FOR THE LADIES

The Old Year's Blessing-

I am fading from you, but one draweth near Called the Angel-guardian of the coming year

If my gifts and graces coldly you forget, Let the New Year's Angel bless and crown them yet.

For we work together: he and I are one: Let him end and perfect all I leave undone.

I brought Good Desires, though as yet but Let the New Year make them blossom into

I brought Joy to brighten many happy days; Let the New Year's Angel turn it into Praise.

If I gave you Sickness, if I brought you Care Let him make one Patience and the other Prayer.

Where I brought you Sorrow, through his care

It may rise truimphant into future Strength. If I brought you Plenty, all wealth's bounte-

Shall not the new Angel turn them into Alms I gave Health and Leisure, Skill to dream and

Let him make them nobler, -work for God and If I broke your Idols, showed you they were Let him turn the Knowledge into heavenly

If I brought Temptation, let Sin die away Into boundless Pity for all hearts that stray.

If your list of Errors dark and long appears, Let this new-born Monarch melt them into

May you hold this Angel dearer than the last,-So I bless his Future, while he crowns my Past, -[Adelaide A. Proctor.

New Year's Festivities.

There is no more appropriate entertain ent for New Year's than a calendar party. This can be very simple and informal or quite elaborate. The invitations can be verbal, written or printed, according to the fancy and purse of the hostess.

The souvenirs, which should be cute little calendars, can be purchased at a bookstore or made at home. A very novel one has a before you wish to use. bird's nest full of eggs in an old tree with two birds perched near by on a branch. Below it appears in gilt letters "A Happy New Year.'

A very attractive one has a girlish figure dressed in furs with hands filled with holly and mistletoe berries. In one corner appears the quotation:

"Faith and Hope and Love here meeting, speed thee on thy New Year's way." A third one has a water-color sketch of

golden buttercups with the following lines: "Ye bright little buttercups,

Pour out your treasure
Of sunshine this happy day,
And carry good wishes
And love without measure,
And every happiness, every pleasure,
To brighten and cheer the way."

A fourth one has a spray of bachelor butons done in water colors on rough white paper with the quotation: "May the blessings of the old year fol-

low in the new." Ivorine is used for many of these novel and dainty souvenirs, and a bow of ribbon

is tied in one corner. Water color paper is

used for others. A silken cord and tassels is very pretty to hang them up by. On many of the more elaborate calendars we find a quotation and design suited to 2ach month. The twelve pages or leaves

ribbon and as time rolls on each page in turn is thrown over to the back to make room for the next. The refreshments for such an entertain-

ment can consist of sandwiches, oysters, coffee,

or flocks of birds with New Year's verses Then uncover and let it brown. can be made at home where one is artistic. These little works of art are always welcomed by the guests and afford a pleasant to have some good music suitable to the occasion and two or three poems, (Tennyson's "Ring out Wild Bells," for instance) read out by one of the guests.

Below are given a number of quotations which are appropriate for New Year's booklets and souvenirs.

> "A bright New Year I wish the, Calm be its peaceful stream: All joy and merry sunshine Upon thy pathway beam."

. The New Year brings happiness only to Whom the Old Year has taught how to conquer their foes; le who counts up his blessings will certainly That the year, though despised; was a friend | twenty minutes and serve while hot.

· Farewell, welcome; welcome, farewell; Such is the tale that our life has to tell: Welcome the new king with gifts still un-

" List to the bells as they swing to and fro, For the year that is passing so solemn and I can hear their sweet voices ring, 'Happy

"In the coming years enfolded, Bright and sad hours lie; Waiting till you reach and live them. As the year rolls by.

"Close to life are angel wings: Close to thy path are steps of love; Success and strength the Master brings, Who reigns the angel hosts above; Sweetly the New Year doth outshine, Whispering still of love Divine." " May happiness and love sincere, Gladden and bless the coming year."

"The year is gone! The year is come! The fresh New Year, the bright New Year, That telleth of hope and joy, my dear! Let us model our spirit to chance and change Let us lessen our spirit to hope, and range Through pleasures to come, through years un

But never forget the time that's flown." "Happiness pervades the phrase:
'Mayst thou have a glad New Year!
May it bring the golden days,
Having nought on earth to fear.'"

"May your friends be ever true, May your skies be ever blue. And sweetest flowers grow by the way You enter on to-day."

"May this token to you bear Many greetings warm and true; Sunshina days, a rosy future, This New Year be given to you."

"Fair with deeds of kindness Be thy year begun, Bright with love unfading Be its setting sun."

Choice Recipes for Cooking Chicken.

BROILED CHICKENS.-Select a pair of young chickens that will not weigh over two and one half pounds each ; split them down the back, clean and wipe dry, season with salt. Beat the yolks of three or four eggs and rub on the outside of the fowls, then dip them into fine bread crumbs, grease the gridiron and place it over a bed of hot coals from charcoal or hard wood, place the chickens on the gridiron with the inside down, broil fifteen or twenty minutes then turn over; when done have a large hot platter ready with a little melted butter on it, then spread butter over the chickens and serve immediately.

CHICKEN CUTLETS. - Clean, cut and boil a good sized chicken, skim out and let get cold; have some butter softened but not melted, spread on the pieces of chicken, beat three eggs, dip each piece of chicken in it, then into rolled cracker crumbs. Have some butter hot in a spider, put in the chicken and fry brown.

CHICKEN OMELET. -Beat four eggs sep half a box of gelatine, dissolve it in water | minutes to settle. and pour over it a pint or more of the liquor which the chicken is cooked in; season the chicken with melted butter and salt and pour the liquor over it. Put all in a mold or deep dish, set to cool awhile then put in | Some Famous Performances on Horsethe ice chest until ready to use. Slice thin and arrange on a platter with parsley or celery leaves. Cook and prepare the day

and cut up two chickens, wash thoroughly | has taken its place among nursery legends; in three waters, put in a pan and sprinkle nevertheless, it was actually performed, and with salt and cover with boiling water close- stands as a record of its kind. The highoff water and put the chicken in a stewpan, | in the world-the safety of his neck-coveradd a few stalks of celery chopped fine; ed the distance of over 200 miles in a little those who like the flavor of onion add a | under twelve hours. This performance small white one sliced; add a little salt, stands alone as the longest and fastest jourpour over the chicken equal quantities of | ney ever made on the same horse. Most of milk and water, cover closely and let stew | the long rides of which record exists have until tender; prepare gravy in a small been made for wagers; such records are saucepan by mixing one spoonful of flour therefore reliable. Squire Osbaldestone s with cold water until smooth, then add undertaking to ride 200 miles in ten hours, slowly half a pint of boiling milk and three | which he accomplished so successfully on fourths of a cup of butter, set on the stove | November 5, 1831, is one of the most remarkuntil it comes to a boil, stir together and able feats of endurance in the saddle, and add a cupful of rich cream, pour the liquor | has the merit of freedom from cruelty. The off the chicken and pour this gravy over it, Squire rode his race on the Newmarket race. Dispatches had already been sent by the cover and set over a kettle of boiling water | course, changing his horse every fourth | Austrian Government to the Porte, and if a few minutes; if the gravy is not salt mile. Four miles is a safe limit for such a these arrived before Capt. Townley brought enough, add a little before pouring it over purpose, as that splendid hourseman knew. his, all might be undone. Everything was the chicken.

young chicken, wash and wipe dry, rab each | horse in fair training could do his four miles | at the various points on the road to carry piece with salt, beat too eggs well, add two without distress in such time as to make that on the dispatches, and if Townley meant to spoonfuls of melted butter, half a cup of distance, with the consequent reduction in arrive first, his work was cut out. He provsweet milk; have sifted half a pint of flour, the number of changes, the most suitable ed himself equal to it in the teeth of diffistir in slowly, adding more milk if needed to for the purpose. Mr. Osbaldestone used make a batter, dip in each piece of chicken sixteen horses for his task, and rode stand- failure. He had 820 miles to go, changing old and cover well. Have ready a kettle of hot | ing in his stirrups like a jockey, while he | horses wherever and whenever he could; are fastened together by means of a cord or beef suet, drop in a few pieces at a time as kept his mount at best speed from start to the roads, never of the best, were you would fried cakes, drain and serve | finish of its fourth-mile heat, having quite a | deep with mud, and he had to cross the while hot.

very young and tender chicken, joint it; good training, so suffered no bad effects from and not half the journey had been covwash and wipe dry and rub with salt. Make | his exertions.

Coquilles De Volaille. - Takea chicken that will weigh at least three or four topic for conversation. It is always well pounds, cut and cook till tender, take the skin off and with a fork pick the meat from the bones. With a sharp knife, cut the shouldwin a prize if he arrived meat in small square pieces. Take a cup of the liquor in which the chicken was boiled, add a spoonful of chopped parsley, tea-spoon of chopped onion, put it in a spider over the | miles. fire; rub together one teaspoonful of flour hot broth, stir all into the broth over the fire and add half a pint of sweet cream, season with a dust of cayenne pepper and salt. Take from the fire and set away to cool. a large spoonful of butter; stir it in well. Slice a box of mushrooms over the chicken, then pour the gravy over the whole and dip it into shells, bake in a hot oven fifteen or

Bread Snowflakes.

ger, a pinch of cayenne pepper.

thicken it with flour and put it in a warm | fit any horse for such a journey. gin to look white and frothy, but will not if made and baked right.

A Few Simple Desserts.

No. 1 .- To one half pint of milk add the same of coffee; sweeten a little. When boiling hot, add two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch, wet up in cold milk. Stir well and pour off, when it thickens, into shapes. Serve with cream.

Flavor with lemon. Cook and serve as in last century, but none quite equal to it.

No. 1. of blanched and pounded almonds, onequarter cupful of sugar, almond to flavor. Heat and add two even tablespoonfuls of from Belgrade to Constantinople, in Octocornstarch. When a little cool, add beaten | ber, 1849. This ride of 820 miles was not whites of two eggs. Serve with whipped inspired by sporting motives; it was a race

one-half package of gelatine. Soak one hour came to be made is briefly told. It will be in the milk, then let it get warm (not boiling). Pour into a mould. It makes a very

COFFEE FOR BREAKFAST. - Mix one cup of ground coffee with one egg and one-half cup of cold water. Put it into the coffee pot, add six cups of boiling water and boil for three minutes. Stir down and let it set on the back of the range for 10 minutes. Eight tablespoonfuls of coffee are enough to make enemy, Russia, demanded the coffee for eight persons. Use freshly boiling water, not that which has stood in the kettle boiling for some time. Mocha and Java mixed is preferred to either alone. A granite pot with a V shaped spout is the best; scald it before using. Wash the egg and break it shell and all into a bowl; beat arately, the yolks and whites. To the yolks | slightly until the yolk and white are blendadd one tablespoonful of flour and two of | ed, add to the cold water and coffee. If but milk and a pinch of salt. Have ready a cup half the quantity is needed prepare the of chopped chicken warmed in cream. Put whole and then use half; do not try to half the omelet batter in a hot greased spider an egg. The shell of an egg is useful for for two or three minutes, then pour in the settling coffee on account of what little alchicken and stir together, set in the oven bumen may cling to the shell, so if the shell five minutes or until done. Then take out is washed after the egg is broken it is of no carefully on a hot plate without breaking. value for this purpose. After-dinner coffee JELLIED CHICKEN .- This is a very nice is made by filtering. Before serving the dish for lunch or supper. Dress and cut up | coffee pour a little out and turn back into two large chickens, boil until very tender | the pot, this clears the spout and the first so the bones will come out easily, skim out cup will not be muddy. If no egg is used the chicken and when cool take out the add a little cold water after the coffee is bones and chop fine. For two fowls use done, and then allow it to stand a few

LONG DISTANCE RIDES.

Foremost among English feats of horsemanship we have one which for generations has been represented in the circus ring. Dick WHITE FRICASSEE OF CHICKEN. - Dress Turpin's famous ride from London to York y and let stand twenty minutes, then pour | way man, riding with the very best reason

zalads, croquettes, cake, ice cream and a batter with three eggs, half a cupful of A most creditable performance by Austra- open and drenched him with blood. Save sweet cream, a large spoontul of butter and | lian mounted infantry in April, 1889, also No matter what the entertainment is, let flour enough to thicken, dip each piece in deserves mention as having been conceived for six hours to sleep, he spent five days it be suited to the glad holiday season and the batter, put a little butter in the spider, and carried out in a truly sportsmanlike and eleven hours in the saddle, latterly almake it a joyous occasion. Attractive when hot cover the bottom with the chicken spirit. The members of the Gympie Mountorated with sprays of flowers, snow scenes steam helps to make the chicken tender. maneuvers at a place called Lytton, near Brisbane, arranged to race home, a distance of 116 miles. With a discretion the his magnificent performance had not been German and Austrian executive had done in vain. Sir Stratford Canning was enablwell to copy, over-riding was provided against by the stipulation that no horse

AT THE WINNING POST

distressed, or in such condition that he could not do a further distance of ten Eleven men, fully equipped in and two of butter, then add a spoon of the 2:40 p.m. on Wednesday, April 23, The winner, Private Edwards, riding 12 stone 10 pounds, arrived at Gympie at 2 p.m. next day, thus traveling the 116 miles in twentythree hours and twenty minutes. The route then add half a cupful of sweet cream and lay over roads heavy from continuous rain, and included the crossing of a range of hills which threw out several of the competitors. The second man, Sergt. O'Neill, actually rode a better race than the winner, as his horse carried 14 stone 3 pounds, and came Make a rising of one good yeast cake, one | within fifty yards of the winner. The | cutions of vendors of "skimmed" condensed cup lukewarm water, one tablespoon white horses ridden in this remarkable race were milk. I am the more surprised at this, Farewell to the old king who gives up the sugar, one teaspoon sait, one teaspoon gin- all thoroughbreds, and were in perfect train- because you give so goodly an array of cases Soak the yeast cake in water until soft, a long course of preparation is essential to | milk. In 1891 the mortality of infants

Now hark to their changing so merry and potatoes, and let them be in cold water ing trustworthy data on which to estimate dren out of every 1000 born died within one After a time they are got within the traces. until your rising is nearly light. Then put | the traveling power of men and horses, for | year, and out of every 1000 deaths 231 them on the stove in cold water and let them | which purpose the Austro-German competi- | deaths were children under one year old boil. If the slices are thin, they will cook | tion is absolutely useless. Every man who | You have done great service by warning the quickly. Mash them fine, strain through a got home in the latter-and of the 119 Ger- public against purchasing spurious condenscolander, put them in a gallon jar, and pour mans only seventy-two appear to have ed milks and infants' food, but what are the over them the water in which they were reached Vienna-brought in his horse in Foodand Drugs Acts inspectors doing to allow boiled. Add half a cupful of white sugar | such a condition that if it did not succumb | the uninterrupted sale of the articles? It is and one-third of a cupful of salt, then fill altogether, its career of utility was at an one thing warning the public, and another the jar two-thirds full of lukewarm water end; each unfortunate animal bore testi-thing entirely to punish the vendors. and add your rising. The jar should be full mony that it had been taxed cruelly beyond have no objection whatever to seeing "skimwhen finished. Beat the mixture well for its powers, and proved in its state not how | med" condensed milk used with tea or cofa minute or two, then turn a plate upside far it could travel, but that it could not fee, although even then it is an imposition down over it and in a little while it will be- travel the distance asked of it and survive. upon the purchaser unless it be sold, as Our ancestors perforce made most of their "skimmed" condensed milk. It is the run over. I make my sponge when getting journeys on horseback until public convey- large sale of "skimmed" substances for supper and the next morning, before break- ances became general, and, as might be sup- feeding babies that I think should be refast, mix it hard enough for loaves. It should | posed, long-distance rides against time were | garded as one of the worst, as it undoubtedly be well kneaded. Cover it with a pan and not uncommon. One conspicuous case has is one of the meanest and most heartless, of after breakfast it is ready to be made into lately been unearthed by a descendant of frauds. The number of poor women who, loaves, when it should be well kneaded again. | the rider. Mr. Thos. Cole, in 1614, rode | ignorantly, use "skimmed" substances is Do not let the loaves get too light before from London to Shrewsbury, a distance of legion, and we shall never reduce infant feed them with chaff at \$250 a ton. baking them. This is the finest of all bread | 154 miles in fourteen hours. He started mortality until the sale of such articles is

told how often

HE CHANGED HORSES; but the then condition of the roads, if they deserved the name at all, makes it certain that he did so with considerable frequency. As an example of sturdy endurance, this

5 o'clock the same afternoon. We are not

No. 2. -One pint of milk, sweeten; one- performance deserves a more prominent half cupful of stoned raisins. When hot, place in our records of horsemanship. We add two tablespoonfuls of cornstarch. recall other feats of the same kind in the

Finally may be mentioned the brightest No. 3. -One pint of milk, one-half cupful example of pluck and endurance in the saddle known to us-Capt. Charles Town-tine." ley's extraordinary journey on horseback for life, not the rider's; a splendid response No. 4 .- One quart of milk, flavoring and | to the call of duty, and no more. How it remembered that in the year mentioned the Hungarian war of independence came to a delicate blancmange. - [Good-Housekeeping | bloody close, and the patriot Kossuth and many of his friends were compelled to seek in flight safety from the fate which threatened them as rebels against Austria. They made their way to Vidin, and there remained, trusting to the hospitality of the Turks. Austria and the Porte's hereditary

SURRENDER OF THE FUGITIVES,

threatening war if their demand was refused. The Sultan was disinclined to give up men he regarded, in a manner, as guests ; but fear of Russia might have overcome his scruples had the British Embassador, Sir Stratford Canning, not appealed to his sense of August 16, "will soon assume an appearof honor and dignity to stand firm. Sir ance truly European. Its principal cities are Stratford Canning was a power at Pera, fast being connected by medern railroads, and the Turks had grown accustomed to and before long the toot of the Icomotive look to him for guidance at critical times; whistle so familiar to your readers ears, and hence, when the Czar pressed for a plain yet so novel to the native Syrian, will be answer to he demand for the extradi- heard every hour in Jersualem, which will tion of Kossuth and his com-patriots, be the railroad centre. Our Joppa railthe answer dictated by Canning was way is about finished, connecting us direct-"No." Russia and Austria forthwith ly with the Mediterranean coast. A branch recalled their representatives from the line is contemplated to Haifa and one to Turkish capital, and war seemed inevitable. the Jordan. The passenger station has Turkey, quaking with fear, turned to Canning; his advice had led her into the scrape; he should see her through it. Sir To look at it one hardly realizes that he is Stratford was not a man who did things by still in Jerusalem-it is so thoroughly modhalves; the responsibility was tremendous, ern. The treight house is in course of but he did not shrink. He took upon him- erection. In seven days from now the first self to promise that England would stand train will be run from Joppa, and we are Lord Palmerston to ratify the promise which is of no small import to us. Th

the assurance of

ENGLAND'S SUPPORT.

Three-mile laps could have been covered in | in favor of Austria winning the race; three FRIED CHICKEN. - Clean and cut up a time relatively a little better but a sound special relays of messengers were waiting culties which might well have pardoned "set-to" with his pacemaker at the end of Balkans at night in utter darkness. CHICKEN COOKED IN BATTER.—Take a each. The Squire was a hard man and in Twice the horse he rode fell with him; ered when an old gunsbot wound worked when he stopped to change horses, and once most fainting with fatigue and loss of blood. ing of the 28th October he reached the British Embassy at Pera, and learned that ed to announce that the British fleet had been ordered to the Dardanelles and Austria and Russia, baffled, sullenly withdrew the demand they dared not attempt to en-

Without doubt the horses used in this ride suffered severely. But how would it marching order, started from Brisbane at had he been merely a bold and enduring rider, and not a horseman who knew exactly how far he might tax the powers of his "the more haste, the less speed," he could have ridden his first horse to death half-way through its stage, and would have found himself hopelessly "thrown out."

Condensed "Skimmed" Milk.

A correspondent of "Food, Drugs, and in only a few yards behind Edwards'. The Drink" says: In none of the reports pubthird and fourth men also arrived home lished by you do I see any records of proseing. It is hardly necessary to observe that of prosecutions for adulteration of ordinary under one year in England and Wales was place to rise. Pare and slice one dozen large | This Australian race has value as furnish- 151 per 1000 of the population; 149 chilfrom London at 3 o'clock on the morning of | rigorously dealt with. August 4, and reached his destination before

"Cool and collected"-The ice bill.

"Do you believe in the transmigration of souls, Joe?" "What's that, sir?" "Why, for instance, that that cow hashad a prior existence in another form -perhaps been a being like myself." "Oh no doubt the cow's been a calf."

JERUSALEM MODERNIZED

The Holy City Undergoing a Remarkable Transformation.

"Jerusalem, the railroad centre of Pales-

The words have an unnatural sound to most people, as with the mention of Jerusalem and Palestine is generally associated some fact of sacred history or the events of the crusades in the middle ages. But since Baron Rothschild has begun to carry out his gigantic colonization schemes Patestine has experienced an awakening, the Holy City has found itself moved by the mighty machine of progress and the destiny o ce predicted for Jerusalem by Napoleonse, us not impossible of accomplishment. The corsican's prediction was that Jerusalen would one day be the capital of the world. The last few months have worked a great change in the city so long regarded as having few attractions beyond its religious and historical associations. A letter just received by Professor A. J. Marks, of Chicago, from the Rev. A. E. Davis, a woman missionary who has spent eleven years of her hiern Jerusalem, gives a striking picture of the changes now under way.

" Palestine," says the writer, under date

JUST BEEN COMPLEMED.

by Turkey in the struggle, and appealed to arranging for a celebration of the event. without an hour's unnecessary delay. Akka-Damascus railway is progressing rap-In those pre-telegraphic days the idly. Starting at the great fortress of Acre "Queen's Messenger" held a more respon- it will run down the plain of Acre along sible position in his country's service than the coast of the Mediterranean and branch he does now. As in this instance, the out to Haifa. Thence along the famed plain question "Peace or War !" might be decid- of Esdraelon, with the hills of Calilee to ed by his speed; and where railways did | the north and passing near Mazareth the not exist, his speed often depended on his road reaches the Jordan by way of Shunem horsemanship. Thus when Lord Palmerston or Jezreel. At this point the banks of the looked about him for a man to convey his Jordan are of solid rock, and in the centre message of approval to Canning, he sought of the stream stands a natural pier of the not only one on whose energy and trust- | same material. From this pier east and worthiness he could rely, but one who could west will be erected suspension spans, conturn to the very best account the means of | necting the west bank of the river with the travel available. He saw the right man in | slopes of the Jordan plateau on the east. Capt. Townley, a famous rider to hounds The road will extend from the Jordan over and an intrepid soldier. Him "Old Pam" the slope of this plateau and along the crest dispatched, with orders to "spare neither overlooking and inclosing the castern shore of yourself nor others." On the 20th of Octo- | the Sea of Galilee. Reaching the plateau propber the messenger left Belgrade, carrying er near El'all and thence north to Damascus direct it passes through the most fertile and beautiful plains of Palestine. An English company has mapped out a road to connec) Damascus on the north with Gaza in the extreme southwestern portion of Patestine, in the plain of Philista. The distance is almost 200 miles. It will be seen that ere long our little country will be covered with a network of railways. In the last few months a wonderfulchange has been wrought in the city of Jerusalem. Several hundred new buildings have been erected including residences, shops, hotels and hospitals. The

RESIDENTS ARE ALL SUMPRISED

and know not what to think of it, because there does not seem business enough to warrant all this expense. The reason of this outlay and building activity is to be found in Baron Rothschild's purchase lately of a large tract of land comprising so no thousands of acres east of the River Jordan and near the Damascus Railway. This year he will send 1000 Jewish families to the tract. Near Acre he has also purchassouvenirs in the form of tiny booklets dec- and cover closely for ten minutes as the cd Infantry, having been out in camp for But he won his race: at 5:30 on the morn- three large colonies. About three weeks ago the Baron gained control of this land by paying what he calls 'hand money' to the owner of the plain of Esdraelon. By this he has bound himself never to sell the plain to any one but Jews. At present the Turkish Government refuses to all the Jews a deed of the plain. However, it is expected the government's consent will soon be gained to the transaction. It is only recently that the restrictions preventing the Jews coming to Palestine have been removhave fared with Capt. Townley's mission ed. A number of his colonists will be located in the houses being built for them in this city. A Mr. Scheick has been given a contract to build houses along the line of mounts? He must have failed. Making the Joppa road for miles A large institution is under construction which will be dedicated for the use of the Jews having no one to care for them. Houses for the accommodation of 100 familes will be built on the Bethlehem road, near the station."

A Rapid Death.

It is a white and dreary plain. There is a line of straggling gum trees bestile a feeble water course.

Six wild horses-brombles, as they are called-have been driven down, corralled and caught. They have fed on the leaves of the myall and stray bits of salt bush.

They are all young, and they look not so bad. We start. They can scarcely be held in for the first few miles. Then they begin to soak in perspiration.

Another five miles and they look drawn about the flanks, and what we thought was flesh is dripping from them. Another five and the flesh has gone. The ribs show, the shoulders protrude. Look! A paler's heels are knocking against the whifffetree. It is twenty miles now. There is a gulp in your throat as you see a wreck stagger out of the traces and stumble over the plain, head near the ground and death upon its back. There is no water in that direction, worn out creature.

It comes upon you like a sudden blow. These horses are being driven to death. And why? Because it is cheaper to kill them on this stage of thirty miles than to

And now another sways. Look at the throbbing sides, the quivering limbs. He

"Driver, for heaven's sake, can't you "I do, so help me God, I do. But we've got to get there. I let them out at another

mile. And you are an Angle-Saxon, and this is a Christian land .- [Round the Compass in Australia.