

But now the field is vold and shill; And, wandering thitler, I have found

The heardest spears in sheaves will b And stocked in many golden mound. And while coal evening survey grows, And o er the subset's dying too. The first great while star throbs and glows,

And from the clear cash and of clare Toy ascendant harvest moon floats tak Through dreamy deeps and purple air.

And in among the s'antesl sheaves A tender light its glumour weaves, A lovely light that lures, decuyes-

Then swavel by Fance's dear command. Amil the past 1 sermed to stand, In hallowed Bethleio m's harvest land? And through the dim field, vague descried,

A homeworl host of shadows glole, And sickles gooth on every side. Shadows of mon and maid I trace,

With shapes of strength and shapes of grace. Yet gaze but on a single face-

A candid brow, still smooth with youth r A transfull suite; a mich of truth – The patient, stars yed gleaner, Ruth! – (Edgar Fawceit,

## DAPPLE'S MISTRESS.

BY ENMA G. JONES.

"Stop, Dapple; we must look to dist."

The scene was a green stretch of there is no time to lose ?" summer lawn in front of a fine old slight, bright-faced girl, gracefully reaching the lawn below. monuted on a small, gray poay.

with now and then the muffled roll of a drum or the shrill bray of a bugle.

the sunny South, was overrun with from you. Goodsby, Dapple?" soldie, s, d vastated by fire and sword, thunders of civil war.

Colonel Moreton was far away . Come, sir," she said, vallow me from his pleasant home, in the front to help you to mount. Dapple, take In handling most animals some degree ranks of death and danger; but Irene, this genitearm down the river-road, Lis only child, still braved the terrors and at your atmost speed." of invasion, and remained at the farmhouse with her invalid mother and a but the soldier hesitated. few faithful old servants.

troops, something attracted the young self and me?" haly's notice-a prostrate figure under the shade of the great cottonwood Tree:

this F

Dapple stopped and Miss Irene leaped lightly from her saddle, and throwing the silken relu- ever the pony's neck. the went tripping across the grounds of Virginia peace and freedom to the spot where the figure lay.

It was a tall, sublicity figure chal in nut hair

stirring within her bosom.

"Poor fellow," she murmured, lay- obtain. it g her soft hand upon his brow; 94 wish I could help him."

called back the veteran's wandering off on a tour amid the Swise mountains, peratingly studied brute than a sheep senses. He opened his eyes and looked. Dapple went with him, as he alwaya up in the young lady's face. Great, did since that eventful night when the iuminous, handsome eyes they were, brave little pony hore him safely bethat somehow reminded Irene of her youd reach of the enemy. He had

Irene kept watch, he slight, willowy figure wrapped in a scarlet mautle, pot in her slim white hand, uttered a her flossy, raven tresses floa ing on sharp little cry, and wasted all the the win Is. By and by, as the midnight stars feet. ante out and glittered overhead, above the dreamy flow of the river, above the murmur and rustic of the forest knew it is an instant. He broke into leaves, arose the clash and clang, the a jayous neigh, and shot like an arrow roar and tramp of advancing troops. for the young lady's side. She caught

veranda with a swift step and tapped she was. lightly at the door of her guest's \*Oh, chamber. "They are coming," she whispered;

"they will take you prisoner if you remain. You must go." The soldier started to his feet and

ing for breath. "l can't walk !" he cried; "there's

no hope of escape!" But Irene held out her lithe, young

arms. "Lean on me; I can help you down. up, the river-road, and you shall over ake me and Dapple forever?" your comrades by dawn. Hurry!

The soldier leaned upon the brave, Virginia farm houser the speaker a helpful young arm, and succeeded in she said, wickedly, what never again

The sun was dropping out of sight her clear, divor notes, became here?" behind the green kills, and for away, . In a breath Dapple was at her side, down the sliver bend of the Accoreck The girl stood and looked at the gen. A month fater saw Dapple's mistress came the trainp of retreating troops, the creature, and then threw her arms his wife .- New York Weekly, about his neek.

soth, Dapple, pretty Dapple," she Old Virginia, the queen mother of subled, vit breaks my heart to part In the next breath she stood erect, sinken to ber very foundations by the hor eyes flashing through a mist of Icars.

Dapple uttered a sagacious whinny,

Cantering across the grounds, an cried the girl, impatiently, hour after the retreat of the invading you remain here and ruin both your- die of cold and exposure rather than

> He vaulted into the saddle without a word.

"Away, Dapple, like the wind!" estop, Dapple, we must look to cried frene, and the little mountain pony shot off fills an arrow.

. . . . . The war was over, and once more over the blasted and desolated homes reigned

Captain Rutherford made it his busiarmy blue, with a pule, worn face, ness to go back to the Potomae hills, and an abundance of curling, clust- and to Colonel Moreton's farm-house the moment he was discharged from

down upon the senseless soldier with homostead stood he found nothing but sense enough to seek shelter under the all her woman's divine compassion a mass of mins, and of Dapple's miss lev of the fearer, as a horse or deg tress not the slightest tidings could be

Three years went by, and the excaptain found himself the weathy but the whole flock will follow its The soft voice and the softer touch later of an old uncle, and took himself leader to destruction. No more exast

came ambling forth. Madam Lenoir's companion, advancing with the coffee. coffee on the rustling leaves at her

"Oh, Dapple, Dapple1" she cried. Dapple heard the sweet voice, and Irene's dark face flushed, and her his shaggy head and held it close to instrons eyes dilated. She crossed the her bosom, subbing i ke the silly child

"Oh, Dapple, my pretty Dapple, have I found you at last?" Madame Lenoir, comprehending the

denouement, looked on with glistening eyes. Two weeks later the pleasant party made his way out, but he recleid was breaking up. Madame and her against the door-post, faint and ga-p- party were going back to France. "And now, Irene," said the captain, "how is it to be? You will not listen

to my suit or accept my love? Then you will be forced to part from Dapple again. She is mine by the right "Yes, there is," she said, cheerfully, of ponession. I cannot give her Come, now, give me your final and you shall ride Dapple. He knows decision-are you willing to part from Irene tooked up with her old glori-

fying smile. "I could bear to part from you," from Dapple. If you take Dapple you "Dapple !" the young girl called, in will have to take her mistress, too, Captain Ratherford."

And the captain made no objection.

The Foolish Sheep. "No animal that walks on four legs is as hig a fool is a stamp," says a

sheep raiser. "We have to watch them every minute and if vigilance is relaxed for an instant the entire flock Is likely to practically commit suicide. of self-help or intelligence can be relied on to aid the owner in saving their lives, but sheep seem to set deliberately to work to kill themselves. "Why, don't you mount, sir?" If caught in a storm on the plains owni they will drift before the wind and move 100 yards to wintward to obtain shelter in their corral. To drive sheep against the wind is absolutely impossible. I once lost over 1000 head because I could not drive them to a corral not 200 feet away. In the corral they are still more foolish. If a storm comes up they all move down wind until stopped by the fence. Then begins the proceedings so much dreaded by sheepmen, known as spling." The sheep will climb over each other's backs until they are locaped up ten feet high. Of course, all those at the Colonel Moreton's daughter looked service; but where the stately old bottom are smochared. Not one has would do. Again, if a sheep gets into a quicksand its fate teaches nothing to those who come immediately after,

> walks."--[San F.ancheo Chroniele, A Wooden Ten Service.

County Commissioner Tolunn Ins a

ALTER FRITTER That would the Unline do, What would the flowers, What the bree and butterflow, If in cloudy hours. They believed the sum had gone Forever from the sky? Birds and is co and butterflics

And flowers, all would die. But the hitches know full well, And the flowces, t After clouds of block and gray Sides of white and blue

And the bees and butterflow, Bidden from the rate, Wait with folded wings until

The sun shares out again. -[Margaret Egringe, in Detroit Free Press,

CHINESE TREATMENT OF ANIMALS. The Chinese never punish; hence a mule that in the hands of a foreigner Paul and St. man's employment, writes a traveler, as light reads, by means of a arryished by the fur scale,  $\alpha(u) + c_i^{(n)}$  or  $\alpha(u) + k_i^{(n)}$  or  $\alpha(u) + k_i^{(n)}$  the least turn. The nodey grounds on the ed in getting a large drove of sheep to lead one of the quietest of the flock plot of henciabout twenty feet square, in front; the others sically followed, on which he lives with his wives, who

for.- [Picayone.

### A SMART DONKLY.

suburbs of Madrid, has long been in the liabit of repairing daily to the city, by accompanied by a dankey laten with another. impuiry that the tru-ip messenger had and soon after skinned. edied at the right doors without missrounds alone:

### THE COMPLE

W. Woodville Reshhill, the traveller, says: If any other animal gives travel a few miles by a judicious use of patience and a club, but not so with a camel. When he lies down he will get up only when he feels like doing You gay diag at the string which

experience while comets, and I vowed It should be my last, for, taking them together, they are the most thresome and troublesome animals I have over seen, and are only suited to Asiatics, the most patient and long-suffering of human beings. Bes sides their infirmities of temresulting, 1 believe, from per. hereditary dyspepsia, as evidenced by such coated tongues, officiency breaths and garging stomachs as I have seen with no other runinants, they are delicite in the extreme. They can work only in the winter months, for as soon as their wool togins to fall, Samsonlike, their strength aban-long them, They can travel only over a country where there are no stones, for the pads of their feet wear out, and they have to be patched, a most treablesom operation. The camel is thrown and a piece of leather stitched on over the foot, the stitches being taken through the roft part of it. In this condition it may travel till the skin has thickened again, or, what is most likely, until it refuses to take a step.

# and Are Killed.

### Millions of Scats Assemble There at Certain Times.

The Pribitor Seat Islands, around which the scal hunting which has engigel the attention of Great Britain and the United States for a tong time is done, lie in the middle of the Berhig Sea about 200 miles northward of Umlaska the meanest inditable land. They were discovered in 1786 by a Bussian named Pribit f, who commandel's small scaling sloop, the St. George. There are two islands -St.

George-about thirty would not only be useless, but danger- miles apart. The superiorial area of ous to every one about it, becomes in the former is bet square miles; that of the possession of a Chinamon as quiet the latter is nearly as great, being 27 as a lamb, and as tractable as a dog. square miles, but St. Paul, owing to We never beheld a runnway, a libbing tis low samty shores, has a const fine or a vicious nucle or pony in a China- of 42 miles, of which 16 1-2 miles are "hanled over" by scals, while St. but found the same ratiling, chear- George, with 29 miles of coast, has ful pace maintained over heavy only about two miles of beach that

The noisy grounds on three blands ing to the right or left, and stopping are those size elies of beach selected with but a kint from the reins. This by the scals for a brief period of rest treatment is extended to all the ani- during the breeding season, which mals they press into their service, begins in June and lists until Septem-Often have I admired the tast exhibits ber. During this time millions of seals are congregated on the shingle through narrow, crowded streets and beaches. The first to arrive are the alleys, by mercly having a little boy old built, each of whom second his

without the aid of a cruck goad. Cat- come to him a tew days after his arthe pigs, and birds are equally eared rival, and as soon no they get settled give birth each to one pup. A note- and make better time than any animal worthy fact is that the males who that could be employed. A runner

A Spanish peasant, living in the age and upwards, and obtain their pounds of mail and never be delayed temporary homesteads and many wives the washours or switch streams. He desperate fighting among our

milk for distribution among certain. The scals between the ages of one hour at least. He is nearly always enstoners. One day, however, the and six years are these known as the dressed in white cotton cloth, master was taken ill, whereupon his bachelers, and they only are killed be- which makes him a conspicuous wife suggested that the assistential bet cause of the value of their furs or figure against the soulder green and sent on his customary journey about, pelis. These backelors frequent strips black finite of the high mountain levels. The panniers were accordingly filled of heach separate and spart from the and which, later in the evening, causewith caused milk as usual, and a bit of reelectice, living praceably by theme him to look like a ghost or specter paper was attached to the doukey's selves. From these resting places flining among the place and this and ad-stall requesting the eastemers to men drive them indroves of thousands, messacovered builders strown along help themselves to their ordinary als -at the rate of half a mile an hour- the trail. The trails, on the steep lowance of milk, and to put back the to the simulatering places, two miles cans in the panular. Off started the away, while they are killed by being in stretches from they to seventy-five donkey, and he returned in due course struck on the head with a his kory yards in longth, in order to find a with the causer pty, and with every- club. They are then dragged out, grade up which a heavily laden pack thing in order. The next ter found upon schubed to the heart with a long knife, mule can noder his way. But the

log one, and also that in some instances has decided upon allowing a catch for high a hill. He cuts off the corners he had pulled the bell with his teeth the present year of 7500 wins is that at each bend by placing the bay two kinds of paper? Second Young when kept waiting. From that day the North Association Company is isosaid hand on the edge of forward the donkey has gone his by its contract sto furnish to the in- mail and vaniting to the lower to Charle I use red paper, which

or number of dried salmon" and salt. All this time he never gives up the litand barrels for preserving the meets, the dog trot that is carrying him forsary supply of meat as the Sectedary word so rapidly. The earlier will inout, it is still possible to make him of the Treasury shall determines. This half an how go down a mountain side company is further obliged to furtish that would take the best male in a eighty tons of coal anomaly, and a buillon train or the flectest one ridden sufficient number of good houses in by the little Mexican caballero, the which the natives may dwell. The best rider in the world, half a day to company also must maintain schools accomplish. In ascending, too, the is fastened to the stick through his and school teachers, churches and carrier has methods of taking shorter only grean and spit. It was my first and number that further that and presenter in the steeper inclines, so as to and provide for the fatherless chil- gain time and distance at every turn.

originally derived from Mexico, but Where the Fur Seals Congregate of late years much attention has been given to cultivating this plant in other parts of the tropics, and it is now produced in Bourbon, Java, Maurities, and Central Africa in Targe quanti-

tion Shoots, about three feet long, lawing been fastened to trees, and sear

ly touching the ground, soon strike root on to the bark and form plants. which commence to produce fruit in three years, and remain productive 50 or to. The fertilization of the flower is naturally brought about by insect agency. Mouren, the Director of the Rotanies! Garden in Liege, showed in 1857 that it might be efficiently performed by man, since which the production of the pode has been successfully cancied on in all tropical countries without the aid of insects. Even in European foreing-houses the plant produces fruits of full size which, for aroma, hear comparison with those of Mexico. In vaniita plantations the pods are not allowed to arrive at complete maturity, and are grathered when their green color begins to change. According to the statements of De Ariose they are dried by a rather circuitous process, namely, by exposing them to heat alternately uncovered and wrapped in woolen cloths, where-

by they are artificially riponed, and acquire their altimate aroma and dark hus.-[Garden and Forest.

# Indian Rounces.

The Indian runners are familiar figures in Mexico. They are employed by the government to carry the mails among the Sierra Nevada Mountains, keep these harens are all six years of will carry from swenty to thirty is always on an easy run; that must curry him along six or seven miles an Capt. Smith from joining one.

places, wind backward and forward

athletic earrier does not run the whose The reason why the boveruncent length of these windings in descendinfitums of the islands of St. George, level whenever the two levels are act and St. Paul atomally such quantity more than six or seven feet apart.

Since twenty years ago When girls wore woolen dresses And hoys wore pants of tow, And since were made of cowhide And metha of homespiin wool. l children did a half day's work Helere they went to school.

The people reduce meeting In sleds instead of sleight And wagons rock as easy As longities nowadays, And even answered well for learns, The new they'd be ten slow, For people fixed not half so first Some twenty years ago.

Oh, well do I remember The Wilson parent stove, That father housist and paid for True share course and you for In eith the girls had wore And all the mightest wondered How we got the thing to go. They said "tword" forest and kill us all some torough course and Some twenty years ago.

The girls took music levels. t ron the spinning wheel And practiced late and early At spinille, swifts and seel The laws would ride the horse to mill A dozen miles or so. And hurry of before 'twas day, Some twenty years ago, Yes, everything has altered so I cannot tell the cause, For men are always tempering With nature a wondrous laws. And what on earth we're couving to, Does may hady know? For everything has changed so much Since twenty years ago. - John Doe.

RUMOROUS.

Fruit fuil-California. Have the grip-Bulldogs. Sound asteen-The man who snores. The end of a long strike-A home

Royal rakes bring a lot of rubbish to the surface.

Put says: shove is that tinder lolka it do be asily kindled."

According to history Poenhontas dida't believe in chiles. She prevented

"You talk a great deal in your sleep. John," said Mes. Henpeck. Oft's the only chance I get," said John, meekly. There are a good many "high-filers"

in Chicago. But the fellow who has invented the new flying machine is not one of them.

"A proposal," mused Van Jenkins "amounts to a man's saying Wilt thou? intercogatively and a giri's putting it imperatively."

Mistress (benevolently to her maid in anticipation of a compliment)-What would you do if you could play the pinuo as well as 1 cm? Mnld-I should take lessous

First Young Ludy-Do you always the Indy-Always. You see when I write means love; when I answer Jim's letters I use blue paper, which means faithful unto death. See.

+-1 can't understand your father, Marie. He doesn't like me any better than he did at first, and has always treated me as if I was a blockhead." -4 know, Tom, it's too bad, but it takes poor father such a long time to get over first impressions."

Railway Official-Smoking not allowed in the waiting-room, sir. You'll lave to go out to the platform. Mr. McFinigan-I'm not smokin', sir, "But you have your pipe in your

month, sir." "Yis, an' I have me fut

You'd not say that if off you'd met them.

But a woman makes us all forget them.

A Lemon Orchard. F. A. Kimladi of National City-

says the Santa Barbara (Cal.) Inde-

pendent, is convinced that \$10 a tree

can be realized from lemons four

years after planting. The root must

be good and heating. The ground

must be well plowed and pulverized

from the ground, and the branches

should be shortened to the firight of a

pair of pruning shears. Rol clay

soil is best. Mr. Kimbell says that

lemons are best curve by jäcking

them green and packing them in lay-

in me loot, but I'm not walkin'."

A clock service to point out the hours,

tangled carls from the soldier's brow, steen Switzer steens,

do anything for you?"

He struggled up to his cibow with somewhere in the vicinity of Mont a stiffed grean.

how you can help me. I suppose I terpreter. must lie here till they take me prisoner, and I'd almost as seen be shot."

her dark, bright face into positive selves in spreading out a collation beauty.

said, shut if you will trust me I think pretty femining chatter, and in his I can belp you; at least, I will see turn relating incidents and reministhat you are refreshed and made com- conces of his own war experience for fortable."

She put her hand to her bosom, and little blast.

Dapple pricked up his grav cars and came cantering to her side, followed you sarely through?" she cried, with instantly by a colored man-servant.

"You see," smilled Miss Irene, flashof hold my reserve forces at a mo- captain. ment's warning. Here, James, help limb."

by the time the sun was fairly out of ting posture. made comfortable, by asleep in the here!"

brother Tom's eyes; and Tom was been the captain's inseparable comdown in the trenches in front of Rich- panion in all his wanderings. He not only the usual articles of a setmond. The compassion in her heart was with him now, ambling over the the tray, platter, butter dish sugar stirred afresh; she smoothed back the green Tyrol valleys and climbing the

"My poor fellow," she said, "can 1. One September afternoon, when the captain's tour was drawing to a close,

Blane, he fell in with a traveling

"My horse threw me," he explained, party from New Orleans. It conhand they left me behind. I think I sisted of Madame Lendir, her son and must have fainted from the pain. I two daughters, and a young American thank yen very noich, but I can't see lady who was her companion and in-

Captain Batherford found madam s charming woman, and white the young Irene smiled, a smile that lighted persons of the party busied themunder the trees, he by smid the long, "I am in the enemy's country," she rustling grasses, listening to madam's

her edification.

Among other things he told her of drawing forth a tiny sliver whistle Rapple, and of his midnight ride make them change. An Englishman she put it to her lips and blew a sharp among the blue hills of old Virginia. engaged in mining put up a holsting Madam was intensiy interested.

"And the gallant little pony carried money thrown away, as the workmen heaming eyes.

ing a beaming giance on the soldier, enemy at my very heels," replied the was band passing over their fore-

this gentleman to the house, and then owill you have the kindness to pass there an ascent of over 200 feet had to ride for Doctor Werter to dress his the coffee? And pray, Captain Ruth- be made by means of ladders, and acerford, whatever became of Dapple?"

sight the Union soldier, refreshed and ""Papple, Dapple," he called, "come be abandoned, every man working in

most unique les service. If singly interaction bowl, cream pitcher, cup and saucerbut also a caster, supplied with the usual cruets-the whole made of wood. Two kinds of wood, black wainut and white wood, were employed in their manufacture, and the contrasted colors, which appear in even the covers of dishes and tops of cruets. have a beautiful effect. The whole service is as useful as any made of rockery, and was the work of a skilled woodworker white conjugat in the county juil for drankenness. He agreed to make them for Mr. Tolman if the latter would furnish the material. The wood of which they are made cost Mr. Tolman \$8 .- [Portland Argus.

Unprogressive Mexico. A recent traveller in Mex co says the

natives are unwilling to adopt modern ways, and it is nearly impossible to plant, but found at once that it was

would not consent to its use. They had long been accustomed to carry the "Safely through, madem, with the ore in sacks supported by a broad canheads, and to receive so much for it "Miss Moreton," cried madam, at the mouth of the shuft. To get it

cordingly progress was very slow. James obeyed without a word, and The captain raised himself to a sit- But nothing would induce them to use the holsting machinery, and it had to

the old fashion .- (Chicago Herald,

### Mexico's President.

modern Mexico. -- New York World, | came into general use in cooking. fuel. -- [Chicago Herald

dren and widows and all who are su-Trienvune. permutated.

The latest consus, that of 1899, gives 203 as the population of the island, including old and young, node and female. These people were orig-Inally Monthans, but have become to mixed with Russian and Kamshatka blood that they present a variety of fact, the incident occurred in Chicago characteristics. In the main they are an honest people if drink he kept from them, though they are inherent gamblers. They do all the work of killing, skinning, etc., and load the skins into the vessels. The company pays them to come for the labor of taking each perfect skin.- | New York Times.

### History of Vanilla.

Vanilla is a Mexican orchid, with long, clumbing stems and thick, fleshe leaves. The earliest European travelers in Mexico found the vanilla used as a condiment with choesdate. The Spaniards introduced it into Europe, and the first account of it appeared as Louisiana, is raising this, year has long ago as 1605, and was published greatly complicated the problem as to

who received a specimen from Mor- will be 700,000 barrels, or 27,0 The Mexican president, Porficio gan the spotheesty of Queen Eller- gallons, or 300,000,000 pounds of Diaz, is a straight, dignified may of both. Pi-mier called the plant Va- molasses which the planters do not medium height, who impresses the nills, adopting the name used in Mex- know how to get rid of. The output beholder with his strength of characs ico by the Spaniards (the diministive of molasses in Louisiana is now so ter. There is nothing estentations of the Spanish value, a pedy. Tow- great that there is no market for about him. He dresses as quietly as and the end of the seventcenth sentury the lower grades. The Planter, the a plain citizen of the Republic, and the vanilla reached France by the way, organ of the sugar interests here, proexhibits a contempt for the gandy of Spain, and was used to flavor possiblat the molasses should be need regimentals in which many Central choestate and to perfume tobacco. In for fact in the sugarhouses in place of American leaders array themselves. England it was first valued as a drug, coal. It "calculates that molasses He has a striking face and figure, and and it was not until after the idea of would be much cheaper than the is undoubtedly the greatest man of its medical value was exploded that it cheapest coal, and would be a good

A Honeymoon Episode.

They had been married but two months, and they still loved each other A woman like a clock? No-no? devotedly (I am not describing an incident in France). He was in the back yard blacking his shoes. (In -- if it had been in New York of course they would be living about seven stories up in a flat. y

"dack," she called at the top of her water, "Jack, come bers, quick." He knew at once that she was in imminored dangers. He grashed a clube and rashed up two flights of stairs to for planting. Trees may be planted the resear. He entered the room 125 to the acre. They should be

breathteedy and found her looking togasched low, not over these feet out of the window. "Look," said she, "that's the kind

of a bonnet I want you to get me."-(Brooklyn Life.

### To Use Molasses for Fuel. The large crop of sugar which

ers of sand. Answered.

...What would you do if you had a volce like mine?" said Binks, who is rather proud of his basic profundo. +.I'd take it out into the woods and yell with it till it bu'st," said De Garry, who prefers his own tenor .-[Harper's Bazar.

### Trying It Alone.

"I can't permit my daughter to marry you, sir."

"But I cas't live without Emily." "That's just it. If you must starve you had better try it alone."-[Philadelphia Times.

by Chusins inhi+"Exoticorum Libri," what to do with the molasses. There