## Poetry.

THE SHADOW OF THE ROCK.

A hiding place from the wind and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place; as the shades a great Rock in a weary land.—Is, xxii, 2. In the Shadow of the Rock Let me rest, When I feel the tempest's shock

Thri'l my breast; All in vain the storm shall sweep, While I hide. And my tranquil station keep

On the parched and desert way Where I tread, With the scorching noon-tide ray O'er my head; Let me find a welcome shade,

By thy side.

Cool and still, And my weary steps be stayed While I will.

I in peace will rest me there Till I see That the skies again are fair

Over me; That the burning heats are past, And the day Bids the traveller at last

Go his way.

Then my pilgrim staff I'll take, And once more I'll my onward journey make, As before :

And with joyous heart and strong I will raise Unto Thee, O Rock, a song Glad with praise.

-Sunday Afternoon.

### DON'T STOP MY PAPER.

Don't stop my paper, printer, Don't strike my name off yet; You know the times are stringent, And dollars hard to get; But tug a little harder, Is what I mean to do, And scrape the dimes together, Enough for me and you. I can't afford to drop it; I find it doesn't pay

To do without a paper, However others may; I hate to ask my neighbors To give me theirs on loan; They don't just say, but mean it, Why don't you have your own?

You can't tell how we miss it, If it, by any fate, Should happen not to reach us, Or come a little late : Then all is in a hubub.

And things go all awry, And, printer, if you're married, You know the reason why: The children want their stories, And wife is anxious, too, At first to glance it over,

And then to read it through, And I to read the leaders. And con the book reviews, And scan the correspondence, And every scrap of news. I cannot do without it,

It is no use to try. For other people take it, And, printer, so must I; I, too, must keep me posted And know what's going on, Or feel and be accounted, A fogy simpleton.

Then take it kindly, printer, If pay be somewhat slow, For cash is not so plenty, And wants not few, you know, But I must have my paper, Cost what it may to me,

I'd rather dock my sugar, And do without my tea. So, printer, don't you stop it, Unless you want my frown,

For here's the year's subscription, And credit it right down, And send the paper promptly And regularly on, And let it bring us weekly Its welcomed benison.

# The fireside.

# SHETLAND PONIES.

Far north from Scotland, and but seldom visited and partly in Asia." by southern travellers, are the Shetland Islands. From these rock-bound, treeless islands comes the Ned? Well, that's right. Now, this emperor had Shetland ponies that we so often see at the circus, built a splendid palace or castle near the city, called perhaps, it may be to ewn a monkey. To have a the emperor was very fond of it. pony to ride, or to drive, and especially a real Shetland, long-haired, short-legged pony is a dream of years a Turkish Sultan, for Constantinople was

quiet, orderly and industrious. They live by many of his city with a mighty army and besieged it. means. Some of them have shops in the towns, "This made the emperor Constantine very sorwhere they sell groceries, and dress-goods and rowful, for he was a peaceful man. But one thing cured meats. Others live by catching fish to send pleased him : the Turkish army did not come close south. Some let themselves down by ropes over to his city, but lay at a distance of some miles, and the edge of a great high cliff, and gather the eggs his Castle of Seven Towers stood between, so that of birds. Then the women knit shawls and hoods he could still visit it, although he had to go very cauand veils and socks, and so gain a few pennies to tiously for fear of being seen and captured or killed. buy food with. But there is yet another class of "For many weeks the siege continued. The people who have to make a living, and this class Turkish troops would assault the city, and the soldiers raise ponies and sheep, to send to England and even within would sally out and attack the enemy, but to America. And before we speak or describe care- nothing was gained on either side. fully the making of shawls and gathering of eggs, "One day, while this state of affairs continued, we will imagine ourselves in the town of Lerwick poor Emperor Constantine saddled his horse and and all ready for a start to Noss Island, where a early in the morning rode out of the city gate alone man lives who has a large herd of real Shetland toward his beautiful castle.

of the ponies and his two children. I wish you emperor rode on never noticing all these until he A. M. .......Jerusalem. ........ coming in the boat. They hardly ever leave the little spring of water, and near it an old man who LORNE. Island themselves, and so when any strangers come | had built a little fire and was broiling three or four | JAMES M. McC. to see their ponies, how happy it makes them! small fish over the coals. They were very pretty and bright children, too. "The emperor dismounted and began to talk with Crow . . . They had light hair and bright blue eyes, and the stranger, hoping to learn from him something ALBERT C. cheeks as red as roses. Running down with them, about the Turkish army and its movements. was their pet dog, who seemed just as glad as any "After a little conversation, and when the old of the rest to see strangers. The house the man man was about to take his fish from the fire, the J. F. M...... lived in was very lonely-looking to us. It was emperor asked him if he knew just where the army BETA. built of stone, and then painted white, and stood of the Sultan then was.

There must have been fully two hundred of the "The emperor was shocked and astonished, but J. W. S. . When we came nearer the whole herd pricked up "Instantly the fish sprang into the water, and J. C. MACHUM. their ears, gave little snorts of anger, and galloped when Constantine turned to speak to the old man | LLORA H ......

away as fast as their short legs could carry them. The keeper told us that when one wishes a pony, "Remounting his horse the emperor rode furi- C. J. MARTIN...... to ride or sell, he must take the one he keeps near ously back to the city where he found it even as the ELEANORA. the house, mount him, and then riding out to the stranger had said, the enemy were entering the MARY E. McN...... Sackville. herd, lassoo one at a time until you obtain all you gates driving his own army slowly back. Constanwish. In winter the ponies of Noss Island have tine dashed into the thickest of the battle and was rather a hard time of it. Though there is not killed. Constantinople was taken, and ever since much snow on the island, still the winds often blow | the Sultan has reigned there. very fiercely, and poor pony has no warm barn to "Fourteen years ago when I was in Europe, I go to. Sometimes the keeper builds a wall about visited this wonderful spring. It has been lined a square piece of ground, and pony can go into the with marble, and as I looked down into the cool may not have reached us. enclosure and so be somewhat sheltered. But usual- depths I saw only the pure water, and not the ly he must face the wind and storm, no matter broiled fish which are still said to live there. I

dogs. When we saw them scampering about free from care, we couldn't help wondering how long it marble. Let the noble seigner cast something would be before they would be carrying some little | shining into the water and he may see them.' lady up and down Rotten Row, or about New Cen-

a curious appearance they present! The ponies

seem only legs. They have no bridle, only a cord

about the neck, and each follows the one in front.

You can't make them go at the side of one another.

On either side of each one are two immense saddle-

bags filled with peat, or potatoes; on his back are

piled other goods, and even his neck has a cloth

or other saddle-bags strapped, so that seen from a

short distance it seems just as though the bags had

legs, and poor pony seems buried out of sight.

Sometimes, too if there is room to keep seated,

his mistress with shoeless feet, and short dress and

white cap, seats herself in great state, and away

goes pony, bags and woman off to Lerwick. Some

times, when on these pilgrimages, pony will watch

his chance, and if his mistress should be absent,

Shetland ponies are very sure-footed. They

will walk along the very edge of a high cliff, and be-

fore putting a foot down will carefully feel if the

ground is firm or not. Some of them are driven

by their riders down steep passes where one mistep

would send both rider and pony to the depths below.

Ponies of Shetland, too, are not always very well

behaved. Near our cottage was an old lady's garden

filled with cabbages. One day her pony walked

into it, and enjoyed himself feasting on the forbid-

den fruit. We never asked him, but should imagine

the beating he received when discovered would

help him to digest his stolen dinner. Then a

Shetland pony on his native heath is extremely

wilful. If they dislike a rider they will spare no

pains to unseat him. I rode one once who ex-

pended a great deal of unnecessary strength in this

manner. He would bite, shake himself and roll

over, if allowed. As he was almost small enough

And so the ponies of Shetland Islands live and

wait for masters in the South. In the cold winter

of fog and rain, when there is almost no day, or in

the summer time, when the sun does not set, they

run wild about the Noss, take burdens to Lerwick,

or carry the stranger over the bogs and dreary hills.

A FISH STORY

BY F. E. HAMILTON.

There was a sudden spring, a patter of little feet

across the floor, and then a clear voice shouted

"All right, Uncle Harry, I'll be down in five

A quarter of an hour later Ned Gleason and his

trout-fishing. The morning air was keen and brac-

ing, the golden east promised a beautiful day, and

both hearts beat high in bright anticipation of the

"This is splendid!" said Ned in delight. "Did

you ever see a more glorious sunshine than that,

uncle?" and he pointed towards where old Sol was

"What were they?" said Ned. "little fish?"

only ones of that particular kind in the world."

"Do you mean the flying fish, uncle?"

" Oh, I know! They were the blind fish in

" No, not those, for there are blind fish in other

"No," said Uncle Harry smiling, "not those

"What kind do you mean, then?" said the boy

"Well, I will tell you, Ned. There will be just

"Yes, little ones; but they were said to be the

just peeping from behind the Catskills.

of fish that you will not catch to-day."

-Edward Roberts in Wide Awake.

"Ned! Ned! Hello, Ned!"

from the head of the stairs.

sport which was before them.

Mammoth Cave.'

in a puzzled tone.

aves and sunken rivers.'

ninutes."

to be carried by his rider, these antics were more

amusing than dangerous.

gets as she leads him back to his proper place !

sland home to England.

"I took the hint and threw a handful of silver tral Park. The case is not unlikely, for a great into the spring. Attracted by the glitter of the many of them each year are sent away from their coin three small fish, which to me looked to be very much like perch, darted out from But a pony in Shetland Islands, even, has often the crevasses in the sides, swam about for a mohard work to perform. If a poor person is pos- ment and disappeared; and the Greek monk said to sessed of a pony, then, indeed, he feels rich. Now me that these were the same fish that were frying on certain days in the week, there are market days over the coals that bright May morning when the at Lerwick. From all about come the people bringemperor Constantine visited the grove more than ing things to sell. Some walk to the town, some four hundred years before. sail, and others come riding on their ponies. Just "So you see, Ned," said Uncle Harry in con

inside of Lerwick is a narrow path leading over the clusion, "that you cannot catch such fish as those way, a long line of ponies and women. And such | not broiled but fresh."-Christian Weekly.

### HOME HINTS.

BEEF LOAF. -11 pounds of beef chopped fine and free from gristle; 2 cups rolled crackers (fine): 1 sup cold water : 11 cup of butter; salt and pepper to suit taste; bake till done. Serve hot, or slice

Egg Balls.-To make egg balls, beat up the yolks of three hard boiled eggs in a a mortar with the yolk of one raw egg; make into balls and drop At 8 A. M.-(Through Express) St. John for Bangor, them into boiling water for two minutes.

BURNS AND SCALDS. - The very best thing to be one when any one has received a burn or scald, is to lay on the part that is injured a thick coating of cotton-wool or wadding, so as to completely exclude the air. If the above wool happens not to be will dart away down the steep hillside, to nibble a bite of something good he has seen ; and then when at hand, scraped potato or turnip will ease the the mistress sees him such a pounding as pony pain.

# PUZZLE DEPARTMENT.

EDITED BY ELLSWORTH, P. O. BOX 242, LOWELL, MASS. Contributions and answers respectfully solicited. 533.—STAR DIAMOND.

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* A consonant; an implement; an animal; a pro er name : a vowel.

534.—Cross-Word Enigma. My first is in sing, but not in cry; My second is in moan, but not in sigh My third is in flower, but not in seed My fourth is in blossom, but not in weed; My fifth is in mouse, but not in rat; My sixth is in bonnet, but not in hat: My seventh is in renown, but not in fame;

F'ton Junction.

My whole you'll find a Biblical name. 535, -CHARADE. My first is work that women must de ; My second belongs to words not a few ; My third is a weight all very well know : My whole is a general who lived long ago.

Sussex Station. 536.—BIBLICAL ENIGMA. I am composed of 10 letters. My 8, 9, 6, 1 is to wander. My 3, 4, 7, 5, 2, 10 is an allotted time. My whole names two good brothers of Israel. HANDY ANDY. 537.—Geographical Transpositions.

Bde-adb-nle-am. Aam-ccal. Dsa-rel-dla-en. Rga-itb-lra. Lower Prince William. J. W. S. 538.—Geographical Drop Letter. -i-w-u-e-.0-0-0-0-0-. -a-q-e-t-.B-r-e-t. Burnett, Wis. HANNAH M. KELLY.

539.—Logoriph. Whole, I am a tool. Change head, and have to shake. Behead, and have an outlet. Change uncle where whirling along the narrow country head, and have a measure. Behead, and have a misfortune. Change head, and have a measure. road behind Black Billy, bound for Stryker's pond Cape Island, N. S. JOHN A. CUNNINGHAM. 540. - WORD SQUARE.

Practice; ascend; a book; a small island; a part Tracey's Mills. 541.—BIBLICAL TRANSPOSITION.

Henrake toun hyt herfat hatt gabet etch da seped ton hty hemotr nehw hes si dol. QUEENS. -TYRO. "No," said Uncle Harry, "but I've seen a kind 542.—DELETION. Delete a virtue, and have a prefix.

Delete to cut, have a hollow in the ground. Delete part of a ship, have a murderer. Delete to enclose, and have a vegetable. (Answers in three weeks.)

Answers to Puzzles in Jan. 3. 507.--Chushanrishathaim.--Jud. iii: 8. 508.—S U M

MEN 509. -Wick-low. DOVER NEY

about time for the story before we get to the pond." "A long time ago, about the fourteenth century, 511. - William Cowper. there was a certain eastern emperor named Con-512. - Thou crownest the year with thy goodness, and thy paths drop fatness.—Ps. lxv. 11. stantine Paleologus, who reigned in the great city 513. — Maguguadavic. Restigouche. of Constantinople. Do you know where that is?' Tabusintac. Pokemouche. "Yes," said Ned, "on the Bosphorus, a small 514.-A good understanding have all they that strait which connects the Sea of Marmora with the 515. — Madam. Black Sea. It is a city of Turkey, partly in Europe

CHAT WITH CONTRIBUTORS. "Why, you are a regular geography, aren't you, To BE Solved.—We know our contributor from Fredericton Junction will be pleased to see her Diamond in print. Ed's Enigma is one of that proor pulling little phaetons patiently along. A Shet- the "Castle of Seven Towers," where he used to fair specimen of rhyme in which a word is hidden. land pony is almost a child's first desire, unless, spend his summers. It was a beautiful place, and Handy Andy's Numerical will, we think, be answered quickly. The Geographical puzzles that "But trouble came. After he had reigned a few are next will exercise our solvers more. No. 539 s a good Logoriph. Unohoo's Square is excellent. Many will solve it correctly; but a larger number not then part of the Turkish empire, declared war | will give a wrong answer. Our Jerusalem friends, Now the people of the Shetland Islands are very against him, and shortly appeared before the walls whose contributions always are good, favor us with the two last. They may seem difficult at first. Perseverance will unsolve them when smartness

> WORD-HUNT No. 3. THE FIRST PRIZE,—"The Bodleys on Wheels," y Horace E. Scudder, is awarded S. R. W., St. OHN, who sent the Highest List; the words num THE SECOND PRIZE, - A Solargraph, or a Pocket

Sun Dial, -is awarded Louise, YARMOUTH, N. S. who sent the Second Highest List; the words num THE THIRD PRIZE, - The Home Guardian, of Boston, for 1879, -is awarded Ella, Philadelphia, Pa., who sent the Third Highest List; the words

Perth ....

.Smith's Creek .

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Appended are "It was May, and the country was covered with Louise......... Yarmouth, N. S......... 550

> MIC-MAC. . Fredericton . . Do LITTLE. . Millstream. GRETA.... SWEET WILLIAM.....St. Stephen.. Woodstock. . Ferryville. JESSIE.

> > LOTTIE GOSLINE....

on a little knoll overlooking the blue waters of the "'I do,' he replied, 'the Turkish army is at this S. N.......... moment entering the gates of Constantinople.'

again he had disappeared.

was about to turn away disappointed when one of Among the ponies we saw on our visit, were some the Greek monks who live in a little chapel close by little wee fellows, hardly larger than Newfoundland | said to me.

"'The fish are hidden in the crevasses of the INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY. 1878. WINTER ARRANGEMENT. 1879.

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C. J. BRYDGES,

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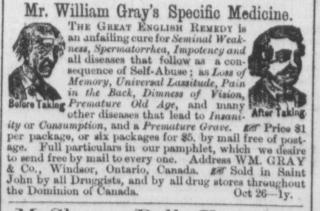
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