







Poetry.

The Relief of Lucknow.

Wildly raged the battle,
Wildly flew the shot,
Slaying men by hundreds—
Yet they faltered not.

Sons of stanch old England,
Hopes had long gone by,
Never would they yield them,
Better far to die.

On the field of slaughter
Slept a soldier's head,
Drearily of his birchland,
Headless of the strife.

Suddenly she starteth—
Beneath eager ear—
"Courage men! the phibock!
Gallant friends are near.

"Nay, I am no dreaming—
Well I know the call
Of Macgregor's slogan,
Grandest of them all."

Hopefully one moment
Every eye was fixed,
Then they softly whispered,
"Josie's brain is crazed."

Once again she speaks she—
"O well say ye I've—
Hear ye not the Cannells?
God be thanked! we're saved!"

Every knee was bended,
Tearful every eye;
Sobs and broken murmurs
Told the soldier's joy.

Then a mighty cheering
Burst from all the line,
Whilst the Scots advancing
Sounded "Auld Lang Syne."

Bravely sped the warfare,
Gallant was the show,
"O the God of battles,
Yielded us to thee." A. V.

—From the American Traveller.

Agriculture.

Lameness in Horses.

BY W. PIERCE, V. S., HAVENNA, ONT.
Why are so many horses lame? This question every practitioner is frequently asked. Lameness is becoming so common that we scarcely find a horse that is not either lame, or if he is not so, it is because both feet are alike stiff and sore.

Miscellaneous.

Lucknow.

Brigadier Inglis draws the following picture of the state of the Garrison of Lucknow, previous to its being relieved:—
If further proof be wanting of the desperate nature of the struggle which we have under God's blessing, so long and so successfully waged, I would point to the roofless and ruined houses, to the crumbled walls, to the exploded mounds, to the open trenches, to the shattered and disabled guns and defences, and, lastly, to the long and melancholy list of the brave and devoted officers and men who have fallen.

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