Adam out of dust taken from the north, south, east and west ? The English word "news" can and may have a similar etymology. It is the collection of events from the four cardinal points, *N*orth, *E*ast, *W*est, *S*outh. Such derivations are, however, more fanciful than accurate. If you wish to thoroughly understand the full meaning of the word devil, decapitate it letter by letter—Devil, evil, vil(e), il, 'l.

FAVORITE NAMES.—"What's in a name?" The names of women gracing the pages of the poets are certainly beautiful. We observe a few. Longfellow : Elsie, Beatrice, Annie and Evangeline. Tennyson : Agnes, Isabel, Claribel, Clara, Dora, Mariana, Godiva, Lilian, Vivien, Adeline, Madeline, Elaine, Guinevere, Oenone, Eleanore, Enid, Maud, Rosalind, Kate, Margaret, Lynette. Shakespeare : Helen, Regan, Imogen, Juliet, Margaret, Rosalind, Ariel, Isabel, Goneril, Katherine, Diana, Helena, Mariana, Cleopatra, Viola, Octavia, Miranda, Cassandra, Cressida, Volumnia, Valeria, Virgilia, Portia, Ophelia, Cordelia, Olivia.

THE universities throughout the land are now passing through the festivities and honors of Graduations or Commencements. Dalhousie (Halifax) conferred eight B.A.'s and one B.Sc. Queen's conferred twenty-one B.A's., one B.D. and seventeen M.D.'s—thirty-nine in all. Trinity conferred about forty-five M.D.'s. Victoria conferred thirteen B.A.'s, two B.Sc.'s, one B.D., one LL.B., five M.A's., fifty-five M.D.'s and C.M.'s, one D.D. (hon.) and one LL.D. (hon.)—seventy-nine in all. Mt. Alison, N.B., in 1875 admitted the first lady to the degree in Science (B.Sc.), and in 1882 the first lady to a degree in Arts (B.A.) In 1883 Victoria admitted the first lady to a degree in Medicine. This year Queen's has conferred the degree of B.A. upon two young ladies who have pursued brilliant and successful courses. Victoria has this year, for the first time in her history, admitted to the degree of B.Sc. a young lady, Miss Nellie C. Greenwood, who, coming to her halls an American, has by her perseverance, ability and modesty won a reputation