

BY LADY IN THE SOUTH.

My lady dwells in sunny lands,
She walks by tropic seas;
I know where her fair palace stands—
Amid the orange trees.

A SWEET APOLOGY.

"I wish you wouldn't fidget so, Harry. How do you expect we can get the pictures arranged when you joggle the table in that outrageous manner?"
"Well, I'm sure, Nell," answered the accused, deprecatingly, "it's rather rough on a fellow to be compelled to sit the best part of an evening handing the paste pot and sorting fancy cards. I thought you had outgrown that sort of thing when you put away your school books."

an album," giving vent to sarcasms regarding the pictures, the paste and various other things connected with the artistic employment.
"Nell! Nell!" yelled the musical Tommy, as my cousin's brother was called. "Here's a package for you."
We were most comfortably disposed on an old shawl, with books and work, in the grove, just to the left of the old fashioned farmhouse.

much disturbance. He had brought a charming collection of peace offerings, and was naturally confused to find his mulligande placed upon the supper table.
I am sure you will readily see that nothing short of unceasing devotion to fancy picture albums, albums large and small, of all sorts and shapes and sizes, together with a collection of character cards from all corners of the civilized world, and, in addition, a humble submission to the inevitable in the form of cream-chocolate bon-bons—then, and not till then, did our fair Nell accept a "sweet apology."—Sunday Mercury.

Scab on Potatoes.
The cause of the injury called "scab" upon the potato has not been well worked out, and it can not be asserted as certainly known. Probably several diseases are included under this common name. But a negative point which may be considered thoroughly settled, is that insects are not the authors of the mischief. There is, to be sure, an appearance of insect work, but nothing whatever has been observed to prove that they have anything to do with the malady, while many facts disprove it. The disease has been attributed to earth-worms, but in this again we have only guesswork, and the negative evidence is quite strong.

PASSING EVENTS.
A New Mexican recently came upon the body of a Pueblo Indian strapped to a tree, in Valencia county. An examination showed that the Indian had been fastened to the tree alive and left there to starve.
Robbery has become so common in Cheyenne, Wyoming, after night-fall that it is dangerous to traverse the streets. A number of vicious elements have been notified by the authorities to leave the place.

FARM AND GARDEN.

Milch cows should always be fed ground feed.
Feed carrots to color the milk and make the butter yellow.
Grooming the cows is a work which always brings a good return.
The pear delights in a deep, rich, warm loam, with a clay subsoil.
Iowa walks off with the best prize for butter at the New Orleans exposition.

Reports show that the number of sheep in Great Britain has suffered a great reduction in the past ten years, something over 5,000,000 head.
In driving the cows, never hurry them; as when their udders are full of milk, or they are heavy with calf, it is very likely to do them permanent injury.
The cherry grows best in a rich, warm, sandy loam. If a mulch of leaves, straw or brush is put around them they will be very much benefited by it.