I did but dream. I never knew What charms our sternest season
Was never yet the sky se blue,
Was never earth so white before. Till now I never saw the glow Of sunset on yon hills of snow, And never learned the bough's designs Of beauty in its leafless lines.

Did ever such a morning break,
As that my entern windows see?
Did ever such a moonlight take
Weird photographs of shrub and tree?
Rang ever bells so wild and fleet,
The music of the winter street?
Was ever yet a sound by half
So merry as yon school-by slaugh?

O Earth! with gladness overfraught,
No added charm thy face hath found,
Within my heart the change is wrought,
My footsteps make enchanted ground.
From couch of pain and curlender orom,
Forth to thy light and air I come,
To find in all that meets my eyes
The freshness of a glad surprise.

Fair seem these wintry days, and soon Shall blow the warm west winds of spring
To set the unbound rills in tune,
And hither urge the bluebird's wing.
The vales shall laugh in flowers, the woods
Grow misty green with leating buds,
And violets and wild flowers sway
Against the throbbing heart of May.

Break forth, my lips, in praise, and own
The wiser love severely kind;
Since, richer for its chastening grown,
I see, whereas I once was blind.
The world, O Father, hath not wronged
With loss the life by Thee prolonged;
But still, in every added year,
More beautiful Thy works appear!

As Thou hast made Thy world without,
Make Thou more fair my world within;
Shine through its lingering clouds of doubt,
Rebuke its haunting shapes of sin;
Fill, brief or long, my granted span
Of life with love to Thee and man;
Strike when Thou wilt the hour of rest

Strike when Thou wilt the hour of rest, But let my last days be my best!

—John G. Whittier.

Burdette's Fishing.

die; insects would become so numerous that no living thing could withstand the boys that I could do a little plain fishing, but I didn't want to be set down for anything with any kind of fluting, embroidery, knife-plaiting, or anything of that kind about it. I birds, such as grouse, prairie-hens, etc., which feed upon them.

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away with my line. at me. "Let him run! Keep your sects he devours, than the harms he line taut! Don't give him an inch of does in the few grains of corn he pulls slack! Look out! Don't let him do up. He is one of the farmer's best that again! Let him run! Now bring friends. - Home Journal. him in this-Look out! Don't let him do that again!"

By this time I was so excited I was on the point of throwing down the pole and rushing out into the lake, inThe startling decrease in the numbers of him to death. I screamed to Mr. Dun-lap, "You can take the pole and land for the sake of fashion, has aroused the him-I never can."

his own pole, lance fashion, into the and decided effort in behalf of our birds. woods.

"Here!" he shouted, rushing down the bank about twenty feet below me, This committee was lately organized in stooping down and spreading out his arms. "Here! Now! Bring him in here through the shoal watar! I'll get the through the shoal watar! I'll get the

shore. He was a beauty. A little William Brewster, Cambridge, Mass.; Mr. sunfish, about 3½ inches long. It was a long time before we said Col. N. S. Goss, Topeka, Kansas.

anything. Mr. Dunlap climbed a big The objects of the committee are s birch-tree in the top of which his pole | follows: had lodged, and we resumed our tish- 1. The gathering of all possible infor ing. Presently Charley Armknecha mation bearing on the subjects of the decoughed, and I said, "How funny the struction and the protection of North frogs sound over in the marsh."

silently, and by and by he said the robbing of birds' nests; the destruction of

any of us very badly.

The Law of Finding.

regulations in regard to lost property as soon as attention is called to the subject, which will blind their employes, but 3. To encourage the formation of bird they cannot bind the public. The protective associations and anti-bird-wearlaw of finding was declared by the ing leagues. King's Bench one hundred years ago, 4. The perfection of a statute for the

a sum of money on a shop floor. He the game birds, properly so considered, handed the wallet and contents to the to the care of the game protective associshopkeeper to be returned to the own. ations. er. After three years, during which the owner did not call for his property, the finder demanded the wallet and the money from the shopkeeper. The latter refused to deliver them, upon the ter refused to deliver them, upon the ground that they were found upon his premises. The former then sued the shopkeeper, and it was held, as above set forth, that, against all the world but for securing the enforcement of bird prothe owner the title of the finder is per- tective statutes. fect, and the finder has been held to The committee is desirous of collecting stand in the place of the owner, so that facts and statistics bearing upon the sub he was permitted to prevail in an ac- ject of the destruction of our birds, and tion against a person who found an will welcome information from any article which the plaintiff had originally source. It also extends the promise of

found, but subsequently lost. regard to articles lost, unless those protection of our oirds. rights are conferred by statute. Receivers of articles stolen are trustees for History, Central Park, New York city, rights are conferred by statute. Rethe owner or finder. They have no where the officers or any of the member power in the absence of special statute may be addressed. to keep an article against the finder. any more than a finder has to retain E. H.THOMSON'S an article against the owner. - Pan Han-

dle Grocer. An Outcast.

Picture to yourself an outcast of New York. Probably you will clothe him raggedly, and give to him an air of abject poverty. That is reasonable Finished in Oil, Water Colors or India Ink. you say. Let me describe another sort. He is garbed in fashionable good PHOTOGRAPHS taste. He has the unmistakable mien of prosperity; and well he may, for he is more than a millionaire. Some say he owns \$3,000,000. He is seated in a handsome carriage, drawn by as good taken and satisfaction guaranteed. a pair of herses as are likely to be seen

livery of his coachman and footman is in the latest style of flunkevism; and the uninformed spectator would say that here was one of the gods of society. His residence is a magnificent house at Ingleside, a suburb where many pretentious families live. The utmost refinements of luxury are' at his command. Nevertheless, he is an outcast. His neighbors ignore him. The low fence head and hea around his grounds might as well be a Chinese wall. He is under taboo. His loneliness would not be greater were he a monk in a cell. This is Charles T. Howard-or was, for he died a few days ago. He was a professional gambler, and his immense fortune grew out of his lottery business. Of course he might have been the center of as large a circle of friends as he chose, had he selected them from among people who had no prejudice against his calling; but he located, instead, in a commun

Cor. Evening Journal. What the Birds Accomplish.

ity of self-sufficient, scrupulously exact-

ing folks, and so became as completely

an outcast as though he had tramped the country in grime and tatters .-

The swallow, swift, and night-hawk Dress Goods Etc., are the guardians of the atmosphere. They check the increase of insects that otherwise would overload it. Woodpeckers, creepers, and chickadees are the guardians of the trunks of trees. Warblers and flycatchers protect the SOLIEL DRESS GOODS BLACK foliage. Blackbirds, crows, thrushes, and larks protect the soil under the surface. Each tribe has its respective duties to perform in the economy of nature; and it is an undoubted fact that if the birds were all swept off the SAMPLE ROOMS. face of the earth, man could not live I landed my first pickerel the first upon it; vegetation would wither and

corn and fruit taken by them is more "It's a pickerel," shouted Mr. Dun- than compensated by the quantities of lap, with intense excitement. "A big noxious insects they destroy. The CHI fellow,—take out your lines," he yelled | long-persecuted crow has been found, to the rest of them. "Give him plenty of room! Play him!" he shrieked by the vast quantities of grubs and in-

Protection- For The Birds.

Bird destruction in this country is every tending to run the fish down and kick | many of our birds, brought about of late American Ornitologists' Union to a He refused. He turned and hurled recognition of the necessity for instant To arswer this imperative demand the Union has appointed a "Committee on the him! Careful, now! Careful! Steady! Allen, Dr. J. B. Holder, Dr. George Bird Grinnell, Mr. William Dutcher and Mr. And flip, flap, I had him on the L. S. Foster, all of New York city; Mr. Montague Chamberlain, St. John, N. B.

American birds.

And then we laughed a long time at the people in respect to the extent of the the frogs. A long, long time, and very slaughter of birds for millinery and ether And Mr. Dunlap fished on very birds in sport by men and boys; the mercenary purposes; the wanton kill ng of fish wouldn't bite when there was so the eggs of rails, terns, gulls and other much noise. So we held our hush birds for food; and the marked recent deand the fish bit. But they didn't bite crease of many species resulting from this general destruction; the spreading of information, also, in respect to the utility of birds as a natural check upon the in-The law of finding is this: The find-The law of inding is this: The finder has clear title against the world, except the owner. The proprietor of a coach, or a railroad car, or a ship, has no right to demand the property on a premise. Such proprietors may make premise. Such proprietors may make naturally spring up strongly and widely

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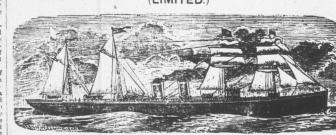
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