A Woman's Love.

Deep the recesses of the dark blue sea,
Broad the expanse of the clear sky above ;
But neither half so fathomless can be
As in the depth of a true woman's love.

Stern fate, that causes dearest friends to part,
The strongest, holiest ties may often sever ;
But, in the secret of a woman's heart
The love once kindled will remain forever.

Man, in the heat and fervor of his life,
May soon forget the love that's scorned and slighted ;
But woman, hidden from the world's wild strife,
Will sorrow ever for the hope that's blighted.

And, as the ivy round the oak that grows
Will cling to it the tighter when 'tis shaken.
So to the heart that true affection knows
Affliction will a deeper love awaken.

The rose is stricken by the tempest's blast,
The violet at the north wind's breath will sicken ;
But woman's love through all things firm will last,
And sorrow only will new fervor quicken.

If thou wouldst woman's deep devotion prove,
Oh ! use it tenderly, and slight it never ;
For though no trials can its firmness move,
Unkindness will its ardor crush forever.

Farm, Garden and Household.

FRUIT GARDEN.—*Dwarf Trees* need pruning, washing with soap or ley, protection against insects, etc., and such other care as has already been suggested for trees in the orchard.

Pruning of small limbs may be done with the knife wherever necessary, to bring trees into shape.

Grape-Vines not attended to last autumn, should be pruned in the first mild spell that occurs.

Strawberries may be set as soon as plants can be procured, and the frost is fairly out of the ground.

Trellises will be needed for grapes, and posts should be got out. Where durable timber is scarce, set a short locust post in the ground, spike to it an upright of other wood.

Blackberries and Raspberries should be set as early as the condition of the soil will allow. The underground shoots, which will form the canes of next season, start very early, and are likely to be injured if the setting is left until late. —*Agriculturist.*

LOOK OUT FOR MICE ON FRUIT TREES. —Mice breed rapidly, and it may not be generally known that an immense number of them are usually destroyed, in autumn, by the filling of the ground with water and its freezing. This is one of Nature's modes of checking the multiplication of these pests to a degree that would make them worse than the frogs in Egypt. But the past autumn and winter, thus far, have been in many parts of the country unprecedentedly dry. We hear from some sections of so great a lack of water in cisterns and wells that much anxiety if felt for the result. In some cities the fountains are so completely dried up that large extra fire patrols are organized to watch against conflagrations. With the above facts in mind, it will be well for all having fruit and others trees to look out that they are not girdled by the redundant mice that still burrow in the dry soil. We well remember that, some twelve or fifteen years ago, after such a dry autumn, there were hundreds of thousands of fruit trees girdled and destroyed soon after the first heavy fall of snow. In many cases large orchards were ruined. Mice seldom, if ever, gnaw a bare tree, or one around which the snow is firmly tramped. The simplest protection, therefore, against their ravages, is to either keep the snow cleared away from any tree or shrub in danger, or to trample it firmly down around the trunk as soon as it falls To leave a light snow around a tree for a day or night will furnish a fine cover for the depredators to work under. Tarred paper put around a tree, and extending up 10 or more inches from the ground, and held by a string, is a further safeguard worth providing for all valuable fruit trees. The roofing felt, saturated with coal-tar, can be bought 30 inches wide for 5 to 7 cents a yard, in large quantities, and each yard will cut so as to make six pieces for trees not more that 5½ inches in diameter, or twelve pieces for trees less than three inches in diameter.

TREATMENT OF SALT MARSHES.—Editor *Hearth and Home:* I notice in your report of the meeting of the Farmers' Club, that Hon. J. A. Bill, is quoted as authority for ploughing reclaimed salt marshes. This, we believe, is not according to Mr. Bill's record. He tried the experiment once upon a small patch of his thirty acres of dyked meadow, sowed it with buckwheat, but it was a failure. The crop grew well enough, but was drowned out by the unexpected flood in the Connecticut. The most of his reclaimed marsh lands was never touched by the plow, and never sowed with grass seed. There was a small stream running through which brought down grass-seed enough from above without artificial sowing. Plowing may be well enough in marshes covered at times with brackish water, and where the black marsh-grass has never been able to grow, but where the sod has been once formed it is folly to use the plow. The sod is exceedingly tough, and will last for years after the salt water has been shut off. For such a sod nothing more is needed than to drain, top-dress, and to sow grass-seed persistently. Grass will grow where weeds will if it has a chance, and if the weeds are mowed early, so that they do not have an opportunity to go to seed, the grass will grow upon them and root them out. Among all the salt marshes reclaimed along the shores of Connecticut and Massachusetts, we do not know of one where plowing has been found profitable. The best crop for these lands is grass, and this is readily brought in by top-dressing and sowing seed. Many do nothing but sow the seed. In the case of the Jersey marshes, where plowing has been resorted to, a black marsh-sod had never been formed, and plowing was feasible. It may be advisable in the case of your Virginia correspondent, but we do not wish him to be misled by any misapprehension of the practice of those who have been most successful in reclaiming these lands. Red and white clover, timothy and red-top, all do well on reclaimed salt-marsh, and make excellent fodder. The appearance of the weeds after the tide is shut off, is a good symptom and should be followed immediately by sowing grass-seed.

A Chicago widow who has buried two husbands, insists that the law of the land entitles her to a third.

Summary of News.

THE New York Yacht Club has elected Mr. James Gordon Bennett, Jr., its Commodore.

AT a late auction in Greenville, Orange Co., N. Y., cows averaged $40 per head, and hay $22 a ton.

COLD nights have put a stop to gate sparking. If she don't ask you to come in now, you had better quit.

A COMPANY has been organized to construct a railway from Fredericton, N. B., to Rivier du Loup, Quebec.

A NEW-HAMPSHIRE man, who recently had one of his great toes frozen, chopped it off with a mallet and chisel.

A PHILADELPHIA paper suggests that the best possible use to which we can put Alaska is to make it a penal colony.

THE Commercial Bank of St. John, N. B., was recently robbed by burglars, who secured a large amount of money.

THE ladies give as a reason for marrying for money, that they now seldom find anything else in a man worth having.

MR. HOLT, a Chicago artist, was badly scaled by the explosion of a doughnut, which was placidly simmering in a kettle of lard.

THE Emigration Companies say that the influx of foreigners into the west during the next spring and summer will be almost unparalleled.

THE Chicago *Times*, in chronicling the fact that a man there married to get out of jail, remarks that "some chaps have a queer idea of liberty."

THE House Pacific Railroad Committee, it is understood, will report in favor of the Southern Pacific Railroad bill passed by the Senate last July.

THE Episcopal Church has at present 39 diocesan and 9 missionary bishops, with 220,000 communicants. The contributions last year amounted to $5,002,722.

A Halifax, N. S., telegram says the proceeding against the schooners Nickerson, Wonson and Franklin are closed, and the vessels will be promptly condemned.

GEN. Van Wyck, member of Congress from the XIth (N. Y.) District, treated the children of the public schools of Middletown, to the number of over 1,000, to a grand sleigh-ride.

THERE are now 66,000 French soldiers in Switzerland. The men are very badly clad, and the Swiss government has asked the French authorities to send clothing for their use.

ANOTHER call on the German Landwher for men between the ages of 27 and 47 has been issued. From the new reserve 300,000 men will be ready to march into France at short notice.

A SAN FRANCISCO man who brought suit for $100,000 for damages done his property by the great nitro-glycerine explosion in April, 1866, has been awarded $1,787.62 and interest.

THE rinderpest has appeared in Westchester, N. Y. Twenty cattle belonging to Mr. Wallace of Croton Falls, and some stock of Mr. Hynard of Somers, are suffering from the disease.

AT the meeting of the Conference in London, Russia is said to have fully gained her object—all her pretensions being acknowledged, she yielding nothing. Turkey obtains no guarantees.

THE Gloucester fishing schooner Edith Wonser, is supposed to have been lost on the Western Banks, with her crew, consisting of twelve in all, three of whom leave widows, and two nine children.

THE Apache Indians in Arizona are growing bolder, and make daily raids into the Pimo and Gila reservations, which hitherto had been considered safe. More troops are urgently called for.

IN the Supreme Court for the District of Columbia, Chief-Justice Carter announces that by reason of a divided Court, three concurring in the opinion, the judgment of the Court below, in the case of Caroline Brown against the Washington, Alexandria and Georgetown Railroad Company, for $1,500 damages for plaintiff, by forcible ejection from a car at Alaxandria, in March, on account of color, was affirmed.

The Markets.

NEW YORK.

BEEF CATTLE—Fair to prime	$12.00	@16.00
HOGS—Live	08½@	.08¾
Dressed	09 @	.10½
SHEEP	04½@	.07½
COTTON—Middling	.. @	.15
FLOUR—Extra Western	6.00 @	7.00
State Extra	6.65 @	7.20
Genesee Extra	7.05 @	9.00
WHEAT—Amber Western	1 57 @	1.60
" State	1.57 @	1.60
White Genesee Extra	1.60 @	1.85
No. 1 Spring, new	1.42 @	1.43
RYE—Western	1.00 @	1.10
State	1.10 @	1.15
BARLEY—State	.. @	.80
CORN—Mixed Western	.77 @	.82
OATS—Western	.62 @	.64
PORK—Mess	19.00	@21.50
LARD	.11½@	.12½
WHISKEY	.91½@	.92
BUTTER—State	.35 @	.37
Ohio W. R.	.26 @	.28
" Fancy	.30 @	.31
Western ordinary	.11 @	.14
Pennsylvania fine	.34 @	.36
CHEESE—State Factory	.15 @	.16
" Skimmed	.07 @	.10
Ohio	.10 @	.14
EGGS—State	.27 @	.30

CHICAGO.

BEEVES—Choice	$7.00	@ 7.50
Prime	6 00	@ 6.75
Fair Grades	5.50	@ 5.75
STOCK CATTLE—Common	4.00	@ 4.75
Inferior	3.50	@ 4.00
HOGS—Live	6.20	@ 6.30
SHEEP—Live—Good to Choice	4.00	@ 5.00
FLOUR—White Winter Extra	6 50	@ 7.25
Spring Extra	4.65	@ 6 00
Buckwheat	4.75	@ 5.75
GRAIN—Corn—No. 2	.52	@ .54
Barley—No. 2, new	.84	@ .85
Oats—No. 2	.45	@ .46
Rye—No. 2	.85	@ .86
Wheat—Spring, No. 1	1.30	@ 1.34
No. 2	1.26	@ 1.28
LARD	.11½@	.11½
PORK—Mess	22.00	@22.50

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BEEF CATTLE—Extra	11.00	@11.50
Second Quality	8.50	@ 9.50
SHEEP AND LAMBS—Common	2.50	@ 4.25
Extra	4.50	@ 7.50

BUFFALO.

BEEF CATTLE	5.75	@ 7.50
SHEEP	3.50	@ 6.80
HOGS—Live	6.50	@ 7.75
FLOUR	5.90	@ 7.25
WHEAT	1.20	@ 1.45
OATS	.50	@ .53
RYE	1.00	@ 1.10
BARLEY	.75	@ .78
LARD	.12	@ .13

ALBANY.

WHEAT—State No. 2	1.06	@ 1.20
Extra	1.48	@ 1.60
RYE—State	.98	@ 1.00
CORN—Mixed	.78	@ .82
BARLEY—State	.75	@ .85
OATS—State	.58	@ .62

PHILADELPHIA.

FLOUR—Penn. Extra	6.37	@ 6.75
WHEAT—Western Red	1.55	@ 1.58
White	1.80	@ 1.85
CORN—Yellow	.78	@ ..
Mixed	.77	@ ..
PETROLUM—Crude	.18,	refined 24

UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

SENATE.

In the Senate, the Income Tax Repeal bill was received from the House, with the suggestion that such measures could originate only in that body. It was proposed that this view be not concurred in, and that a Committee of Conference be appointed on the subject. This course was adopted.

A joint resolution was offered. commending the suffering poor of France to the sympathy and charity of the people of this country.

A bill to establish a new steamship line between New York and European ports was introduced and referred.

A bill for a new Federal Registration law, was introduced.

In the Senate, a remonstrance against female suffrage from women of New England, was submitted.

Information concerning cotton culture in Brazil, and trade between that country and the United States, was asked for on motion of Mr. Schurz.

A resolution expressing the sympathy of the American people for the sufferers by the European war was adopted.

The question of admitting Senators from Georgia was taken up, and the resolution admitting Joshua Hill was adopted, and that gentleman was sworn in.

The Consular and West Point Appropriation bills were passed.

In the Senate the joint resolution to make "Decoration Day" a national holiday was adversely reported.

The bill granting pensions to soldiers and sailors of the war of 1812 was passed after a long debate and a few amendments, by one of which the provisions are extended to widows of revolutionary soldiers.

In the Senate a memorial was presented in favor of a bill relating to a telegraph to Belgium.

The Committee on Pensions was discharged from further consideration of the grievances of the homeopathic doctor rejected as an examiner by the Pension Commissioner.

A bill to incorporate the Japan Steam Navigation Company was taken up, and after some debate on the expediency of Congressional action in such cases, was recommitted.

In the Senate the repeal of the resolution authorizing the payment of the Chorpenning claim was carried.

A determined effort was made to get a chance for the Air-line Railroad bill, but its opponents secured its postponement.

A bill for the relief of certain citizens of Virginia, for cattle taken by order of Gen. Sheridan, in 1864, was passed.

Three messages were received from the President ; one vetoing a bill for the relief of certain contractors for building iron vessels ; one recommending that the Berlin Mission be made first class, and one communicating correspondence with naval officers in Dominican waters.

HOUSE.

In the House the bill was passed which authorizes the Secretary of the Navy to institute proceedings to obtain damages and indemnification for the destruction of the Oneida in the Bay of Yeddo.

The Senate substitute for the bill abolishing the offices of Admiral and Vice-Admiral in the Navy was non-concurred in and a committee of Conference asked for.

The bill to extend the bounty-land system to soldiers and sailors of the late war, their widows and orphans, was passed by a vote of 184 to 2.

In the House the minority report of the Judiciary Committee on woman suffrage was presented.

The bill prescribing an oath of office for persons who participated in the rebellion, but are not disqualified from holding office by the Fourteenth Amendment, was passed by a vote of 118 to89. It provides that such persons shall take the oath prescribed for those whose disabilities have been removed.

In the House, the bill to extend the time for constructing a railroad from the St. Croix to the Lake Superior was taken up, and occupied the rest of the day. The debate had reference to the expediency of giving public lands in aid of railroad enterprises. This policy was generally opposed and a vote to recommit the bill passed by 103 to 84.

In the House a petition was presented from inhabitants of Ontario and Yates Counties, New York, asking that the appointment of one or more professors of the homeopathic system may be provided for in the proposed National University at Washington ; and asking the removal of the Commissioner of Pensions for his removal of a homeopathic surgeon as examiner.

After some debate on California land grants, the bill creating an additional land district in that State was passed.

In the House, a bill passed for the payment of a claim of $112,740 to Theodore Adams, formerly an army contractor in Missouri.

Several bills were reported by the Committee on Territories, and passed, among them one forbidding the Territorial Legislature to grant private charters, one limiting the sessions of the Legislature to forty days and the compensation of the members to $6 per day, and one annulling a tenure-of-office act of the Legislature of Montana. An act was also passed organizing Alaska as a county of Washington Territory, with its county seat at Sitka.

In the House bills were introduced to facilitate commerce with China and Japan.

Authorizing the purchase and registration of foreign built ships.

To encourage and regulate immigration from abroad.

In relation to the Zona Libre and the protection of commerce on the Mexican border.

To provide a government for the Territory of Chippewa.

The House refused to suspend the rules and order an inquiry in regard to the treatment of colored cadets at West Point.

A resolution was adopted inquiring into the use of the military at elections in California.

The bill authorizing the stationing of a vessel at New York, to take supplies contributed for the sufferers in France and Germany, was passed, amended so as to authorize the stationing of others at Boston and Philadelphia for the same purpose.

A motion to restore the bill relating to the central branch of the Union Pacific Railroad to the Speaker's desk was rejected, after a lively debate, by a vote of 125 to 77.

A motion to suspend the rules and restore to the Speaker's desk the Southern Pacific Railroad bill, was agreed to—129 to 61.

A request for leave to introduce a resolution allowing the use of the hall for speechmaking on woman suffrage, was denied by a vote of 42 to 149.

The bill to appropriate $10,000 for the expenses of the Committee on Southern Outrages, was taken up and amended so as to give $20,000, and then passed.

In the House petitions were presented, protesting against land grants to railroads.

The bill providing for a national system of education was taken up, and went over.

A bill was also reported and passed providing that claims against the government when once settled shall not be reopened after six years from the time of their origin, except in certain special cases. It also prohibits employes of the government from prosecuting claims in Departments in which they have served.

THERE has been an unusual mortality among woodchoppers in Maine this winter. Since the beginning of the year five men have been killed by falling trees, while a sixth has been so seriously injured that he is not expected to live. All but one of these accidents have happened to farmers who were engaged on their lots in getting up their fuel, and not to persons engaged in logging in the woods.

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