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GRANDPA'S HOME.

A tender recollection of the spring... under the waters, and the stream...

GYPSY ISAHIAH.

His Blue-Eyed Wife's Faith in Him Was Verified.

All lonely places the Trott farm... was the loneliest. Not a house in...

"Yes—to marry him." "Debby," said Mrs. Trott, are you crazy?" "I love him, mother, Debby simply made response."

"Then he may go away again," said Debby, resolutely. "For I never, never will marry any one but Isaiah Blackburn!"

"No, daughter; no," said Mr. Trott. "I won't be long. And you're best off at home."

"That's the second time you've done it, old fellow," cried he. "You shied just so when we came by before."

"Bless me!" said Farmer Trott, "it's our Isaiah!" "And so it was. Plodding homeward from his errand, his foot had slipped in the storm and darkness, and falling half way down the hill, he had broken his leg and badly bruised himself, only escaping from a still more disastrous fate by holding desperately to the savin roots."

house, a select tenement of three rooms, with his blue-eyed wife. "I do believe, Debby," says her mother, "you've got the best husband in the world!"

SACRIFICE IN UNIFORM.

The Kind of Devotion That is Always Ready For Dress Parade. There is a kind of sacrifice that is always ready for dress parade; that even amid the rush of the crowd counts its beads and crosses itself, always conscious of the contrast between its act and the pursuits of the majority.

"Lame or not lame," said he, "Old Whitefoot has got to take me over to Marshall Hill's to-night."

"Isiah!" said stout old Marshall Hill. "Of course, he's been here. Paid me that there fifty-dollar interest money, and I give him a receipt four hours ago. Ain't he got home yet?"

"The development in Japan is not due to the Japanese. These improvements were forced upon them by the Europeans and Americans. Railroads, mining and irrigating schemes, manufacturing industries, and impracticable enterprises are springing up like mushrooms in the land of the Mikado."

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

A citizen of Portland, Me., is worth \$1,000,000 that he has made in the manufacture of chewing gum.

A very ingenious electrical device has lately been patented by which the hands of a clock set to a certain hour are made to complete an electric current connected with the kitchen stove so that the fire is started when the given hour arrives.

A youth of sixteen, at Fort Benton, Mont., recently performed a difficult feat of capturing a gray wolf with a lariat from his horse. Twice the animal got away by biting the noose in the hand.

A Parisian lately made an Easter egg, intended for a wealthy Spanish lady at a cost of \$4,000. It is a most ingenious piece of mechanism and is made entirely of pure white enamel.

The true relation between love and sacrifice is understood. Victor Hugo offers his picture of sacrificial womanhood when he makes one of his characters say, "She loved much and suffered much."

A Medical Lake in Washington. At an hour's journey from Spokane Falls is Medical Lake, in the city of Middleburgh. Within a very short time a considerable settlement has been established on the borders of this lake.

HOUSEHOLD BREVITIES.

Take slices of stale bread and dip in the following mixture: Beat together two eggs, half teaspoonful salt and one coffee cupful of sweet milk. Fry in butter or meat drippings. Serve hot.

Sweet Apple Pudding.—Pare and slice half a dozen large sweet apples (or more if small), scald a quart of sweet milk and stir smoothly into it a teaspoonful of Indian meal, a teaspoonful salt and a teaspoonful molasses and the apples; mix well together, pour into a buttered pudding dish; bake three hours in a moderate oven.

Indian Eggs.—Boil some eggs hard, put them in cold water, then shell them and put into more cold water. When quite cold, take them out on to a cloth, cut off one end with a sharp knife so that they will stand upright. Now insert a small spoon and remove the yolks without breaking the whites.

Caramel Ice Cream. One of the Most Delicious and Easily Prepared Desserts. A caramel ice-cream is one of the most delicious and easily prepared desserts ever made. It can be put together, frozen and packed away for serving in half an hour's time.

The ingredients of caramel cream are a cup and a half of sugar, a quart of cream, a cup of water, a cup of milk and two eggs. Put a cup of the sugar in a saucepan over the fire with two tablespoonfuls of cold water, and stir it till it begins to turn brown.

The freezer should be opened once also while the cream is freezing to scrape down the sides of the can and beat the cream. When the cream is well worked, cut out a circle of white paper, press it down over it closely and put on the cover of the freezer.

STARTLING INNOVATION.

Chinese and Korean Ladies Attend a Theatre Performance in Washington.

Mme. Tshi Kwo Yin, the wife of the Chinese Minister, appeared in public to-day for the first time in her life. It was very much in public, too, for though it was the first time in her life, it was with all the freedom and publicity of an American woman.

Hardly had the flutter of the Chinese ladies subsided when another stir rustled over the audience and the Korean charge d'affaires and secretary, with their wives, entered the lower box on right of the stage.

Mme. Tshi's debut at the theatre was not, it seems, a hasty step, but had been seriously considered beforehand, and was the subject of diplomatic correspondence.—Washington Letter.

FRENCH ULTRA REALISM.

Dr. Holmes Analyzes the Mistakes of Flaubert and Zola.

The first great mistake made by the ultra-realists, like Flaubert and Zola, is, as I have said, their ignoring the line of distinction between imaginative art and science. We can find realism enough in books of anatomy, surgery and medicine. In studying the human figure we want to see it clothed with its natural integuments. It is well for the artist to study the muscles in the dissecting room, but we do not want the Apollo or the Venus to leave their skins behind them when they get into the gallery for exhibition.