## Double-Crostics: No. 123

## By ELIZABETH S. KINGSLEY


directions To solve this puzzle, ty-seven words, the definitions of which are given in the column headed DEFINITIONS. The letters in each word to be guessed are numbered. These numbers appear under the dashes in the column headed dash for each lettor dash for each letter When you word ghen you have
guessed a word, fill it guessed a word, fill it
in on the dashes; then write each letter in $t h e$ correspondingly numbered square on the puzzle diagram. When the squares are all filled in yov witl find (by reading from left to right) a quotation from a famous author. Reading up and down the letters
mean mean nothing. The ends of words; thereends of words; there-
fore words do not necessarily end at the necessarily end at the gram.
When the column headed WORDS is filled in, the initial letters spell the name of the author and the title of the piece from which the quotation has been taken. Unless otherwise indicated, the author is
English or American.

The solution of last week's Double - Crostic will be found on page 18 of this issue.

Definitions
I. Secular, material.
II. Home of dragon slain by Siegfried.
III. Variegated.
IV. Poem by Poe.
V. Not in the least.
VI. Aversion.
VII. Inside information (slang, comp.).
VIII. Impartial (comp.).
IX. Flower of classic Greek meads.
X. Florid in style.
XI. Small tax.
XII. Noisy revelry (2 words).
XIII. Resounded.

XIV Race of brutes in Gulliver's Travels.
XV. Play by Shakespeare.
XVI. Cuddled.
XVII. Luminous insect
XVIII. With this
XIX. Sailor's shout.
XX. Foiled, thwarted.
XXI. Crown Prince of Norway.
XXII. Remarkably.
XXIII. Explosive.
XXIV. Well formed.
XXV. German-Hebrew language.
XXVI. Ominous.
XXVII. Minerva's bird.


## The New Books

(Continued from preceding page) better, however, if half the ingredients had been left out. The chapters on Atlantis are perhaps more plausible than most of the fiction written on that popular topic, and there is much ingenuity in the means by which the inmates of a jettisoned bathysphere got there. But the rest of the story has a naiveté suggestive of juvenile literature; and as in all too many pulp serials, there is a long period in which the scoundrels refuse, under great provocation, to kill the virtuous characters, for no conceivable reason except that if they did, there would be no more story.

EARTH'S QUALITY. By Winifred G. Birkett. Dodd, Mead. 1936. \$2.
The title is sadly revelatory, for this book's one quality is a sensitive recording of earth, sun, winds, animals on the move, the scent of hay-stacks, all of the natural beauties of Australia's sheep ranches and wheat fields. Unfortunate, then, that Miss Birkett has peopled her scene with a set of wooden characters, stock types that move with a momentum generated by their long life in fiction: the old, strong-hearted patriarch who has bent the land to his will, his poet son who represents an effeminate break in the tradition, and, completing the cycle, the strong-hearted grandson within whose veins the old pioneer blood pulses once again. They, with all of the expected subsidiary characters even to the faithful, crochety family retainer, make an all-too-familiar dramatic pattern upon that really fresh and vigorous background. One might say of this book that every prospect pleases and only man is dull.
N. L. R.

## Miscellancous

OCEANIC BIRDS OF SOUTH AMERICA. By Robert Cushman Murphy. American Museum of Natural History. 1936. (2 vols.) $\$ 10$.

Among the thousands of books on birds which have been published in the United States, there are a very few which stand out like landmarks, such as the books and plates of Audubon and Wilson, Dr. Elliot Cue's "Key to North American Birds," and Dr. Frank M. Chapman's "Handbook of Birds of Eastern North America." It is probable that "Oceanic Birds of South America,"will win a place on this list.

The author, Dr. Robert Cushman Murphy, cruised on a New Bedford whaler in the South Atlantic and spent several months in the Antarctic collecting on South Georgia Island. Later he was associated with Rollo H. Beck, one of the ablest taxidermists and collectors now in the ornithological field. The results have been crystallized by Dr. Murphy into some twelve hundred pages of text, illustrated by hundreds of extraordinary photographs, sketches, maps, and diagrams, together with fourteen colored plates from paintings by Francis L. Jacques. These last not only comprise vivid studies of spectacular birds, but are unique interpretations of the stern
beauty of the Far South. What Rockwell Kent has done for the Greenland coast, Jacques has achieved for the Antarctic terrain. His paintings of a wandering albatross above a double rainbow, as seen by him in the South Atlantic, and of king penguins with the snow-covered mountains of South Georgia Island as a background, have a beauty that it is difficult to over-praise. Moreover, Dr. Murphy's book not only contains the best descriptions yet written of South Atlantic birds but includes also studies of the geography, history, meteorology, drainage, ocean currents, and other phenomena of the South American coast.
S. S., JR.

## Bricf Mention

Among recent biographies is the life of a forger, Roger Benton, as told to Robert O. Ballou. The book is called Where Do I Go From Here? (New York, Lee Furman, Inc., \$3). * * * A valuable book for those interested in the subject is Essays on Ancient Fiction, by Elizabeth Hazelton Haight (Longmans, $\$ 2.50$ ). This is a study of the evidences of story writing to be gathered from classic literature by a reader with a taste for character study and anecdote. It is a well organized book written with a critic's as well as a scholar's sense of value. Another scholarly essay is Death and Elizabethan Tragedy: A Study of Convention and Opinion in the Elizabethan Drama by Theodore Spencer (Harvard University Press, \$2.50). * * * The recent death of Pavlov, the great psychologist, makes timely the reissue of his Lectures on Conditioned Reflexes by the Liveright Publishing Corporation (\$3) ..*** The White House Conference on Child Health and Production is recalled by the publication of The Young Child in the Home: A Survey of Three Thousand American Tamilies, sponsored by one of the Com$m_{2}$ ittees of that conference (AppletonCentury, \$3).
The Van Nostrand Company are publishing Herbert W. Schneider's The Fascist Government of Italy, a useful summary ( $\$ 1.22^{\circ}$ ). * * * From the Oxford Press comes C S. Lewis's scholarly study in medieval traation called The Allegory of Love. The consideration is chiefly of the English writers with a background of the Romance of the Rose and the standard medieval literature. * * * In Methuen's Old English Library appears Kemp Malone's definitive edition of the AngloSaxon poem Widsith. In addition to bibliography and glossary there is an extensive preface and elaborate annotation dealing with the interesting historical questions raised by this ancient poem which purports to be the memories of a bard (10s. 6d.). * * * John B. Opdycke continues his valuable work in theory and practice of English composition with a book called Sentence, Paragraph, Theme (Thomas Y. Crowell Company, $\$ 2.50$ ) . * * * One of the translations which were done by T. E. Lawrence in his period of obscurity after his great adventure, when he wrote for various English journals often anonymously, was under the name of Ross, and has been published by Doubleday, Doran. It is a translation of The Forest Giant by Adrien Le Corbeau (Doubleday, Doran, \$2).

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BY P. E. G. QUERCUS

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$[\mathcal{O l d} \mathrm{Q}$. was pleased to notice a reviewer in this paper, last week, using the good old American word dornicks (meaning brickbats or boulders). The etymology of this seems obscure He's been enjoying Alfred H. Holt's admirable little book Phrase Origins (Thomas Y. Crowell) which traces many a wild word to its lair. $\mathbb{F}$ Noticed that Mr. Holt attributes the phrase The first hundred years are the hardest to Emerson; but don't forget that grand old poem by the 17th Century Tom Jordan (No. 335 in the Oxford Book) with the refrain "We shall be past it a hundred years hence." JJordan's line "Fish dinners will make a man spring like a flea" was always used as a menu-card motto by the 3 Hours for Lunch Club when it happened to meet on Fridays. We thank Mr. Arthur Bell (Falmouth, Mass.) and Miss Eleanor Wilby (Cincinnati) who both kindly sent us photos of the famous windship Cutty Sark anchored at Falmouth, England. [5] Our suggestion, to which we heard no reply, was that Berry Brothers, the famous wine and spirits merchants and proprietors of the Cutty Sark whiskey, should send her on voyages to ripen casks of Madeira in the traditional way. Everything Old Q. picks up seems to have vacationary sugcestions. Here's a note that the famous old travel firm of Thos. Cook \& Son (now amalgamated with WagonLits, Inc.) has started a book-review department, edited by Malcolm La Prade. We have a horrid fear that Mr. La Prade is going to recommend mostly the newest travel-books, whereas Old Q.'s favorites are things like Fielding's Journal of a Voyage to Lisbon.
[JThe Tall Man, a sea mystery by Gavin Douglas (Putnam) begins well; Old $Q$. has been reading it lying on a sand beach and has got a sunkist saddle. [ 5 Next on his list will be Manila Galleon (Appleton-Century) by the high-spirited hidalgo Cameron Rogers, a romance laid


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in Manila in 1621 when Spanish galleons carried treasure from the Philippines to Mexico.

एT The publishers' fall catalogues are already coming in; most attractive of them to date is Houghton Mifflin's, beautifully illustrated in some soft aquatone process. ${ }^{5}$ Among H. M. fall titles we note A Book Hunter's Holiday by Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach, and Green Margins by E. P. O'Donnell, a first novel, and first of the Houghton Mifflin Fellowship awards. $\square$ Also new novels by John Buchan, Sabatini, and Lloyd Douglas. 5 Catharine Gallagher assures us that in Lloyd Douglas's Forgive, Us Our Trespasses there actually occurs the I:p-servicing Mother-Goose sentence: Martha went out to prime the parched pump under the pear tree.

W3 Simon \& Schuster : in ounce for this month, in a way $t_{1}^{\prime}$.ai arouses good anticipation, Kathryn MacFarlane's novel about Emily Brontë, Divide the Desolation. The title, they remark, comes from "the unforgettable first sentence of Wuthering Heights." 邱As a matter of exact accuracy, they should say "the fourth sentence." "F The first, though not less pungent, is "I have just returned
 a pushover for anything about Emily Brontë. It is odd to think of Miss MacFarlane, living in Honolulu, recreating the bleak Yorkshire moors while writing under the tropical palm trees.
TJThe ads for Meet Nero Wolfe, the movie based on Rex Stout's Fer de Lance, featured copies of magazines in which the Wolfe stories have been serialized. They should have shown a picture of the book; Fer de Lance was not serialized, and Nero was originally to be met in book form exclusively. It was not until The League of Frightened Men that the instalment readers got him.

