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a winter twilight the widower half-galloped:

"She was a good cook on a first-rate housekeeper. She was ravin'. She alters kep' me well-mended up. But I never liked her!"

The grotesqueness of the incidents does not conceal their tragedy. That might be made the text of a sermon on self-control, cheerfulness, lovingness and the other homely, useful domestic virtues. These same virtues must be planted and cultivated in the boy and the girl, if marriage is to be sought but an intolerable slavery for the man and the woman.

### Which Was It?

Selected. Sir William MacCormac, the president of the Royal College of Surgeons is an indefatigable worker. Often to save time when studying in his laboratory, he used to have a light luncheon served there.

On one occasion his assistants heard him sigh heavily, and looking up, saw the doctor glaring at two glass receptacles on his table.

"What is the matter, doctor?" asked one of the men.

"Nothing in particular," was the reply, "only I am uncertain whether I drank the beef tea or that compound I have been working on. And on the whole, I would rather it had been the beef tea."

The artesian well at Grenelle, Paris took ten years of continuous work before water was struck, at a depth of 1,780 feet, says The Engineer. At 1,259 feet over 200 feet of boring-rod broke and fell into the well and it was fifteen months before it was recovered. A flow of 900,000 gallons per day is obtained from it, the bore being 8 inches.

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Nothing is more beautiful than the old age of a man and wife who have grown dear to each other by the manifold experiences of life. So nothing is more grim and hideous than such an old age when the long years have heaped up bitterness and discord only. In many a country household, where wife-beating would be regarded with horror, there is practised a cruelty no less terrible and even more persistent.

An old couple who had been married fifty years finally separated because the man wanted a half-bushel of ash on the hearth and his wife wanted only a peck. They had argued the question unremittingly and sayagely for forty-nine years, and at last ended the bitter sport by a stormy parting.

There is a grim humor in many of the countryman's expressions of his domestic irritation and discomfort, but they are none the less significant of untold suffering.

One night a country doctor was detained at a farmhouse where husband and wife were notoriously incompatible. From the "kitchen bedroom" where he was installed he was forced to hear every word of a tirade which the woman poured upon the head of her husband. The victim bore it without a word. At last, the doctor relates, the farmer rose to go to the barn for his nightly visit to "the critters." With his hand on the latch of the door, he flung back over his shoulder:

"Waal, Sairy, there's that in ye that nothin' but the ground'll ever take out!"

An old blacksmith drove home from the funeral of his wife with a lifelong friend. As they rode slowly through

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Who'd rather do right any time than do wrong,

Yet who to a sinner shows sorrow and pity.

Wanted—a man—is there one in the city?

Wanted—a woman—no saint, understand,

But a womanly woman, who, on every hand,

Sheds the luster of purity, goodness and grace,

Whose wisdom's intuitive insight is deep,

Who makes living sunshine where life's shadows creep;

Who's poised in her little world's center, and who

Is gentle, responsive and tender and true;

Whose sweetness and graciousness fit like a gown—

Do you think I might find such a one in the town?

—Chris Cross.

The export of horses and mules from New Orleans to South Africa from October 1, 1899, to November 30, 1901, shows a total valuation of \$13,482,052. This is exclusive of feed, which amounted in value to \$992,618. The total number of horses and mules shipped is 143,050, of which 75,991 were horses.

snakes more than anything else. The tree covers an acre, or 12,500 feet of ground, and has resisted for many years the raids of vandal wood choppers who covet the mass of timber.

Aside from the oak groves the real forests of California are found in the mountains. The redwoods of the Coast Range are magnified specimens. In former years, fifty years ago, there were giants within five miles of the city of San Francisco that would today be of inestimable value; but the sawmill was among the pioneers, and the giant redwoods were destroyed, there being no vigilantes to save or revenge them. The writer saw the trunk of one of these giants in Mill Valley which had been leveled off near the ground and was used as a dance platform. Another was a bower or hall for other purposes. The young shoots had grown up around the edge of the trunk, telling the story of its size. The redwood forests of the California Coast Range are its chief glory, but they are being devastated with a ruthless hand.

In the Sierras the giant sequoias, cousins of the redwood, are preserved, and here are many pines, among the most beautiful of California forest trees. Typical trees are the madrona and euazatteta. In Northern California the latter are found near the sea, low down, but in the south they affect the higher levels.

### Knew by Experience.

Selected. The Irish witness very often contributes to the gaiety of the court-room, and not infrequently, as in the case of one whom the Baltimore Sun quotes, by mixing some truth with his wit.

It was a suit brought by an installment house to obtain payment for some furniture. The defendant, an Irishman, was asked if he knew what "quarter oak" meant.

"Sure, sor," was the quick reply, "it means that it's three-quarters pine."

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### Some Trees and Forests of California.

Scientific American.

An interesting movement is on foot in Southern California, namely the re-foresting of the Sierra Madre. For many years during the white regime and many more under the Indians, the fine range known as the Sierra Madre, the coast range of Southern California, has been burned over and devastated. During the past ten years forest fires have raged in the San Gabriel Valley and burned many square miles of territory contiguous to Pasadena and Los Angeles, seemingly threatening the water supply of this region. That something must be done, if the flora of the mountains was to be saved, was evident, but little progress was made until Mr. T. P. Lukens, ex-mayor of Pasadena, a lover of nature, undertook the work. At first, single handed and alone, he began experimenting with the best trees, and now as a result, he has planted tens of thousands of pines (*Pinus tuberculata*) on the slopes of the Sierra Madre in Southern California, especially along the line of the valleys beginning with the San Gabriel.

Mr. Lukens has met with great success, and in a few years the result of his labors will be visible from a distance and the water supply will be greatly increased.

The trees and forests of California are extremely interesting, and in their study or observation one is often impressed by their sensitiveness to various factors for or against a fine development.

Trees are susceptible to many influences. Near Monterey is found a remarkable oak locally pointed out as a "curiosity" as the creeping oak. The tree has made an extraordinary growth in former times, and appears to have been depressed by the winds until its many branches reach out from the trunk and appear to be creeping along the ground, while other branches fill the air above them, presenting an appearance difficult to describe, but resembling a mass of

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