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ORIGIN OF PLANTS.—We find the following in an exchange. It will, no doubt, interest many of our agricultural readers.

Madder came from the East. Celery originated in Germany. The chestnut came from Italy. The onion originated in Egypt. Tobacco is a native of Virginia.

Poetical.

THE SHADOWS OF THE VALLEY.

There's a mossy, shady valley Where the water accompanied by And the daisies sleep in winter.

A BRIGHTER WORLD THAN THIS.

When first I trod life's early paths, All things were bright and fair; And like a bird amid the flowers

Miscellaneous.

A STRANGE-MINDED WOMAN.

One winter's evening, towards the close of December, 1856, the snow was falling thick in the department of the Upper Loire.

"Pardi!" exclaimed the father, "she agrees, and does not wait for us to give our consent. You shall share the office, sir, with Monsieur Gerard."

"Monsieur le docteur," said the porter, "this beggar girl, 'Godfather!' exclaimed the poor girl, who, hearing the title, concluded that she had reached her desired end."

"The fact was that in the fields Marie Lucille was studying even the stones. These, the herbs, the flowers, and the grasses, were her books."

"To reply you for aiding me to become what I am, I still want to teach—not to children, but to those who are willing to learn."

"Why retire thus early?" said a French prelate to her the other day. "To give others an opportunity of retiring as early," she answered.

"The women of Albany have commenced to cut their hair short, like men. The next movement of the 'strong minded' will be to rub whiskers and moustaches—if they can."

"The Madonian islanders do alone. They rove, and draw down the drench which serves as blinds to their windows; that they may not be annoyed by the sun's rays, and the wind's breath."

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"Courtling." I don't see why people cannot do their courtling by daylight, thereby saving an extra supply of lights, fuel and furnace pants.—A Break-stuff remarker.

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