MARY HAD A LITTLE LAMB.

Every day we come across some new version of the popular poem, which relates the wonderful adventures of that wonderful lamb. The variety and surprising nature of the adventures in which Mary and the lamb—and particularly the lamb—are involved, indicate a considerable) development of the imperiuntive faculty among the contributors. We among two of the latest from the New York Surv. York SUN:

Mary had a little lamb As round as any gherkin, She took to school the old thing once-"That's how it was a workin."

It made the children laugh and play To see a sight so new-A little boy to Mary eried : "I'll put a head on you."

The teacher unto Mary said: "You cunning little elf. Why did you thus ?" and Mary said, "You know how 'tis yourself."

When Mary had to leave the school, She cried in a sad, sad manner, And went to bed, and suftly said, "That's what's the matter with Hannah."

Mary hat you leetle lamp, Vat vas its mishtress' bride, It lift, ound, lift, cond kept on lifting Qond ten it shtoppt-oond died.

Mari had von liddle scheep, Hish vold vas plack as ink: She dook him out to scheme von tay, Unt tround him in der Rink. Unt ven she go mid ped dat night, She dream she hear him pleating; But ven she vake, she vas misdake,

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EDITORS SOUTHERN CULTIVATOR -I will give my plans in detail for improving the condition of the poor Southern farmer. Divide the farm into three fields plant No. 1 in corn, sowing clover, and No. 3 in cotton, China cane, potatoes, &c. The next year let grain follow corn, cotton follow grain, and corn follow cotton. The corn should he sown in stock peas the last to the last plowing. We should also have meadows of Timothy and Herds grass, or others that will do as well, and woodland lots in winter grass, blue, orchard, vernal grass, &c. Rye makes good winter pastures on poor land, but has to be sown annually. If the summer range is not sufficient, bermuda grass makes the best in summer. and, if not grazed in summer stock can subsist on it in winter. Every man running as many as two plows should have a reaper-after cutting grain, turn in the hogs and stock that cannot subsist on the range, and keep them there until you gather corn, then put them in the cornfield. Turn inder clover sod immediately for cotton and all hoed crops. When frost comes finish fattening your hogs with po tatoes and ground peas. A great deal of these may be allowed to consume in the field. Turn your cattle into the winter pasture, and stock logs to the range or woodland pasture for the mast, which will rarely ever fail there. Sow grain with clover in your corn field and pick your patch of cotton and realize, as you should, twenty cents for it. Under this system our hand, crops and profits will improve every year. Of course all manure should be carefully saved and applied where most needed. Improved implements, seeds and stock should be used extensively to make the system thorough and more effective. Under this arrangement we would not need more than half the labor now employed, and would practically do away with the present cry for labor. By keeping enough stock to consume all hay, grain, pastures, &c., we would have a plenty of mules, pork, becon, beef, mutton, and wool to sellalso enough of king cotton to bring the present income and more. By this system we would dignify the labor and the farm, the former by paying more for it, the latter by making it more remunerative. OBADIAH JONES.

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