Sonoma.—The Overseers at the Mendo-
cino Reservation complain of persons, ignor-
ant of the penalty, trying to hire the Indians,
and inducing them otherwise to leave.
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From the Erie (Pa. Observer. To a Ginny-Foul.
That comes and squawks under my window, periodically, and makes me mad exceedingly.
You miserable, speckled critter, you!
What manner of bird are you? Or do you squawk that way in Ginny? where you come from, and so squawk now from educational prejudices?
What mischief do you pull your homey head out'n under your wing and squawk for? What's under your wing to make squawk?
You speckled swine of a bird!

Something offensive, I reckon, elsewise.
You'd keep it there, for its looks, better hide.
What do you go on the fence and squawk for?
Do you see anything alarming, you white gilled, speckled-feather, squawking fool?
How do you suppose a letter can read or write?
Or sleep, or live, you discordant, old, lusty, brass, French town, with all the keys open and the mouth piece cracked! [squawking machine!]
I wish I could pinch you, you everlasting perpetual.

What are you thinking of, you Gyms?
You rascal epitome of a Ginny war song:
A-sing o-lum-tum and conch-shell and down-east village trash band.
Dry up your speckled jay-doe of a machine shop!

Do you think that music, you outrageous vociferousness:
You boiler maker's exacerbated echo.
A squawking abstract of pandemonium.
Do you think a fellow can afford to furnish boot-jacks,
And so forth, to chunk with daisy, dog you?
May be you think it funny, you speckled pagan.

Quartz Mining Two Thousand Years Ago.

We have been favored by a gentleman, somewhat given to antiquarian researches, with a description of mining for gold, as it was carried on about a century before the birth of Christ, and for a considerable time before, which, in all its essential features, precisely resembles the modern operation of working quartz mines now practised in California. It will be observed that the principle upon which quartz is taken out of the earth, calcined, crushed with stamps and rollers, as also the manner of separating the gold from the pulverized rock, has undergone change, the additional elements introduced, being those of steam, of quicksilver, sawdust, and the improvements in the manufacture of tools, which have accompanied and form a part of the progress of modern civilization. The description is full of interest to California. It is extracted from the third book of the "Corpus Historicum" of Dioclesianus, a Sicilian author, who flourished about three thousand years before the beginning of the Christian Era.

S. F. Herald.

In the confines of Egypt, and the neighboring countries of Arabia and Ethiopia, there is a place full of rich gold mines, out of which, with much cost and pains of many laborers, gold is dug. The soil here natural.