The Best Wife of All.

Three travelers met in the Brander Pass,
By the bubbling Brander spring;
They shared their cake and their venison,
And they talked of many a thing.
Of books, and song, and foreign lands,
Of strange and wandering lives,
And by and by, in softer tones,
They spoke of their homes and wives.

"I married the Lady of Logan Brae,"
Said one with a lofty air;
"There is na in a' the north countree
A home wi' a better share
Of gold and gear, and hill and loch,
Of houses and farms to rent,
There's many a man has envied me
And I'm maist than weel content."

'Dream of a woman as bright as day,
The second traveler said;
"Dream of a form of perfect grace,
Of a noble face and head,
Of eyes that are as blue as heaven,
Of flowing, nut-brown hair;
That is my wife; and though not rich
Oh! she is wondrous fair."

The third one said: "I have a wife,
She is neither rich nor fair;
She has not gold, nor gear, nor land
Nor a wealth of nut-brown hair;
But oh! she loves me! and her love
Has stood through every test.
Beauty and gold are good, but, friends,
We know that love is best."

They filled their cups in the spring again,
And they said, right heartily:
"Here's to the loving, faithful wife,
Wherever her home may be!"
And soon they took their different ways,
One thought in each man's breast:
"Beauty is good, and gold is good,
But a true love is the best."

Military Dog.

The canine service which has been introduced by way of experiment in the French Army Corps proves to have exceeded the most sanguine expectations entertained of its utility. During the separate operation or the 321 Line Regiment, the animals were placed under the control of Lieut. Jupin, with a party of four privates, and after three day's training they were fit for service. Upon vedette duty, and in company with single sentries, it was found that the keen scent and watchfulness of the "dachhunds" and poodles, which had been selected haphazard for the trial, enabled them to give notice by growl or importunity to their human companions of any movement or the approach of strangers within three hundred yards of their posts at night time. Sentinels were reassured by the society of the dog, and the pickets could repose in all confidence after the fatigues of the day. The communications between the main guard, or headquarters, and the posts were in the meanwhile efficiently maintained and not a single dispatch or report intrusted to the animals for conveyance in the leathern wallet at their necks was either miscarried or delayed in transmission. The carriage of papers, especially was performed with celerity and greater dispatch than by horsemen, and one quality of the four-footed orderlies, not unimportant in its way, was the instinct that naturally guided them in the search of portable water when the troops, as it frequently occurred, were athirst, and needed the refreshment.

The Language of Gloves.

The language of gloves is a species of telegraphy largely resorted to by young lovers in France. A young lady says "Yes," by dropping her right glove into her left hand; "No," by rolling the two gloves together. She conveys the invitation: "Follow me into the garden" by the patomine of brushing an imaginary speck of dust off her left arm with one or both gloves. The manœuvre of drawing one hand over them as if to smooth the leather means: "I love you still the same." Should she desire to know if her feelings are reciprocated, she will partially remove the left glove. "Be circumspect" is expressed by turning the ends of the glove of either hand delicately around the fingers. Lastly, if the lady has anything to complain of in her lover's conduct, she expresses her dissatisfaction by placing her gloves in the form of a cross on the table or on her lap.

The Year Without a Summer.

Since the recent hot spell there have been many and anxious inquiries as to the date of the mythical "year without a summer." It makes the reader feel cool and pleasant just to dream of it. There was such a year in fact. It was in 1816, January and February were mild; April began warm, but ended in snow and ice; in May the ice formed an inch thick in the Middle Atlantic States; in June ice and frost were common, killing all the fruit. Snow fell in New England on June 17, and ice formed in July and August, destroying the corn crop and raising the price to $5 a bushel, while flour averaged $18 a barrel during the year. A change of this sort would be a little too violent for even the most pronounced hot weather grumbler.

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Mr. Docking, in whose possession these specimens are at the present time, tells a romantic story regarding their discovery. In one of the spurs of the Sierra Madre mountains, not far from the banks of the Gila river and almost on the boundary line between Arizona and New Mexico, a party of American miners was searching for treasure which tradition says is buried in these hills. A cavern was one day discovered, hermetically sealed with a cement which defied the picks of the party, and only after clipping it off flake by flake was entrance gained to the cave. Lighted only by the flame of a blazzing pine branch they traversed a passage about thirty feet in length, which ended in a room cut in the solid rock. Here, instead of untold gold and other treasure of Aztecs, they were startled to find a number of human bodies, looking more gastly than usual in the flickering light of the torches. After recovering from their surprise, preparations were made to remove the remains, but the superstitious natives of the vicinity, believing that the bodies were those of their gods, objected to the proceedings, and it was only with much diplomacy and occasional skirmishes that they were finally conveyed to a flag station on the Southern Pacific road and transported to this city, where they were placed in charge of Mr. Docking, who will keep them in his residence, where they have been viewed by a large number of scientists and physicians, as well as by the various consuls of foreign power in this city.

The most remarkable of the number are those of a mother and child, which when found were enveloped in one shroud, portions of which are still to be seen covering the lower limbs of the mother.

Still another mummy is that of a woman, her long hair being in a state of perfect preservation. The feet are small and highly arched, while the fingers are long and tapering. Remnants of her shrowd still remaining is of a darkblue color, differing both in this respect and in texture from the material of which the other shrouds were composed.

Another remarkable specimen, however, is that of a man in a sitting posture, the body being considerable larger than any of the others. During life his girth of chest must have been much above the average, the whole of the upper portion of the body having seemingly been molded in gigantic proportions. The cartilages of the ears and nose are still plainly to be seen, while the head is covered with a dense growth of black hair. The eyebrows are well defined, while between the glistening teeth protrudes the tongue, now dried to an almost corkilke consistency.

The remaining mummy is that of a man, said by scientists to have been comparatively young at the time of his death. Many speculations have been made by those who have seen the collection as to his relation to the female bodies reclining on either side of him. And the different theories of brother and husband have many advocates.

That the remains are those of the ancient Aztecs, members of that civilization which was destroyed in Mexico by the soldiers of Cortez, there can be no doubt. The women and the smaller man present all the peculiar physical conditions attributed to this once numerous people. The high cheek bones and slanting eyes are there, the thick skin and black hair are plainly visible to the eye, and the height of the bodies, although they were found more or less doubled upon themselves, is estimated at about 5 feet and 3 inches. When this is taken into consideration, with the fact that the Aztec spread southward from about the 30th parallel until they inhabited the high plateaus of Mexico and Central America, there can be little doubt as to the race of which these mummies were once living members.

The specimens will be shipped east in a few days, and, in all probability, will find a resting-place in one of the principal museums of Europe. Although Mr. Docking has kindly shown them to all scientists and historians who have called upon him, they will not be placed upon public exhibition in this city.

The Opium Habit.

The New York papers lately published a very pathetic story about a very popular emotional actress. It was to the effect that she had become a confirmed victim of the opium habit, involving an almost total loss of physical powers, and actual destitution.

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Use nothing but clear hot water with a few drops of ammonia in it for washthe silver. The use of soap is said to impart a dullness to the appearance.

A good gloss may be produced on linen by the use of gum arabic. Pour a pint of boiling water upon two ounces of the gum, cover it and let stand over night. One teaspoonful in the starch will answer.

To avoid scorching milk when boiling, use a double boiler or a tin that rests in a kettle of boiling water. The wetting of a kettle with cold water and allowing it to remain a few minutes before putting in the milk will also lessen the danger of scorching.

A very nice receptacle for shoes is a square wooden box with a lid covered with cretonne. The lid is stuffed, ottoman like, and a little valance falls over the box. This, placed in a bedroom, is useful as well as pretty, and serves for a low seat.

Poultry should be killed a few days before eaten, dressed at once and hung in a cool place with some small pieces of charcoal inside. The reason that poultry killed at home is not tender as that from the market is that it is generally killed and eaten at once.

True housekeeping consists not only in cleaning things, but in keeping them clean. Still, there is such a thing as keeping house too anxiously. Cleanliness that forbids freedom is an evil. There are those who will not let trees grow about their house because they shed their leaves.

When the linen has turned yellow, cut up a pound of white soap into a gallon of milk, and hang it over a fire in a wash-kettle. When the soap has completely melted put in the linen and boil it half an hour; then take it out. Have ready a lather of soap and water; wash the linen in it, and then rinse it through two cold waters, with a very little blue in the last.

A neat, clean, fresh-aired, cheerful, well-arranged house exerts a moral influence over its inmates, and makes the members of a family peaceable and considerate of each other's feelings and happiness. The connection is obvious between the state of mind thus produced and respect for others, and for those higher duties and obligations which no law can enforce.

Fish for invalids should be boiled—gently boiled—and prettily garnished and prettily served; indeed, the more neatly and sweetly a sick person's viands are presented the more he will relish them, and with the greater heart and hope will he eat. Let the linen, then, be like snow; let the silver glitter and the glasses sparkle; and if you can throw in a flower so much the better.

Busy women have a habit of keeping on their feet just as long as they can, in spite of back-ache and warning pains. As they grow older they see the folly of permitting such drafts upon their strength, and learn to take such things easier, let what will happen. They say: "I used to think I must do this so, but I've grown wiser and learned to slight things." The first years of housekeeping are truly the handiest, for untried and unfamiliar cares are almost daily thrust upon the mother and home maker.

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"From childhood until he was sixteen years of age he was made to suffer from the taunts and insults of his playmates. He was sensitive, and these affronts embittered his whole life. At sixteen he was sent to Switzerland. There he was brought up in the society of Revolutionists, who came from all parts of Europe. In that society he was a facile pupil. He learned to plot and scheme as easily as a duck takes to water. He never drank. He never rioted or indulged in blasphemy. He was the son of his mother, who, on learning his situation, herself having been hardened by years of suffering, wrote him simply to die bravely. She never recovered from the early deceits practiced against her, and she never married."

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