Memory Gems.

Such is the patriot's boast, where'er we roam, His first best country ever is at home.

Old England is our home and Englishmen are we, Our tongue is known in every clime, our flag on every sea.

—Mary Howitt.

No change of circumstances can repair a defect of character.

When a man dies they who survive him ask what property he has left behind. The angel who bends over the dying man asks what good deeds he has sent before him. - The Koran.

Not in the clamor of the crowded street Not in the shouts and plaudits of the throng, But in ourselves are triumph and defeat.

Be England what she will, With all her faults, she is my country still.

Arm of Erin, prove strong, but be gentle as brave, And uplifted to strike, still ready to save. -Dr. William Dreanan

O Scotia! my dear, my native soil! For whom my warmest wish to heaven is sent; Long may thy hardy sons of rustic toil

Be blest with health, and peace and sweet content!

There ought to be a system of manners in every nation, which a well-formed mind would be disposed to relish. To make us love our country, our country ought to be lovely.

"Glorious is the world of God around us, but more glorious is the world of God within us."-Sel.

BUSY WORK.

Make sentences in which the following words are used correctly; Sweet, suite; sold, soled; sentry, century; steal, steel; serge, surge; statute, statue; slay, sleigh; soared, sword; sale, sail; seen, scene; sees, seas, seize; stationary, stationery; surplus, surplice; stile, style; seam, seem; slight, sleight; stair, stare; size, sighs; re-seat, receipt; rye, wry; time, thyme; thrown, throne; tied, tide; to, two, too; told, tolled; tax, tacks; team, teem; through, threw; toe, tow; trait, tray; tear, tier; tease, teas; tail, tale; their, there; track, tract; use, ewes; urn, earn; vain, vane, vein; veil, vale; vocation, vacation; veracity, voracity; witch, which; wither, whither; Wales, whales, wails; way, whey, weigh; weak, week; wait, weight; wood would; ware, wear; wade, weighed; waist, waste; weather, wether, whether; weakly, weekly; white, wight; wig, whig; yolk, yoke; zeal, seal.

SEAT WORK FOR MAY.

- 1. Model and draw a horse's hoof.
- 2. Model and draw a cow's hoof. 3. Model and draw a cow's horn.
- 4. Draw and paint bunch of lilac blossoms.
- 5. Model, draw, sew various kinds of fishes.
- 6. Press, draw, sew ferns.
- 7. Draw morning-glory.
- 8. Paint, model, sew a frog.

- 9. Draw fishing hook.
- Draw, model, sew straw hat.
 Model, draw, sew turtle.
- 12. Draw bees.
- 13. Draw and sew beehive and bees.
- 14. Model and draw cocoons.
- 15. Model, draw, and sew butterflies.
- 16. Draw and paint mayflowers.
- 17. Draw bean taken from soil after it has sprouted."
- 18. Draw bean after it is out of the ground two
 - 19. Same after six days.

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CURRENT EVENTS.

The quiet advance of the French armies in southeastern Morocco is adding to the extent of French territory in North Africa. A railway is being pushed through the conquered region, to connect Algeria with the French possessions on the head waters of the Niger and the Senegal.

A great battle has been fought between two native rulers in Central Arabia, to decide which of them should be Sultan of Nejd, the fertile plateau in the centre of the great Arabian desert The battle was for the most part a hand to hand encounter of men armed with swords, and 5000 men are said to have been killed.

A force of British and Abyssinian troops is to be sent against the Mad Mullah, a native leader who is gathering a large army in the upper Nile region.

The Cape to Cairo Railway is being extended from Buluwayo, the capital of Rhodesia, to Wanki, a place about 200 miles farther north, where a great discovery of coal has been made. It has been found that the Zambesi can easily be crossed at this point.

No decisive action is yet reported from South Africa. While there are almost daily reports of the capture or surrender of small parties of the enemy, there are still able Boer leaders in the field, with some thousands of followers, and the end seems no nearer than it did a month ago.

The English language is now spoken by one hundred and fifteen million people; Russian, by eighty million; German, by seventy million; Spanish, by fifty million, and French by forty-five million. The German emperor's recent order for the compulsory teaching of English in the high schools of Germany recognizes the growing importance of the English language in international affairs.

A successful sun motor is in operation in California. It is formed of mirrors so arranged that they focus their reflected heat upon a boiler; and is used for pumping water for irrigation.

The Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, N. Y., is now open to the public. The formal opening exercises will take place on the 20th of this month. It is expected that President McKinley, the presidents of several South and Central American republics, and the Gov-