

A SONG OF SNOW-TIME.

Sing a song of snow-time, Now it's passing by, Million little fleecy flakes Falling from the sky; When the ground is covered, And the hedge and trees, There will be a gay time For the Chickadees.

JOHN MARSTON'S HOUSEKEEPER.

"Dare I take this place?" said Margaret Lester to herself, as she paced up and down her small top room, with the morning newspaper crushed in her hands. She glanced, with care in the loving brown eyes, upon the little twin sisters who had been her charge for seven years, since her parents and theirs had died.

Has he stood for full five minutes in the open doorway watching her, before he approached? Has he seen the clear-cut profile turned to him, which he once knew so well? If he has, she does not read anything of all this in his face, as she turns slowly round to him.

Cooperative Fertilizer Tests.

More or less numerous requests are continually received at the Station for analysis of soils. These requests are made under the not unnatural supposition that such an analysis can determine the needs of the soil as regards fertilizers.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

A DAILY THOUGHT. The smallest effort is not lost. Each wave on the ocean has its work to do. Each drop of rain makes some flow wet below. Each struggle lessens human woe.

FARM NOTES.

Clover is richer than grass in the muscle formers; for young animals it is the better feed. There is no loss of any material that is applied to the soil if the ground is well prepared and ready for a crop, provided the soil is not too porous.

HAIR POWDER.

The High Price of Grain in England Sealed its Doom.

During the last years of the eighteenth century the price of grain in England was very high. So much flour was used as hair powder that an attempt was made to check its use.

ANointing STONES.

A Custom That Was Very Common Among the Ancients.

The custom of anointing stones with oil (Genesis xxviii, 18, 19) and leaving them as memorial pillars or objects of worship was one that was very common among the ancients.

THE VALUABLE MOOSE.

It Is the Staff of Life in the Great Northern Wilderness.

What the buffalo was to the plains, the white tail deer to the southern woods and the caribou to the barrens the moose is to the great northern belt of swamp and timber land of British America.

Knights of Old.

The knights of days of chivalry were so well protected by their armor that they were practically invulnerable to all ordinary weapons.

He Had Been Treated.

Old Lady (compassionately)—Poor fellow! I suppose your blindness is incurable. Have you ever been treated? Blind Man (sighing)—Yes, mum, but not often. 'Tain't many as likes to be seen 'goin' into a public house with a blind beggar.—London Tit-Bits.

Love.

Love does not ask for perfection; it asks only for its own. You cannot prostrate it with gifts or satisfy it with all virtues if you cannot pay it back value for value in its own coin, and if this tribute be paid it will forgive every weakness.—Woman's Life.

A Rich Personality.

We should make a rich personality our great aim instead of a fat pocket-book. If the aim is directed toward the pocket-book the head will suffer, the heart will starve, and the life will deteriorate.—Success Magazine.

His Carving.

"He carved out his own fortune." "Nonsense! He married it." "Well, he had to cut out a lot of other fellows, didn't he?"—Cleveland Leader.

What reason could not avoid has often been cured by delay.—Seneca.

The Knuckle Calendar.

"We can't always remember which are the short months of the year, or some of us who are not very strong in memory." "We take to repeating the old jingle. 'Thirty days both September, April, June and November, and so on, to bring the short months to us. But I have just learned another way that pleases me."

Chinese to be Punished.

The government has instructed the Governor of Nanchang province of Kiangsi, where on February 25th six French Jesuit missionaries and four British subjects were killed, to punish severely all participants in the massacre and declares its willingness to make without question any reasonable reparation demanded.

King Edward in Excellent Health.

Dr. Ott, King Edward's Marienbad physician, has taken the occasion of his return from his visit to England to publicly deny the rumors of the King's ill health. These, Dr. Ott declares, are malicious inventions possibly traceable to political motives.

Her Father—Look here young man.

"I don't mind you calling on my daughter, but you always stay to such an unearthly hour."

Young Man—Can't do otherwise, sir.

"Every hour I spend with your daughter is unaccountably—they are positively heavenly."

Mrs. Buggins—Isn't it lovely!

"What a help he will be in getting up church help!"

She—Do you know what I'd do if you should try to kiss me?

"He—No, Why?" "She—Oh, nothing; only you don't seem to have any curiosity."

Hewitt—Misfortunes never come singly.

"Jewett—I know it; yesterday I received two wedding invitations by the same mail."

Promise me, Jack, that you will not go to the dogs because I have refused you.

"Oh, please, of course not!" "You mean thing!"

In South Greenland the color of the hair ribbon which women tie around their head denotes whether she be maid, wife or widow.