

THE TREE LOVER.

Who loves a tree he loves the life that springs in star and cloud; He loves the love that glides the clouds and greens the April sod; He loves the Wide Beneficence. His soul takes hold on God.



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SYNOPSIS.

Chapter I—D'Auriau, commanding outpost where scene is laid, tells the story. De Gomeron has been appointed by Gen. de Drouot to a charge made against him. Nicholas, a sergeant, brings in two prisoners, a man and a woman, who are from the king's camp at Le Fere. D'Auriau, angered by insulting manner of De Gomeron toward the woman, strikes him. A duel follows, and during the commotion the prisoners escape. De Rone happens on the disorderly scene, and d'Auriau, upon giving his parole not to attempt escape, hears this remarkable sentence: "To-morrow... you must die on the field. Win or lose, if I catch you at the close of the day, I will hang you as high as Haman."

"There will be before this is ended." "Tenez! Let but the king agree to de Gomeron's suit—and he is hard pressed, I tell you, for Sully even is on Biron's side in this matter, and after that—" "What?" "Henry's mind will have turned another way. There are many who would like to play queen, and few like Mesdames de Guerville and Bidache."

"I see you have changed your livery with your old servant, chevalier," said Palin, sipping at his wine, as the man went out, closing the door carefully and softly behind him. "Not so. Jacques has merely gone away temporarily on some business of importance. In fact, he left to-day, shortly before you came in, and this man, or rather youth, has been lent to me by a friend."

watched you, and you are worthy. Be of good courage." He stretched out his hand and I grasped it in silence. "See here," he continued, "I have come to you like a thief in the twilight, because I have that to say which is for you alone. It is useless to appeal to the king. Our only chance is flight, and we have no one to rely on but you. Will you help us—help madame?"

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"MONSIEUR LE BARON D'AYEN."

ONLY A LICENSE.

An Old Iowa Couple Who Supposed the County Clerk Had Married Them. A lawyer told a few days ago of a strange state of affairs that came to his notice several years ago while practicing in the eastern part of the state. He had not been out of college very long, and to start in gave considerable attention to pension claims. One day an old woman, possibly 80 years of age, came to his office. She was the widow of a soldier of the war of 1812 and wanted him to look up her pension claim. He asked her to show her proof of marriage. The applicant said somewhere in her house she had the marriage license that had been issued to her in one of the eastern states before that war. But she had not been able to find it. She was told then that she must secure affidavits of some people who had known her husband, and of the fact that they had lived together for years and had brought up a family. One of the grown-up sons was with her at the time, and he secured the necessary information. But to be sure that everything was all right the lawyer wrote to the clerk of the courts of the county in which the original license had been issued. That officer replied that the license had been issued, but that no return of marriage had ever been made. A few days the old woman came back to see her lawyer about the matter and by that time she had found the time-worn marriage license. But that was all she did have. It afterward developed that the couple had understood that when the license was issued to them that it was all that was necessary. They never called in a preacher to perform the ceremony, and had lived together for all those years, and had brought up a large family.—Sioux City Journal.

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