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We laid out the garden on May 4th, and there are twenty-two beds. The older pupils helped to lay it out. Each one had to bring four stakes, and we needed twine, axe and rulers. The beds are four feet long and six feet wide for the older ones, and the little ones are four feet by four feet. The path is two and a half feet in the middle, one foot in the center. We stretched the twine and drove the stakes. We will take the stones off our garden and put them in the path, and we will work it up.

HAZEL PARKS (age 11, Book III.)
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Rebecca.

I have a doll, Rebecca,
She's quite a little care,
I have to press her ribbons
And comb her fluffy hair.

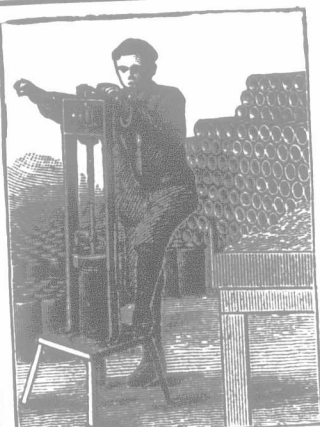
I keep her clothes all mended,
And wash her hands and face,
And make her frocks and aprons,
All trimmed in frills and lace.

I have to cook her breakfast,
And pet her when she's ill;
And telephone the doctor
When Rebecca has a chill.

Rebecca doesn't like that,
And says she's well and strong,
And says she'll try—oh! very hard,
To be good all day long.

But when night comes, she's nodding
So into bed we creep
And snuggle up together,
And soon are fast asleep.

I have no other dolly,
For you can plainly see,
In caring for Rebecca,
I'm busy as can be!



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Her Answer.

I studied my tables over and over,
And backward and forward, too;
But I couldn't remember six times nine,
And I didn't know what to do,
Till my sister told me to play with my doll
And not to bother my head.
"If you call her 'Fifty-four' for a while,
You'll learn it by heart," she said.
So I took my favorite, Mary Ann,
(Though I thought 'twas a dreadful shame
To give such a perfectly lovely child
Such a perfectly horrid name).
But I called her my little "Fifty-four"
A hundred times till I knew
The answer of six times nine as well
As the answer of two times two.
Next day Elizabeth Wagglesworth,
Who always acts so proud,
Said "Six times nine are fifty-two,"
And I nearly laughed aloud!
But I wished I hadn't when teacher said,
"Now, Dorothy, tell, if you can,"
For I thought of my doll, and—sakes alive!
I answered, "Mary Ann!"

—By Anna M. Pratt.

News of the Week.

All trains running on the C. P. R. west of Toronto are now despatched by telephone.

Extensive forest fires raged during the latter part of last week near Arrow Head, B. C.

The Supreme Court of the United States last week ordered the dissolution of the Tobacco Trust.

Dr. F. W. Merchant has been appointed director of industrial and technical education for Ontario.

According to evidence given in Washington, the Grangers and the Trusts are allied in attempts to defeat reciprocity.

Tenders have been called for the building of the Hudson's Bay Railway.

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way, starting from the pass on the Saskatchewan River.

The Ontario Medical Association is urging that special pavilions for tuberculosis patients be established at all the general hospitals in Ontario.

Sir W. S. Gilbert, dramatic author, who, in collaboration with Sir Arthur Sullivan, wrote Pinafore, The Mikado, etc., was drowned at Harrow, Eng., last week.

King George has issued a "command" invitation to two representatives of trades' unions to attend the coronation ceremonies—an unprecedented recognition of the Labor party by royalty.

GOSSIP.

The Oxfordshire Show, one of the first of the prominent English summer shows, was held at Thame, May 17th and 18th. In two-year-old Shorthorn bulls, which made a good showing, C. E. Gunther's Tongwood Bapton was a popular winner. In the yearling bull section, D. MacLennan's Beaufort Landmarker, the grand roan for which he paid 1,000 guineas at the Birmingham spring sale, was a clear winner, by reason of his extreme evenness of flesh and stylish appearance. One of the best of the classes was that for three-year-old heifers, in which Sir R. Cooper's handsome roan, Waterloo 36th, of Bates breeding, was an easy winner, and ultimate female champion. The first-prize two-year-old heifer was Capt. Clive Behren's Abbey Farm Mary, by Roder Tower. The same exhibitor had the winning yearling heifer in two-year-old section, by Chiddington Seal.