

Now that the snow has left the ground bare, the accumulation of the winters dirt makes its appearance. An hours' work with a rake, shovel and wheelbarrow; will make a changed appearance in the dooryard, besides being more cleanly and healthful.

Sowing Onion Seed.

Experiments by professor Green at the Experimental Station confirm the experience of all successful onion growers, in showing the importance of giving onions an early start so that they may take hold of the soil before dry, hot weather sets in. Old horticultural writers taught the same thing a century ago. Onions are a thing which should be grown more largely in Manitoba, and this advice may be useful. The quantity of onions grown is not large enough for home consumption, and at the present time the article is exceedingly scarce in the Winnipeg market.—The Commercial.

Old brass may be cleaned to look like new by pouring strong ammonia on it and scrubbing with a scrub-brush, rinse in clear water.

RISIBILITIES.

A Scotch landlord one fine morning, noticed a boy up in his best apple tree filling his pockets with apples. A little surprised he said, "You little scamp, come down out of that." The boy Scotch, who thought a minute, replied, "Gin' I came doon ye'll lick me."

Landlord--Well though you deserve it, I'll not this time, come down.

Boy-Gin i cum doon will ye nae

lick me.
Landlord—No, I'll not, come down!
I tell you.

Boy—Weel, say "as sure as death." Landlord—Come down I tell you, can't you believe me.

Boy, thoughtfully—Weel I dinna ken, but if ye dinna say as sure as death, I'll nae cum doon the day.

"Mr. Editor—What are your Price fur notiFoin a curtain young Man to Keep awa From my Premises? A Reader."

For scentsational advertisements like yours it are four dollars a line.—Kentucky State Journal.

Creditor—Your account has been standing a long time now, I think it is time it were settled.

Debtor—Things generally do settle by standing. I am sorry if my account is an exception, but if it does not settle standing suppose you let it run a while.

"So you took satisfaction out of your rival at last Joe?"

"Yes! I got on to him yesterday."
"You look awfully bunged up.
Where did the satisfaction come in?"
"Well, you see, I was satisfied I got licked."—Hatchet.

Patient—"How good of you to come, doctor! I didn't expect you this morning."

Doctor—"No; but I was called to your opposite neighbor, poor Mrs. Brown, and thought I might as well kill two birds with one stone."

Mrs. Youngpeople—"Why, Riggie, what do you mean by eating breakfast with your trousers turned up? It isn't raining."

Mr. Youngpeople—"No, dear; but the coffee looks awfully muddy."

First citizen—Do you think we are going to have an early spring?

Second citizen—Don't know. Have been in the country only thirteen years, ask a new comer.

Notes on All Topics.

March came in like a lamb and likewise departed—rather sheepish.—
Free Press.

One farmer in Ellis, Kansas, who owns 360 acres of wheat, applied to the aid commissioner for seed wheat. He said he didn't need it, but if it was going he wanted some.

The oyster is one of the strongest creatures on earth. The force required to open an oyster is more than 1,300 times its weight. They are docile, but they are all muscle.—Plaindealer.

There are 200 women preachers in the United States who have been ordained during the latter part of the present progressive century. Forty years ago only one woman had been ordained as the pioneer of the new movement.

An Arkansas editor proclaims himself as the Messiah. Of course he is crazy and has been sent to the asylum, but it is not likely that he will have the same following that other crazy cranks have had. There is nobody so stupid as to believe that the Messiah will come from Arkansas.—Duluth News.

Much is being said, says the New York Ledger, about the "lot of woman" and the best way of improving it. It is our notion that the best way to improve the lot of woman is to put a house on it and a good man in the house. We do not claim this to be original with us, but we think it is just as good as if it were.

If a man and wife agree politically the man's vote represents the opinion of both, and there is no need of enfranchising women. If the man and his wife disagree politically, and each has the opportunity of voting, there is no peace in that household. Peace in the household is worth very much more to the man, his wife and his children than mamma's privilege of voting can possibly be.—Hamilton Spectator.

A woman once consulted a seer regarding a way to retain the affection of her husband, and this was the advice received:—Get a raw piece of best surloin steak, about half an inch thick; rub with a central slice from a wild onion, salt and pepper; toast over a bright coal fire on a grid-iron which is handled only by yourself; never by your servants; then put a little sweet butter over the beef. Give him half a pound of this each morning, and do not speak while he eats it."—Ex

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