

THE BUCK AGUE.

BY E. S. VAN DYKE.

Buck-ague is supposed to be mere sentiment, which causes a person to doer. But the true buck-ague is described.

Light and frosty is the morn,
The autumn air is borne
Aard, inspiring thrilling sounds,
Singing tones of eager hounds,
Now their music gaily floats,
In wild, tumultuous notes!
Hearing from the mountain side,
Singing, wailing, like the tide,
Singing loud across the dell
And demonium's carnival

Life's stream in wild career,
Or breaks it on our ear;
Joy and fear alternate play;
Joy or may not come our way.

Or, nearer by the pack,
Reverses gambol o'er our back;
Obs from end to end to tangle;
Lost heart our knee-pans jingle.
Shes round as gaily scramble,
Nape sensations o'er us-able.
Four heart errand beat,
Only melt with inward heat;
Teh convulsively the gun,
By come with rapid run.

K! A sound along the ground
G hoof and lightning bound!
Glowed by a smash and crash,
Ugh the brush with headlong dash.
What a stroke of luck!
Oward us comes a noble buck,
At a grand and splendid sight!
Sung eye, so wildly bright,
And defiance seems to shed!
Enters branching o'er his head,
Agged base and polished line,
In morning sun they shine!
Assive neck and brawny chest!
Rueful form and glossy vest!

fty spring he spurns the ground,
Arts the brush with towering bound,
On aloft, flirts high his tail
Unding ship his snowy sail.
Ek he flies the opening through,
With his flag one last adieu,
Es from our enraptured eye,
The dogs come fawning by.

ts and snore! What the!—Why?
Id it all! Why didn't I—
er! Why in thunder?
Plague take it! Such a blunder!
A so, good to see him run,
Thought about the gun!

Miscellaneous.

is to have a hunt organized, the
sportsmen purposing to keep up
exhorts.

they won £10,000 on O'Leary's
W-ton, which he has devoted
nation of the Worcester Cath-

upplies the finest rhubarb and
in the New York market. The
rown in galleries 20 feet under
ned by Col. Rhodes, of Quebec.

oc years old thought the death of
goldfish was simply due to the
coudnt take a joke. He used to
be a crooked pin, just for a joke.

erect and chop it up fine and
ance, take a tencupful and put
rt of meal, and feed to a cow
r has lumps in it, and they are
one. An exchange says this
uffable

y at 12, said Little Johnny, des
ill at a church fair. "You ce
ely n give half a dollar for a
m. I, an other fellow always gets
y. I've got my own way

enging to Mr. Duncan McDonald,
ation, was covered up in a potato
B, and was not found till a couple
of years. When the farmer went to
the potato field, he found it

AN EXCEPTION IN FAVOR OF CATS.

It was an Englishman who was awaken-
ed at the dead hour of night (1.30 a.m.),
quite recently, by the action of a pet cat.
The feline, springing upon his bed, scratched
the sleeper's face. Instead of hurling a boot-
jack and forty quarto pages of oaths after
the disturber of his slumbers (as many a
superficially-witted American would have
done, thereat-r spinning lengthy yarns
about vampire cats), the man rose and dis-
covered a burglar in his room. This charm-
ing bit of exploration was added to by the
vigilance of the lady of the house, who, look-
ing under the bed—as all sensible women
do—found there another intruder. Both
felons were sentenced to seven years' penal
servitude. Pussy realizes that the huleyon
days of cats have returned.

A GIANT.

Benjamin Daniels, a farmer, recently died at
Seratby, England. Daniels is said to be the last
of the East Anglin giants. His height was six
feet six inches. He weighed twenty-four stone,
and measured twenty inches from shoulder to
shoulder across the back. He has been known
to carry four bushels of wheat under each arm
at one time, and when in great haste to have his
farm work done, horses being much engaged, to
harness himself to a harrow and perform the
work of an animal.

DARK STABLES.

It is an established fact that dark stables
tend to produce blindness in animals. A
veterinary surgeon says: "Darkness produces
blindness, because nature is outraged in the
fact that the sight of the eye is destroyed by
want of light to present objects properly to
the vision, and thus, by continued inactivity,
producing blindness. Even so is blindness,
or imperfect vision, produced by an over-
action of light upon the retina of the eye, as
is always the case when light is admitted by
a window, directly in front of the horse.
Nothing is worse than this light so admitted.
Nature is outraged, and as a penalty we have
nervous fretful horses, shyers, cribbers,
balkers, runaways, and anything but a re-
liable, pleasant horse."

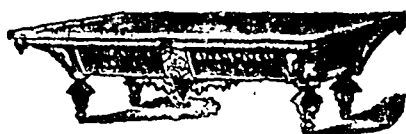
From both New Zealand and Tasmania satis-
factory news has been received regarding the in-
troduction of trout and salmon into various
waters at the antipodes. In New Zealand, it is
stated, many of the streams are well stocked
with trout, and fly-fishing is successfully carried
on. The authorities expect before long to have
salmon fisheries permanently established in the
island. The latest accounts as to the establish-
ment of salmon in Tasmania state that the Gov-
ernor lately fished in the river Derwent, his cap-
ture for two evenings being stated as follows:
One salmon weighing 8½ pounds, one salmon
trout, 4 pounds, one trout 3 pounds, one 1½
pounds, one 1½ pounds, and another ½ pound.
The captor and others, it is said, were easily
able to distinguish the difference between the
true salmon and the trout, and are quite con-
fident that two of the fish taken were true salmon.

Miss Grundy tells a story to illustrate the
value set by Kentuckians from the "Blue
Grass" section on horse knowledge. A gen-
tleman from Frankfort was standing with
another Kentuckian in front of the Ebbitt
House, Washington, recently, and a third
man, who had just come from Lexington,
approached. The Frankfort man soon
queried of the last comer, "What horses are
to run at Lexington at the spring meeting?"
"I don't know," answered the other care-
lessly. At this the blood mounted in the
questioner's face, and he walked abruptly
away, saying to every acquaintance he met,
"I'll be blamed if I ever met such a blamed
fool as that. Just from Lexington, and the
race is to come off within six weeks, and
don't know what horses are to run! I'll be
blamed if ever I know anything he asks me
after this."

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