

the bishop said the place where he had seen cotton growing abundantly, and dropping on the ground for want of gathering, was inhabited by heathen, and was beyond our dominions. The children who were now under education at Cape Town made rapid progress in their studies, and were wonderfully intelligent. Dr. Livingstone spoke of flax being grown in the interior, but in the Cape Colony there was nothing of the kind known.—*Manchester Examiner*.

AN APRIL DAY.

When the warm sun, that brings
Seed-time and harvest, has returned again,
'Tis sweet to visit the still wood, where springs
The first flower of the plain.

I love the season well,
When forest glades are teeming with bright forms,
Nor dark and many-folded clouds foretell
The coming-on of storms.

From the earth's loosen'd mould
The sapling draws its sustenance and thrives;
Though stricken to the heart with winter's cold,
The drooping tree revives.

The softly-warbled song
Comes from the pleasant woods, and coloured wings
Glance quick in the bright sun, that moves along
The forest openings.

When the bright sunset fills
The silver woods with light, and the green slope throws
Its shadows in the hollows of the hills,
And wide the upland glows.

And, when the eve is born,
In the blue lake the sky, o'er reaching far
Is hollowed out, and the moon dips her horn,
And twinkles many a star.

Inverted in the tide,
Stand the gray rocks, and trembling shadows throw,
And the fair trees look over, side by side,
And see themselves below.

Sweet April!—many a thought
Is wedded unto thee, as hearts are wed;
Nor shall they fail, till, to its autumn brought,
Life's golden fruit is shed.

LONGFELLOW.

COLIC IN SHEEP.—Sheep kept on dry food during our long winters, even when turnips or other kinds of roots are given them, will occasionally be subjected to the colic, a disease which unless timely checked, will often prove fatal. The following remedy, when administered in time, seldom fails:—

Mix together ten drops of laudanum, ten drops of essence of peppermint, one tea-spoonful of the spirits of turpentine, and one table-spoonful of sweet oil. Give this in one dose, and if relief is not afforded in the course of a few hours, repeat the dose.

CONDITION POWDERS.—The following powders will be found excellent for horses kept on dry food:—Take crocus of antimony, finely levigated; nitre, cream of tartar, and flour of sulphur, of each four ounces: Powder and mix them well together for use.