



THE FIRST EASLER.

O sacred sight! behold the place,—
The sepulcher where Jesus lay!
At either end an angel sits
In silent rapture, as befits
The guardians of this wondrous day:
And in the midst that empty space.

Before one early streak of dawn
Hath lit the garden's hallowed shade,
Lo, faithful women come to mourn,
With costly spices duly borne,
And eager hearts, yet sore afraid,
Whom holy love had hither drawn.

But what is this? From out the gloom
Bright angels tell their glorious news,—
They show the swaddling of the dead,
The napkin that was round his head:
But ever-blessed be its tressure
The tidings of the empty tomb.

Still week by week its Easter brings,—
The holy day the Lord hath made:
Yet, slow of heart, of spirit weak
We, trembling in the darkness, seek
The living one among the dead,
Though death itself is glory's sing.

[Rev. H. G. Tomkins, M. A.]

REJUVENATION.

With a sense of something growing,
Something stirring in the earth,
Blossoms forming, rivers flowing,
Nature rising to new birth,
How the heart of man grows lighter,
And a new hope in him stirs,
As creation folds him tighter,
And he lays his heart to hers.

CLARENCE HAWKES.

THE DAFFODILS.

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd—
A host of golden daffodils
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the Milky Way,
They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I, at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced, but they
Outdid the sparkling waves in glee;
A poet could not but be gay,
In such a jocund company:
I gazed—and gazed—but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought

For oft, when on my couch I lie,
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills
And dances with the daffodils.

[William Wordsworth.]

LOVE'S CASTLE.

Key and bar, key and bar,
Iron bolt and chain!
And what will you do when the king comes
To enter his domain?

Turn key and lift bar,
Loose, oh, bolt and chain!
Open the door and let him in,
And then lock up again.

But, oh, heart, and woe, heart,
Why do you ache so sore?
Never a moment's peace have you
Since Love hath passed the door.

Turn key and lift bar,
And loose bolt and chain;
But Love took to his equine, Grief,
And there the both remain.

[Paul Laurence Dunbar.]

PASS IT ON.

Have you had a kindness shown?
Pass it on.
'Twas not given for you alone—
Pass it on.
Let it travel down the years,
Let it wipe another's tears,
Till in heaven the deed appears,
Pass it on.

CONTENT.

The wealth of earth we may not claim
In gold and priceless works of art;
Upon our brow no wreath of fame
May set us from mankind apart
But with our loved ones we may dwell
Content in pleasant paths to stray,
Believing still that all is well
Since God has blessed each passing day.

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[Adv.]

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THE FIRST INSTALLMENT FOR APRIL.

1. A Flag Puzzle—each number and letter represents a letter.

1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	11
x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	12
x	x	9	x	x	x	x	x	x	13
2	x	x	10	x	x	x	x	x	14
3	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	15
4	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	16
5	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	17
x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	6
x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	8
x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	9
x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	10

From 1 to 11, changed from one form to another.

From 8 to 12, an official in an eastern church.

From 9 to 13, caused to move faster.

From 2 to 14, squeamishness.

From 3 to 15, not restrained.

From 4 to 16, admission.

From 5 to 17, one who subsists on milk.

From 7 to 10, clean.

From 1 to 6, what we call the American flag.

ANSWERS TO THE FEBRUARY CONTEST.

1— R
F A D
F I M E S
R A M B L E R
D E L T A
S E A
R

2—Humburg.

3—Lacquer.

70,962; 2,235,181.

4—Mussulmanism.

5—

P h i l i p
U l t i m a
Z i n n i a
E n d e d
E d r i s
R e v e l s
S p r u e

6—

A P I C O L
C R I M S O N
C O S T A
L O N

7—Portsmouth.

8—Nightingale.

9—Troy, Wetmore, Salem, Wheeling, Union.

10—Procatartic.

PRIZE WINNERS FOR FEBRUARY.

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RIISING PRICES—I appreciate the first page of F & H. A good deal is brought to light there which farmers otherwise wouldn't know. As you say, farmers are not organized and have no money to support lobbies at Washington. They must take 50c per bu for wheat or keep it, and they must pay about \$5 per cwt for wire fencing, though we got it for about \$2 a year ago; nails have risen at the same rate, also lumber. Freight rates are to be raised. Oil is raised by a trust. What are we coming to? The government replaces greenbacks and treasury notes with national bank notes. The farmers here in the northwest need to be remembered.—[G. Malchle, Minnesota.]

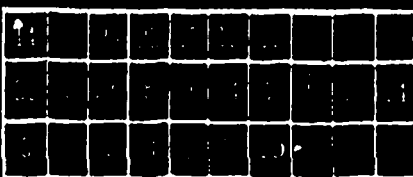
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