# Esther Gould's Book Corner

JUST PARAGRAPHS

It is said that five dollars is paid to anyone finding a typographical error in the Oxford Bible. If this could be extended to all books it would be a gold mine. Comparable to the idea of the frog in "Cinderella's Garden" who says "all the people I meet are just crazy to write. Now

-this is the clever part-let them do it, only they won't be paid. We're going to pay the readers." It seems as if something like this should be

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## THE REAL ADVENTURER

"COCK'S FEATHER"

By Katharine Newlin Burt. Houghton Mifflin Co.

Katharine Newlin Burt's book book after it gets going. There is a private yacht with every necessity good deal in the beginning about the and convenience and sail from San childhood of the characters which is Francisco on April 21, 1927, on pleasobviously stage-setting, giving us ure and adventure bent, incidentally mum penalty of 90 days in jail and clues to follow through as if they to pick up some polar bears, wild \$500 fine, according to the Chicago were road maps in their later lives. flowers and things for the Field Mu- Motor club. so much grown up writing about Mrs. Borden tells the story of their of the car must not be started until children if the author remembers adventures interestingly, and with the ferry has made fast to the slip how it is to be a child after all.

comes interesting. Sophie, the red- for most stories, perhaps, it adds to sengers, cars, freight and ferry haired and fascinating tryant is lov- the reality of this one, it makes us | equipment," the club points out. Ined by three men-the cave-man ad- feel that we were almost there. The dividuals who violate the law enventurer, the weakling artist, the book is profusely illustrated with ex- danger others, as well as themselves, seemingly too good boy, "teacher's cellent pictures taken by the photo- and may cause serious accidents." pet" of their childhood. The first two graphers of the party. scare her so that to get away from them and herself, she marries the third one, David Cray.

The story then becomes her struggle to understand David's fineness, to see that under his seeming staidness is a greater spirit of adventure than have any of the rest because he finds his adventure in doing the true, the fine things, and those which are close at hand, not being one of these arid adventures who wander over the world looking for something glamorous they cannot find. In the end after Sophie has tried being the arid adventuress herself, she realizes wherein lies her happiness.

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It was such a delightfully "once "Cock's Feather" is an awfully good upon a time" thing to do, to fit up a

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