

**H. P. WOMAN WRITES
CHILDREN'S POETRY**

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Under the tent of the sky.

There were elephants, blue,
And shaggy white bears,
And dozens and dozens of prancing
gray mares
With their beautiful heads held high.

Or in—

Lady Sleep

Her hair is like a veil
And her feet are shadow-still.
The flowers close their eyes
When sleep walks over the hill.
She is beautiful and wise,
And the lonely places fill
With a hush that is deeper than sighs
When sleep walks over the hill.

Another example is the poem—
Motor Cars

From a city window, way up high,
I like to watch the cars go by.
They look like burnished beetles,
black,
That leave a little muddy track
Behind them as they slowly crawl.
Sometimes they do not move at all
But huddle close with hum and drone
As though they feared to be alone.
They grope their way through fog
and night
With the golden feelers of their light.

Humorous, Whimsical

The success of Mrs. Bennett's work is due partly to her humor, her ability to tell a story in rhyme, and in certain whimsical interpretations of nature. She represents things and ideas which the children like. She has taken from children's reading the trite smugness, the silly, coy poetry which cannot hold the interest and attention of our modern, questioning children.

The poetry captivates young people. It is written in fanciful, imaginative realism, with a touch of the modern world, by a poet who dedicates it to "the children who make my motherhood a joy."

There are 50 poems in the book, each dealing in its own striking way with some particular object in which children are fundamentally interested. And besides, there are 105 illustrations by Lucille Webster Holling who can picture children's subjects in the way children want them. For instance, the poem about the Pussy Willows. Did you ever think of a pussy willow as a cradle in which the little ball of fluff was a small kitten asleep with its paws tightly clenched around the stalk swaying in the breeze?

The book is published by Thomas S. Rockwell Co., Chicago.

Local and Personal

Mr. John Lidicker and son John, Jr. spent the week-end in Delafield, Wisconsin visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Trout announce the marriage of their daughter, Sylvia Mildred to Oscar C. An-

derson, Jr. on Friday, February 7. After the ceremony the young couple left to spend their honeymoon in Florida.

Mrs. Ferdinand Wiegand left yesterday for Thomasville, Georgia. She is planning to spend several months at her beautiful estate there. She is

taking a party of ten friends with her and the trip will be made in a private car.

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