

POETRY.

THE ACRES AND THE HANDS.

BY DUGANNE.

"The Earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof,"
Says God's most holy word ;
The water hath fish, and land hath flesh,
And the air had many a bird ;
And the soil is teeming o'er the earth,
And the earth hath numberless hands ;
Yet millions of hands want acres,
While millions of acres want hands.

Sunlight and breeze, and gladsome flowers,
Are o'er the earth spread wide ;
And the good God gave these gifts to men,
To men who on earth abide ;
Yet thousands are toiling in poisonous gloom,
And shackled with iron bands,
While millions of hands want acres,
And millions of acres want hands.

Never a rood hath a poor man here,
To plant with a grain of corn—
And never a plot where his child may cull
Fresh flowers in dewy morn ;
The soil lies fallow, the weeds grow rank,
Yet idle the poor man stands !
Ah ! millions of hands want acres,
And millions of acres want hands.

ON LISTENING TO EVIL REPORTS.—The longer I live the more I feel the importance of adhering to the rule which I have laid down for myself in relation to such matters:—"1. To hear as little as possible whatever is to the prejudice of others. 2. To believe nothing of the kind till I am absolutely forced to it. 3. Never to drink in the spirit of one who circulates an ill report. 4. Always to moderate, as far as I can, the unkindness which is expressed toward others. 5. Always to believe that, if the other side was heard, a very different account would be given of the matter."
—*Carus's Life of Sir Jon.*

DIFFICULTY.—What is difficulty? Only a word indicating the degree of strength requisite for accomplishing particular objects; a mere notice of the necessity for exertion; a bugbear to children and fools; only a mere stimulus to men.—*Warren.*

HUMILITY.—A humble man is like a good tree, the fuller of fruit the lower the branches hang.

WORDS AND DEEDS.—A man's words may pass away, but his deeds will be remembered if they are worthy of record.

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