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LOVE AND TIME.

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He asked her for her hand when she
Was very young and fair,
The summer in her soft blue eye,
His sunlight on her hair.
But she was proud and bade him win
Some meed of gold and fame,
Before he came love's smile to seek,
Her guerdon kiss to claim.
And so from love and her he turned,
The better both to meet;
The way he took was strewn with shards
That cut his pilgrim feet;
But upward still, till through this years
That stole his life away,
Fame's sunshine fell at last upon
One great, and rich and gray.
Ah, little of Time's change they recked,
Who parted long ago!
And Love may not be bid and becked
To hurry and to go.
Afar she weeps who bade him climb—
She knows as well as he
The prize he spent his life to win,
No guerdon now can be.

THE AFFECTIONATE BROTHERS.

The following extraordinary instance of the affection of three brothers (though pagans) to their mother, took place in the city of Mecco, the capital of Japan: "These three sons, who were in a state of indigence, worked day and night to maintain their mother; but as the earnings of their labor were not sufficient for that purpose, they formed a singular resolution. A proclamation had been issued by the cubs, that whoever should seize a robber, and conduct him bound to the magistrates, should receive a considerable reward. They therefore agreed that one of them should pass for a robber, and that the other two should carry him bound to the magistrates, that they might provide a subsistence for their mother. Having cast lots who should be the victim, the lot fell upon the youngest, who suffered himself to be bound and carried before the judge to whom he declared himself a criminal, though innocent of any crime. He was immediately thrown into prison, and his brothers received the promised reward. Before they departed, they were desirous to take leave of their brother, and all three embraced each other, and shed abundance of tears. The judge, who happened by accident to be in a place from whence he beheld this scene, not being able to comprehend how a criminal should show so much affection to those who had placed him in the hands of justice, caused the execution to be suspended, and ordered one of his people to follow the two brothers, and mark the place to which they might go.
As soon as they came home, they related to their mother what had happened; but the poor woman when she heard that her youngest son was in prison, began to weep, and giving vent to the most lamentable cries, said she was resolved to starve rather than live by sacrificing the life of their brother. "Go," said she, "carry back the money you received, and restore me my son, if he is still alive; if he is dead, think no more of maintaining me, but provide a coffin, for I will not survive him."
The servant of the Judge, who had followed them, ran immediately to his master, and gave an account of what he had heard. The Judge sent for the prisoner, interrogated him, and obliged him by threats to tell the whole truth. The young man having made a full confession, the Judge sent a report of the affair to the cubs, who was so affected with this noble action, that he was desirous of seeing the three brothers. When they arrived at the palace, he praised them for their filial affection, and gave to the youngest, who had offered to submit to death in order to maintain his mother, a pension of one thousand five hundred crowns, and one of five hundred to each of his brothers.

An exchange replies to the inquiries of a correspondent as to why women never sleep in church: We suspect it is on account of their uncomfortable head-gear. We don't believe any man, with his head jabbed full of hair-pins, and back hair twisted up so that a sneeze would break a blood vessel, could find repose even under the most somnifering discourse that ever banished human pain. It can't be did.

FARM STOCK AND ITS CARE.

Stock raising is conceded by all to be the essential source of profit in our Western farming, and good stock is furthermore admitted to pay best, but the care and keeping of farm stock is an important consideration, when the best profits are expected.

The feed for stock seems to be the only consideration by many farmers, and while that is bountifully supplied, many other important interests are overlooked, such as shelter, pure water, pure air and clean quarters. Shelter and protection in bad weather is cheaper than feed, even here in our land of plenty. Then, too, it sustains health and vigor that enables the food to produce the best results of growth and fat. Barns are, of course, desirable for the best stabling of animals, but if a barn is not attainable, or it is too small for all the stock, do not neglect them on that account, but put up straw or fodder sheds, protected on three sides, open to the south, and you furnish grateful shelter from storms, that will bountifully repay its costs every year, and you can soon build the barn with your profits of the shed.

Pure water is also an important consideration in successful stock raising, as important to stock as to man, and while our Western prairie farms have not running brooks like New England, good water is easily provided in abundance by wells and cisterns with wind mills, so universally adopted in some parts of the West with the best satisfaction, or by ponds, which is the most general method through this region, and when properly fenced to keep the stock out, and the water supplied to the stock with self-operating water checks, a constant supply of good water all the year round may thus be provided, without having to drive the stock two or three miles to the river, or else to let them do without in the heat of the summer or in the midst of winter, for sufficient care is not always taken to store up water against such contingencies.

Provide clean quarters with good ventilation and pure air.

A farmer who is thus careful to provide for his stock, will find the best market for his farm crops, he will breed only thoroughbred males, and with good stock and good care there is money in breeding stock on our western farms, while raising scrub stock with poor treatment does not pay the market price for the feed they eat and waste. We have a wide range for improvement in our breeding and feeding.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

The less men think, the more they talk.

He who sows thorns should not go barefoot.

Who soars too near the sun with golden wings melts them.

He who says what he likes, must hear what he does not like.

The good are better made by ill, as odors crushed are sweeter still!

Next to acquiring good friends, the best acquisition is that of good books.

Wherever the tree of beneficence takes root, it sends forth branches beyond the sky.

There is nothing more necessary than to know how we may bear the tedious moments of life.

We are more apt to use spectacles to behold other men's faults than looking glasses to survey our own.

Individual character is in the right that is in strict consistence with itself. Self-contradiction is the only wrong.

He who calls in the aid of an equal understanding doubles his own; and he who profits by a superior understanding raises his powers to a level with the height of superior understanding it unites with.

I venerate old age; and I love not the man who can look without emotion upon the sunset of life, when the dusk of evening begins to gather over the watery eye, and the shadows of twilight grow broader and deeper upon the understanding.—*Longfellow.*

DOMESTIC.

DRYING SWEET CORN.—Take it while it is young and tender, strip off the husk all but a little to hang it up by. Hang it where it will dry quickly. You can cook it on the cob or hull it off, just as you like.

To BLEACH a straw hat, soak it in milk a few days, then wash clean with soap, using a stiff brush; hang it in a tight box or barrel; put in a dish with live coals on it, and throw brimstone on the coals, and cover tight; five cents worth of the brimstone is sufficient.

CUSTARD PIE WITH BERRIES.—Make a custard with milk, sugar, eggs and nutmeg, as you would bake a custard pie, only adding berries of any kind you like, and a little more sugar, or apples, or peaches sliced fine, are good. Or other meats of walnuts or hickory nuts, or cocoanuts, grated fine. One cup of the meats to a pie; can add one tablespoonful of corn starch for a pie, if too rich.

ITALIAN CREAM.—Melt three-quarters of an ounce of isinglass in half a pint of milk, with a stick of cinnamon and a small piece of lemon peel in it; into one pint of rich cream put some granulated sugar, the juice of three oranges and a glass of brandy; whisk them up well and then strain the isinglass in it when cold and whip them all together; when it gets thick put in a mould; place on ice, in a very cool place.

PEA PANCAKES.—Cook a pint of peas, more than you would require for dinner, while hot put them in a wooden bowl, a lump of butter and a little pepper with them, and make them to a salve with a potato pestle or "masher;" in the morning make a batter either of wheat flour or corn meal, with eggs and soda, as for fritters; stir in the pea jam until it is thoroughly incorporated with the batter, and cook like any other griddle cake. They make a beautiful and palatable breakfast dish.

FASHION NOTES.

Ribbons must be narrow.

Watteau plaits grow in favor.

Sun-shades to match the dress are carried.

Children wear wide collars and cuffs now.

Some dresses have corded arm-holes again.

Linen ulsters are finished with the triple collar.

Silver jewelry now takes on the solid, massive form.

Leather belts are in demand for the plaited waists.

White fans are always the most elegant for full dress.

High back combs, engraved white metal tops, are in great demand.

Changeable silks in delicate shades are becoming fashionable for house dresses.

Corals are entirely out of fashion, with no prospect of coming into favor soon. It is a strange freak, when red in all its shades is so much worn in dresses and shawls.

For fanciful short costumes for out-of-door fetes and for short walking dresses Worth has revived the casaque. This casaque is a long close-fitting coat in Louis Quinze style, with large pockets, large pearl buttons, and a lace jabot. The casaque falls so low on the skirt that an overskirt is not required.

Ladies wearing low shoes now provide themselves with gaiters made of fine check, or of dark blue waterproof cloth, these gaiters button quite high around the ankle and protect the dressy stockings from the dew, or prevent the accumulation of sand inside the shoe, and will be appreciated by all ladies who are fond of walking.

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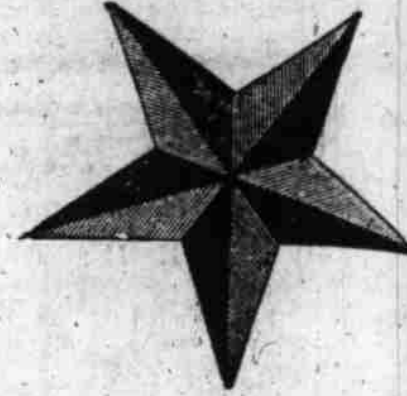
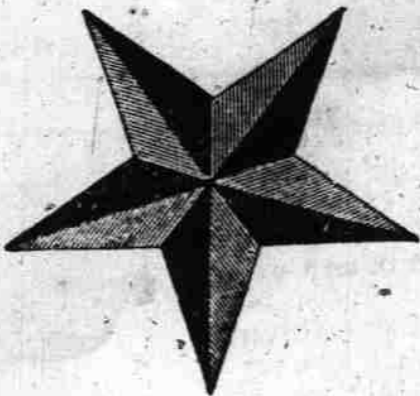
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