AN ORIGINAL POET.

I know a poet, pale severe
Who is a poet born; but he
Declares our language is so queer,
So lacking in consistency,
He cannot bind himself to it,
But writes as writing *should* be writ.
With his permission I submit
Some samples of his poetry:

I. THE RABBIT.

So shy and gentle is thy mien,
So shrinking and so timorous!
Thou knowest well if thou art seen
Thy chance of life is slimorous.

II. THE LION.

Thou quiet beast within thy cage,
Thou captive curiosity!
But, ah! within thy heart is rage,
Revenge, and furiosity.

III. THE CAT.

Calmly thou purrest, snoozine there;
Dost thou feel aught of gratitude
For thy good home and kindly care
And health and strength and fatitude?

Emma A. Opper, in October St. Nicholas.

THAT LOW CREATURE.

"Don't touch me or speak to me," said Nina Wilbur, as her betrothed husband, Ashton Craig, came up the steps of the low veranda of the Farmers' Rest.

"Oh, I mean it. I am not one who does not know when she has been insulted."

"Nina, you do not know anything yet," said Ashton. "When I have told you"—

"Told me?" said Nina. "Well, I scarcely need telling. You invite me to the races and when we are almost there leave me here alone until they are over."

"I left you to save a life," said Ashton.

"The girl was not thrown out," said Nina. "It was well enough for you to stop the horse and carry her in when she pretended to faint, but to send me a note telling me to stop where I was until you came for me, and stay all this while—why, as I said, it is an offense beyond forgiveness.

"Oh, I've been nearly wild with mortification, and that good old lady—ignorant, of course, but so sympathetic—how she has pitied me!"

"You don't seem the sort to be used so, miss," she said. You don't know men folks yet, my dear," she said, "when you are my age, you will to your cost. That gall that was run away with is one of the sort that come to the races in crowds. She came too quick enough once she got things the way she liked 'em, and he's been with her on the grand stand all this time while you've been cooling your heels here, my dear.'"

"Blessed old lady," said Ashton, "and you accept her views."

Nina was visiting an aunt, and at the door of this lady's residence he paused, assisted her to alight and drove away with a very polite bow, never once looking back, as she saw plainly.

By this time she, being a woman, was nearly mad to hear from his lips what had happened—to listen to some story which might give her a chance to forgive him.

At best, it was very wrong of him—very unkind, but if he had only confessed the truth, and pleaded and offered excuses, at least she would have been able to play a dignified part.

Now she felt that she had neither spoken nor behaved as a lady should—no, not kindly, as one should even to a friend.

She should have listened to him before she burst out into that tirade, and she entered her aunt's house with such a face that the lady at once asked the matter. Where is Mr. Craig? Why didn't he come in? I've a lovely tea ready. Wy, Nina I believe you have quarreled with him."

And then Nina burst into tears and was forced to tell her story—her version of it, of course.

"We were very near the race course," she said, "when a carriage dashed past us—the gentleman was thrown, and the lady—was in danger. Ashton made me alight and go into a little country hotel by the roadside—then dashed on, and somehow, I cannot tell how, stopped the horses.

"The girl was not thrown, and I saw Ashton take her in his arms and carry her up the steps of an elegant hotel, not far away.

"Later he sent me a note, telling me not to come over on any account, but to stay where I was until he came for me. He came after the races were over, and made neither explanation nor apology."

"Why, that seems impossible, Nina," said her aunt, "What did you say?"

"Well, I was not very amiable," said Nina, "but you could not expect that?"

"He should have explained," she said.

Nina went to her room in tears, and resolved to return Ashton's ring on the morrow, which she did, with a scornful note; and then she told her aunt she would go home at once.

Poor Nina. As her journey over, she walked up the garden path, how heavy was her heart!

Now that there was no going back she felt that she could forgive him almost anything. And just as she came to this there was a sudden rush of sisters down the path, a kissing and embracing and cries of:

"Oh, she's ever so much better! There is not the least reason to be anxious. We knew you'd come at once. But, oh, how pale you are! And don't you feel proud of Ashtop?"

Nina simply stared at them.

"She doesn't know," cried the youngest sister.

"Ma made Ashton promise not to tell her until this morning," said the eldest.

"But what did he say to make you come?" said the third sister.

"You know Cousin Rodney came to take ma to the races with him," said the elder sister.

"And he didn't understand the horses," said the middle sister. "It was a new team.

"And they ran away."

"Oh, good heavens! Was that mother? Was Rodney driving her?" panted Nina.

"How noble! He never told—he kept his promise," said the elder sister.

And ma fainted away, and the doctor thought her dead."

"When Ashton brought her home we all shrieked," said the youngest. "But she is quite well now—only we make her lie down, you know and she'll be so glad you are not frightened."

But just then, whom did they see entering the gate but Ashton Craig!

And when poor Nina turned her tearful eyes toward him and held out her hands, it was impossible for him not to melt outright; and the sisters knew that the best thing to be done was to leave the two together, which they did.

And shortly after, the two knelt beside the mother's couch, and on Nina's finger shone once more her engagement ring.

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After the Wedding was Over.

I could not help overhearing them, because I was walking behind the interesting young coupte as they came down the gang plank. He said:

"Odd, isn't it, my dear, that we should have seen Jack and Fanny off when they sailed before? You can't forget it. You came in town for the day. Don't you remember? And after the ship sailed we went to Delmonico's for luncheon?"

"Why, so we did, Bob," said the young wife, and then with apparent innocence, added: "That was before we were married."

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If possible tell the invalid something which will be pleasant for her to think over afterwards. Be very careful of what you say of her appearance. Above all things refrain from telling her she is not looking well to-day. It will worry her more than a well person can realize. It is pleasant when calling upon a sick friend to bring with you a few flowers or a dish of some homemade dainty.

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Just hear that rooster crow said Tommy. Anybody'd think he'd laid an egg.

Well, I guess he can be proud of his wife, put in Willie.

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