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Oliver Herford (1863-1935), a British-born American humor writer, artist, and illustrator, was the author of over 50 humorous books of light verse and prose. Once a frequent contributor to Ladies' Home Journal, Herford's best-selling book titles include "Rubaiyat of a Persian Kitten" (1904), "Cynic's Calendar" (1917), and "Excuse It, Please" (1930).