

WHO, WHAT AND WHERE.

QUESTIONS FOR FEBRUARY.

1. Who was condemned to wear hung about his neck the body of the bird he had slain, and why?
2. What bird
long lived the pride of the countryside,
And at last in the odour of sanctity died?
3. Where did the last of the Gairfowl stand, and what kind of tears did she weep?
4. What bird stood nearly six feet high, and seen from behind looked rather like a very proper bald-headed parson?
5. What bird is called: *a.* darling of the spring, *b.* the sea-blue bird of March, *c.* the Arabian bird, *d.* "a creature of a fiery heart," *e.* pilgrim of the sky?
6. Who were, Grip, poor Matthias, Chil?

QUESTIONS FOR JANUARY.

DOMESTIC AFFAIRS.

(All from Standard Novels.)

1. What supper was a disappointment because the host thought the asparagus not quite boiled enough?
2. Who had an exquisite art of making her cleanliness more uncomfortable and unacceptable than dirt itself?
3. Who thought that to wear the same curled front on Sundays and weekdays "would be to introduce a most dream-like and unpleasant confusion between the sacred and the secular?"
4. What family were confused at being caught playing "Hunt the Slipper," by two great acquaintances from town?
5. Where was an assault repelled by a dish of scalding hot kalebrose?

ANSWERS.

1. The supper at Hartfield on the night of the ball at the Crown. *Emma*. Ch. 38.
2. Mrs. Joe Gargery. *Great Expectations*. Ch. 4.
3. Mrs. Glegg. *The Mill on the Floss*. Ch. 7.
4. The Primrose Family. *Vicar of Wakefield*. Ch. 11.
5. At Tillietudlem Castle. *Old Mortality*. Ch. 24.

Only four sets of answers this month, and only one set perfect.

Marks allowed, 10.

Waterloo, 10; Gill, M.L.L. Club, 8; Alert, 7.

THE QUESTION BOX.

M. V. H. 1. "The Hunter's Moon." A name for the full moon next after the harvest moon. The harvest moon is the moon which is full within a fortnight of the autumnal equinox (September 22nd or 23rd.)

2. Aurora Borealis. A luminous atmospheric phenomenon, considered to be electrical, radiating from or occurring near the earth's

northern or southern magnetic poles; visible from time to time by night. Often called northern (or southern) lights, Aurora Borealis, or Aurora Australis.

Mrs. A. 1. Pronunciation of "Khaki." Either Kah-kee, or Kar-kee. The word is variously spelled. It is Urdu, and means dusty, hence, dust coloured. As a noun, a fabric of khaki colour.

2. The Anglo-Japanese Alliance was concluded when Lord Salisbury was Prime Minister, and was his doing. The treaty, or more properly speaking, the convention embodying it was signed on January 30th, 1902, by Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary. The object of the alliance was the protection of the respective interests of England and Japan in China and Corea. The terms are too long to quote in full. In case of either England or Japan being involved in war with another power, the contracting party was to remain neutral. If a second enemy power took part in the war, the other party to the alliance would come to the aid of her ally. See Current Events in REVIEW for November, 1915.

3. Ratisbon is in Bavaria. But in 1809 the Austrians were fighting in Bavaria. After the battle of Eggmuhl in 1809, they retired upon Ratisbon and the pursuing French defeated them again beneath its walls and reduced a great part of the city to ashes.

An answer to M. V. H.'s question about Household Economy would take too much space in this column. We hope to give some suggestions on the subject in a later issue.

WORTH REMEMBERING.

Jacob Abbott, author of the Rollo books and much other useful and interesting, although old-fashioned, juvenile literature, lays down the following fundamental rules for teachers and parents:

"When you consent, consent cordially.

When you refuse, refuse finally.

When you punish, punish good-naturedly.

Commend often. Never scold."

Some bulky volumes on teaching contain less pedagogical wisdom. A very skilful and successful teacher attributes much of her success to a faithful observance of these five concise and simple rules.—*Exchange*.