

NATURE STUDY.

Down in th' swamp lives ole Mr. Skeeter. Bad an' wicked as he can be! When he finds Little Girls he'll eat her. Don't matter where 'bout she is, you see, Nice little girls like you an' me!

OLD FERGYS FINE PULL.

"Old Fergy" was a gigantic Texas steer that belonged on Ferguson's ranch, but spent most of his time in roaming about other ranches. As he was energetic, vicious and tough, he was the nuisance of the neighborhood. Yet his splendid figure and the sovereign dignity of his appearance secured to him a kind of liking, and forgiveness for most of his sins.

They lay down to sleep in what seemed to them rather a comfortable position. They were slumbering within ten minutes of having finished their supper, and during the entire night they were wholly unconscious of the heaviest rain-storm known in the history of the country. Indeed, they were probably soothing to sleep and kept in slumber by the monotonous swish of the rain.

penings in that fury. Once a mass of brush came against us; it did not stop Fergy's stride in the least, but it almost broke my grip on the rawhide. Then, suddenly, it went down under us, and lifted us almost clear of the water; and as it went rolling down beneath our legs, we were plunged head first again.

Capitol is 'Comic,' Says Mr. Pennell. Many felt that much of the discussion that attended the completion of the State Capitol at Harrisburg was atoned for when the great structure was completed and turned over to the State. They declared the work a gem of decorative art. They will read the criticism of Joseph Pennell, who is himself a great artist and a noted authority on matters of architecture, with surprise.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN. DAILY THOUGHT. So be my passing! My task accomplished and the long day done. My wages taken, and in my heart Some late lark singing.

FARM NOTES. "Never punish a horse for something he cannot help. If possible get rid of all hibernating and hibernated weevils. Badly-constructed stable floors have injured more horses than hard work.