

## Our Puzzle Corner.

*This Department is specially adapted to the young folks, but it will be found to contain matter interesting and instructive to older heads. Contributions for this Department are solicited. All Puzzles, Enigmas, &c., must be accompanied by the answers, and the real name of the writer. The name of the writer will not be published unless so requested, and the answers will not be published until the week after the insertion of the puzzle, thereby giving others a chance to solve.*

### ENIGMA NO. 25.

I am composed of 16 letters.  
 My 1, 8, 3, 15, 5, 14, 7, 2, 13, 10, 11, 12, 13, 6, 4, 16 is of much use to the farmer, it is also my whole.  
 My 1, 3, 5, 12 is a month in the year.  
 My 15; 3, 4, 6, 7 is what my whole is.  
 My 13, 2, 14, 16 we sometimes see on streams.  
 My 7, 8, 9, 10 is a part of a house.  
 My 1, 8, 11, 5 a boy's name.  
 My whole is a paper which no farmer should be without.

NELLIE.

### DROP LETTER PUZZLE NO. 14.

Wt al h s u l o v g d b v A d s h s l t y e g b u l v.

### ANSWERS.

Enigma No. 24.—Coat, bean, Sesame, house, Sun, Stone: *Boston Massachusetts.*  
 Word Puzzle No. 6.—*Charlotte.*  
 Decapitation No. 2.—Drear, rear, ear, dear, re.  
 Letter Puzzle No. 2.—The letter "C."

**LANGUAGE AMONG ANIMALS.**—M. Houzeau maintains that not only does each group of animals possess language which is understood by other members of the same group, but that they can learn to understand the language of other groups. His dogs, for instance, perfectly understood his poultry. Cocks and hens have one danger signal for the approach of a bird of prey, another for that of a terrestrial animal or for a man. When the latter was sounded the dogs would rush out and bark, while to the former they paid no attention whatever. He therefore concludes that fowls have the power of expressing slightly different but closely allied ideas, and dogs can learn to understand these differences.

**DURABILITY OF TIMBER.**—The stones of which the great temples of Egypt were constructed forty centuries ago were connected by dovetail-shaped ties of wood, which are found now to be perfectly sound, notwithstanding their great age. An examination of the roof of Westminster Abbey, London, made recently, showed that the timbers which were eight hundred years old were perfectly sound.

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