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hand?" "Dissolved the spell" laid by the dwarf? "Waved in gales of Galilee?"

15. Who:—a. Was called "Belted Will?" b. "Was always for ill and never for good?" c. Had been outlawed five times? d. "Had fought in Spain and Italy?" e. Had five sons who were stately warriors? f. "Never twanged the yew in vain?" g. Knighted William of Deloraine, and where? h. "Whoever lost, were sure to win?" i. "Hated Henry's name as death?" What Henry? And why did they hate him?

16. "Last St. Barnabright," when was that? Collect other phrases fixing dates, or times of day. At what day and hour, and in what exact spot was the Wizard buried, and why?

17. "The lances waving in his train

Clothe the dun heath like autumn grain." In what point is the likeness? Pick out three other similes or metaphors and show the point of comparison in each.

18. Give the context and explain:—a. The scrolls that teach thee to live and die. (cf. a line in Gray's Elegy.) b. Had gifted the shrine for their soul's repose. c. When the Red Cross spied he, the boy strove long and furiously. (What other red cross is mentioned in the poem? What does the "Red Cross" stand for today?) d. Fell by the side of great Dundee. e. "They were not armed like England's sons, But bore the levin-darting guns." f. "Acre's conquered wall." g. "Soon the *hated heath* was past." h. "They 'gan to reckon kin and rent." i. Lothian heard the Regent's order.

19. Where else in poetry are Yarrow stream and St. Mary's Lake mentioned?

20. Sketch the life of the old Minstrel. Write a character sketch of William of Deloraine; a description of Melrose Abbey by moonlight. Write in your own words the story that the Monk told to William of Deloraine; the conversation in Harold's song, verses 2-5. Compare the ballads sung by Harold and Albert Graeme, and note the different ways of telling a story.

> Autumn day, fruitful day, See what God hath given away:

APPLE PICKING AND NATURE LESSONS.

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The only nature lessons that appeal to children are the informal ones suggested by something in their daily experience. The month of October is rich in such experiences. Every child is interested in the gathering of the crops, whether he helped grow them or not.

Shall we see if there are any nature lessons suggested by apple picking? How old are trees before they bear apples? How long will they continue bearing? Do the trees planted half a century ago bear the same kind of apples as those planted ten years ago? What are the names of some of the older variety of apples? What are some of the more modern ones? Where do new varieties come from? How are they perpetuated? Could we ordinary people originate a new variety of apple? How? If you wanted to start a new orchard, where would you get your trees? If you got them from a nursery, where did the nurseryman get them? If he grew them, how did he grow them?

But, some reader will prefer that I answer these questions before I ask others. Why not set your children at work looking for the answers? They can learn something from the intelligent men of the community — though part of the information they get in this way will be false. Would it not be interesting, however, in any section, to see how many views are held regarding some of the questions already asked?

You, as a teacher, would be wise to get your information from government bulletins or reliable books rather than from some local source. This, of course, applies only to cases where you can't make your own observations first hand.

It is interesting to note that new varieties of apples are appearing on the market. Only last week, I had the privilege of seeing the parent tree of a new variety recently named Evangeline. Evangeline apples are likely to be on the market ten years from now. Yet, at present, only one Evangeline apple tree exists. It is in an orchard owned by Mr. Hunt, South Williamston, Annapolis County. If you ask Mr. Hunt how the tree got there, he will tell you it is a seedling. Well, is that remarkable? Aren't the nurseryman's trees that you were going to buy seedlings? Perhaps not. If not, what are they?

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Orchard trees with fruit are bending, Harvest wains are homeward wending, And the Lord o'er all the land Opens wide His bounteous hand, Children gathering fruits that fall Think of God, who gives them all.