NAME.—A little book, "The Heavens and the Earth," will tell you all about comets and other heavenly bodies.

HURRY.—Speak to the Protestant pastor, or English churchman, before you and your family will be lost for life if you stay; and although not known now, you will be known as a heathen. So ask questions before going abroad with any one who may be a convict for anything you seem to know.

PROOF.—If there are general school prizes, it would be better for you to vote something special to your class. But you can show your approval of industrious or good conduct by girls, although not called prizes.

FANCY (Ontario).—We cannot print in The Girl's Own Paper, the question about the German song we cannot answer. We wish you all to remember that pleasure is useful to girls in Canada. ORIGIN.—No one pronounces his marriage to a need of three syllables, except it came at some end of a line in a comic song.

DARING.—In some future number we may give some designs for felt-work and wood-carving. There are many articles in The Boy's Own Paper, but in case you have not access to the volumes of that magazine, we will try to help you.

SHOWAWAY.—There are no fixed scales of payments for assistance in shops. They vary in every town, according to the service required and the competition for the places.

KINESIS.—Lords for headache are as numerous as they are varied as the causes of headache.

DARING.—Get any volume of the Sunday at Home. The author will not advise you to assist in your charge or get the Pep-of-Day scripture stories for very young children.

KINSEIS.—The words are electric, magnetic, and so on is merely to attract ignorant purchasers. This article is of a very vulgar kind, and one that may well be understood by young that may be excited by any fiction, or mechanical machinery.

MAY.—We could not give any useful advice by a brief note. Consult the good vicar, or one of the Sunday school teachers, and get a lady who has much prudent and kind. Every true Christian is willing to help a sister in need, and to offer a hand that is as you describe. As to poetry, you may write any amount if it gives you comfort and occupation, but what is so valuable for publication.

ILLUSTRATIONS.—The Girl's Own Paper can be sent to this country by any part of the world, if remittance is sent for the papers and the postage. We are glad to give you that you have sent the notes on cooking and household, and other domestic useful as, you say, that "in South Africa, ladies do almost everything but the very best work." From Cape Town to whatever town you are nearest to, you can get the paper in quarterly parts, there being an edition prepared in this form for colonial use, as it saves cost and risk of loss in more frequent transmission by post. We close with the hope that there may be some art and useful, and will attend to your requests.

CUTS.—If you have some art and useful, too. Too many nuts may be harmful.

A. C. D.—We know no solution by immersion in which the goods may be preserved dry.

ACCESS.—The exact number of languages spoken in the world no one can tell. Besides, there is a difference in deciding what is a language and what are only dialects, or varieties of the same tongue. These are often as unattainable as different people in society, and the difficulty to Tract Society issues publications in more than a physical language.

COLLINS GIRL.—Your questions have been answered in previous numbers. Get vol. 11, all and luck numbers, if you can afford to do so, ordering through any bookseller.

DIAMON GIRL.—The subjects and rules for the next composition have been clearly described, and I cannot repeat them.

P. H.—At any post office, you can read what books are performed by girls, and you can make inquiries thereof where you see the announcements.

DARING.—If you have written a invitation from the mother of your friend it may be proper to go, but do not look as if the wish were conveyed to you. In a place like Edinburgh, you can easily obtain the advice of a good minister or district visitor, who may be able to help you for your laurels.

—We will give the legible of the Wandering Collier and the Young Man's May—Vol. 11, will be ordered through any bookseller. The Latin motto means, "not tossed by any tempests.

LOUIS.—Concluding that you are living under the guidance of a comfortable person, and suitable acquaintances herself, why not write to your minister, or the clergyman of the parish in which you live, or the missionary whose church you attend, might give you advice on the matter of looking of your health and surrounding circumstances. 2. We refer you to the article "Insecticides" and the correspondents on the subject of profitable enterprise.

ETHRA.—You should not say, "Mrs. —wants Amy and I to go and see her." You should say, "I wanted me." Your handwriting would be much the better if you improved. We are glad you value our paper so much.

EMMA BANFORD.—Have a name which about which you inquire are pronounced thus — "Tani-ha-aer," "Sul-sin-"l," "Era De-o-vo-lo, Der Fr-i-sch-

These loops, when separated, spring back, and stand out like two little brooms on either side. Now pull the two rings of cardboard a little apart, just to allow winding a piece of

FIG. 1.—CUTTING LOOPS OF BALL.

NURSERY

BALL.

Off woven balls are playthings all ways highly appreciated; little ones, from baby up. They will bright in their gay colours, and, above all, in their fluffy substance, which is so peculiarly attractive to the infant fingers. We all know the spirited jugs pussy's coat and the fleece of the toy lamb receive in consequence. Mothers and nurses, too, like the soft ball, for they can leave the children to have capital fun with it, and be in no fear of broken windows or ornaments. Like most one-piece playing-balls, the ball costs a mere nothing, as odds and ends of every kind of wool can be used for it: in fact, the more colours introduced the better. To make one, take two circles of cardboard of about the size you intend the ball to be, varying, say, from 4 in. to 12 in. in circumference. In the centre of each cut out a round hole from one-third to one-fourth of the cardboard; for instance, a circle 4 in. in diameter will have a hole from 1 in. to 1½ in. across. Place these two rings together, in which the core is to be used. Wind wool, and, with the needle, pass it through the hole, over and over the ring. At every fresh needleful let the ends of wool come outside, and continue to wind until you have filled it. Then pass one needle to the other end of the hoop and pass it through the hole. The winding finished, hold the covered circle in the left hand and, taking sharp scissors, insert one point of them between the end of wool and the edge of the outside, then cut along, splitting the several layers of wool loops, as shown in the illustration (fig. 1).

FIG. 2.—TYING BALL.

The separating cardboard being withdrawn, and the ends of twine snugly tucked inside, the brittling wool is combed or rubbed together, when it presents a solid ball that is trimmed till the shaggy surface is as smooth as felt (fig. 3).

FIG. 3.—BALL COMPLETE.

If not utilising stray skeins, shaded wool might be chosen as the simplest medium of obtaining a mottled appearance. In other ways regular stripes, spots, and various markings can be reproduced by winding each round, or each half and quarter of a round in distinct and well contrasted colours in short, numerous little fakes can be tried for fresh diversity.

In the same manner are made the skull and crossbones which are now so abundant in the finish of embroidered valances, small table covers, trimmings of baskets, &c., besides the peak of Neapolitan caps, and many woolen ornaments for children. The closer the entwining of the cardboard and the thicker the wool, the more compact and glossy the outside of the ball.