

The Poet's Corner.

The Depredating Hen.

Of all the things in nature that afflict the sons of men,
There is nothing that I know of beats the de-
predating hen;
If you see a wild-eyed woman firing brick-
bats from the shed,
You can bet a hen has busted up her little
flower bed.
She plunders and she scratches, she cackles
and she hatches,
And forty thousand cowboys couldn't keep
her in a pen;
She was sent on earth to fret us, to exorcise
the lettuce;
She's a thorough nuisance, is the depredat-
ing hen.
I threw a brick and missed her, as she hustled
out my beans,
But Julius Caesar's statue was smashed to
smithereens;
I saw her digging rifle pits where I'd put my
posies in,
I fired a good sized rock and hit my hired man
on the shin.
She trusts all bounds and shackles, she gies
and she cackles,
She makes me say some earnest things I
haven't time to say.
I never used bad language, but now I'm filled
with anguish.
Alas! I've broke the record, thro' that depredat-
ing hen.
But 'now thro' out my cabinet there floats a
pleasant smile,
And the reason for that perfume isn't hard to
tell;
For when I rose this morning, saw my cab-
bage bed a wreck,
I caught that depredating hen and fiercely
wrung her neck;
I hear her fizz and crackle, no more shall
scratch and cackle,
Or make my summer garden look like some
hyena's den,
She far too long has bossed me, she far too
much has cost me,
I'll cut at luncheon time today a hundred dol-
lar hen. —The Khan.

Household Hints.

CARE OF SILK.—Never use a brush; it
injuries the goods. Instead, wipe care-
fully with the face of a soft piece of
velvet. Shake the velvet occasionally
and wipe between every plait if you
would preserve your garments and have
it retain its look.

THE VALUE OF TRUE INNOCENCE.—
Surely happiness is reflective, like the
light of heaven; and every countenance
bright with smiles, and flowing with in-
nocent enjoyment, is a mirror transmitting
to others the rays of a supernatural and
ever-shining benevolence.

TO WASH COTTON GOODS.—To wash
cotton goods containing a black figure,
pour boiling suds on the goods and let
stand for a few minutes. This sets the
color, and when neatly washed and
ironed, instead of a faded garment, you
have one as bright and fresh as when
first made.

INFLUENCE OF GREAT THOUGHTS.—
Great thoughts uttered in noble and
"winged words" convey the mental treas-
ures of the period to generations that
follow; and laden with their precious
freight sail safely across gulfs of
time in which empires have suffered
shipwreck and the language of common
life have sunk into oblivion.

A PIE FOR DYSPEPTICS.—Four table-
spoonsful of oatmeal to one pint of wa-
ter; let it stand for a few hours until
the meal is swelled. Then add two
large apples pared and sliced, one cup-
ful of sugar and tablespoonful of flour
and a little salt. Mix all well together
and bake in a buttered dish. This
makes a very fine dish, which may be
eaten safely by the sick or well.

THE USE OF MINERAL WATERS.—The
leading medical journal of France has
published a pamphlet protesting against
the extravagant use of artificial mineral
waters, which, it sets forth, do the
double damage of chilling the stomach, thus
laying the foundation for gastric catarrh,
while the limestone held in deposit in
the carbonated waters find its way into
the kidneys, and eventually produces
Bright's disease.

HOW MUCH DO WE KNOW?—We are
students of words; we are shut up in
schools and colleges and recitation rooms
for ten or fifteen years, and come out at
last with a bag of wind, a memory of
words, and do not know a thing. We
cannot use our hands, or our legs, or our
eyes, or our arms. We do not know an
edible root in the woods, we cannot tell
the course by the stars, nor the hour of
day by the sun.

TO CLEAN LAKE.—Fill a bottle with
cold water; draw a stocking tightly over
it, securing both ends firmly. Place
the lace smoothly over the bottle and
tack closely. Put the bottle in a kettle
of cold water, containing a few shavings
of soap, and place over the fire to boil.
Rinse in several waters and then drain
and dry. When dry remove and place
smoothly in a large bowl and press with
weights. Very nice lace can be made to
look like new by this process.

REAL AND FALSE WORTH.—Because
half a dozen grasshoppers on a farm
make the field ring with their importu-
nate chink, while thousands of great cat-
tle, reposed beneath the shadow of the
British oak, chew the cud and are silent,
pray do not imagine that those who
make the noise are the only inhabitants
of the field, that, of course, they are
many in number, or that, after all, they
are other than the little, shriveled,
neagre, hopping, though loud and trou-
blesome, insects of the hour.

THE WHEEL OF LIFE.—The wheel of
life flies round, and we with it, expecting
that the motion will some day slacken,
and that then life may be ordered anew
and omissions be made good. But real
wisdom consists in seizing the flying mo-
ment, and in pressing upon it the seal
of the eternal and enduring; that is the
great course of moral endeavor under
which life receives its due form, like
the block of marble under the
hands of the sculptor. The eternal
and enduring here, on earth, consists in
the morally artistic use of time.

HOW TO GET RID OF VERMIN.—A
writer says he cleared his premises of all
detectable vermin by making whitewash
yellow with copperas and covering the
stones and rafters in the cellar with it.
In every crevice in which a rat might go,
he put the crystals of the copperas, and
scattered it in the corners of the floor.

The result was the complete
ance of rats and mice. Every pig
the collar is coated with the yellow
as a purifier, and as a rat exterminator,
and no typhoid, dysentery, or other at-
tacks the family.

BEAUTY.—People's ideas of beauty dif-
fer so widely that what is all loveliness to
one may be the positive reverse to an-
other. Beauty is regulated by no
arbitrary rule. Women cannot be too
much upon their guard, or too careful
and exacting in the choice of a lover.
It is lunacy to suffer the effusions to be
taken captive by beauty, genius or cap-
tivating powers before the reason is con-
vinced of the soundness of principle,
purity of faith and integrity of mind of
the future husband; for one must look
beyond the days of courtship, beyond the
calm pleasant evenings, beyond the
day of days, the white gloves, and the
orange blossoms, all tremulous with the
excitement of the wearer. The after
years cannot be sustained in happiness
on good looks.

Albert A. Meade, of Santa Fe, N. M.,
had an altercation with his partners in
regard to the possession of certain papers
and money, which resulted in the shoot-
ing of three of them named Hands,
Harvey Meade and Joe Downing, kill-
ing them. Finally another partner
Fred Meade arrived on the scene and
shot Albert, killing him. The coroner's
jury acquitted Fred.

All in the Family.

From The St. Louis Globe-Democrat.
A romantic marriage took place recently in
Jeffersonville, Ky., where Esquire Ware,
Win. Brown and Mary Sanders were the
contracting parties. They claim their home in
North County, fourteen miles from Har-
lesville. The groom is about 30 years of age,
and the bride is about 15. Brown was a
punter that struck him about the knees. His
coat looked like the remnant of a soldier coat.
The bride's dress was of a bright red, but
looked as if it had been worn many years. On
her bosom she wore a sunflower of the largest
size.

It appears that Brown's brother Sam
and Mary were to have eloped at the same time
as William and his sister. In order to throw off
suspicion the girls were exchanged. Mary went
with William and her sister went with Sam.
They eloped Wednesday night. They had got
but a short distance from the home of the girls
when their father learned of their departure. He
started in pursuit on horseback, and overtook
them about four miles from home. They were
in a hurry, and the old man grabbed the horse
in the rear by the tail. Seeing the predicament
they were in the foremost couple gave
a whip to the horse and were soon out of
sight. They could not go back to him, and the
other pair, so, after talking the matter over,
they concluded that they would get married
and make all right with the other party
when they got home.

They did not seem to be bothered about it,
and when asked if there would be trouble when
they went home, the groom said:

"No, I guess not. Both girls are about
alike, but I never went to see this one. I will
make it all right with Sam when I get home."

The Prince of Wales' Heir.

From The London Letter.
In everything except the indispensable
tawny beard that falls like a roll of dead gold
to the extremity of a massive chest, Prince
Albert Victor, the eldest son of the Prince
of Wales, models himself on Ouida's heroes. He
is as fond of knock-knocks as Lady. His
private apartments are the nearest approach
to the talented but vulgar author's ideal of a
young Guardsman's rooms. He would not
brush his hair otherwise than with an ivory-
backed brush to save his life. Eau de Cologne
and other perfumes have their place in his
toilet. To write a note on paper is not the
triumph of the performer's art would be
in his own imagination, he is unworthy of
his tastes and position. He has started in
life, in fact, as an expert of the George
IV. type; but luckily for himself and for the
nation, he is preserved from some of the most
objectionable traits of the "First Gentleman's"
character by the sensitive shyness of his dis-
position. He differs again from most ex-
quisites in having a praiseworthy desire to pay
promptly for the luxuries in which he in-
dulges. Indeed, he worries his attendants to
worry his tradespeople to send in their bills
sharp, and frets and fumes if the attire shop-
keeper-alive to the value of having the
future King of England upon their books
within decent limits—delay in delivering their
accounts. Like his father, he gets his clothes
—and plenty of them—from Poole. Prince
Albert Victor's idea of dignified muffs is a
frock coat and lavender or gray trousers. He
seldom wears a waistcoat, and even when
traveling hardly ever appears in a suit of dis-
tinction. On the whole, he may be described as
a very stately and solemn young man.

Long Distance Cavalry Rides.

From The St. James' Gazette.
Long distance rides were a feature of the
army exercises in India last season. Capt.
Dean-Pitt, officiating A.Q.M.G. of the Mhow
Division, has issued a pamphlet in which the
official reports are reproduced, giving full
particulars of each.
The most important experiment, in point of
numbers engaged, was that which was under-
taken by Gen. Luck during the camp of ex-
ercise at Sibi. Here a complete cavalry
brigade, consisting of the 5th Bombay
Cavalry and the Belooch Horse, nearly 800
all told, was called out, and Gen. Luck
to have aimed at giving as practical a charac-
ter as possible to the enterprise. In his be-
lief, distance marches performed by a few
specially trained and selected men of no
value as proofs of what the regiments can per-
form; hence the calling out of two entire
regiments.
An old horse, over 14 years old, broke down
after the first 20 miles; another fell out at 30
miles. Others of the old horses were exhausted
later in the march, and two died. These
casualties happened in the Fifth Cavalry. The
Belooch Regiment was more fortunate, for
of the 23 who started, only two were unable to
complete the march. In the detailed account
of the condition of the horses of the Royal
Artillery which took part in the long march
from Kimpur to Jodhpur and back, weak-
ness and age certainly are not shown to have
gone together, a 15-year-old horse being en-
tered as fitly good condition after a march of
315 miles; while horses of 12, 13 and 15
included among the class in good condition.

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It is a bad practice to drive sheep
much about the farm, and especially
along a dusty road, when the weather is
so warm that they are obliged to open
their mouths for breath. One such
over-heating, though its effect may not
be immediately perceptible, is liable to
throw the sheep off condition and work
an injury from which it will not recover
in a month. If sheep must be moved
in hot weather the driver ought to be
up and on the road at the first peep of
day, then call a halt at nine o'clock or
before, for the heat of the day. Sheep
are cowardly at night, especially if it is
dark, but on a moonlight night they can
be driven without trouble until
midnight. Sheep ought to lead a tran-
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How a Dude Caught Cold.

A slim young man in the height of
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car, when a companion remarked, "Aw,
Chase, dear boy, how d'ye catch that
dreadful cold." "Aw, dear fellow, I
came in the lower hall to-day, and
in sucking the ivory tassel, so
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