

A ROMANY WIFE.

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In the low-ceiled living room of a small thatched-roof cottage standing on the border of a Suffolk heath a woman sat alone by the side of a wood fire, which gave out the only light that relieved the gathering gloom of a winter's night.

Something that sounded like the tapping of fingers at the window at length aroused the woman, and she opened the door and looked out into the night. The force of the wind as it swept into the room drove her back for a moment and she was obliged to cling to the door for support but it seemed to awaken her from her reverie, and she stretched out her arms and drew in deep breaths of the chill night air.

Half an hour later the cottage door again opened, and the woman stole quietly out into the darkness. She paused on the threshold and gave a wary glance at the night, but the dark eyes, with pupils scarcely contracted by the dim light, were restless, and revealed a faculty for fierce pleasure and pain that nothing else about her betrayed.

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her as she sat in the dusk alone. Night after night the craving for the old life had seized her; each time it had gained a fiercer hold, and she knew what she must do. And now again she asked herself: What was she doing among the fettered house-dwellers of a poverty-stricken hamlet—she who was of the true Romany blood, and to whom freedom to wander where she willed was the very breath of life? How could she let herself be chained to the hearthside of a poor laborer, who beat her there because she was able to cook his food and mend his clothes? She had come to him in a fit of pique after a quarrel with her people, and he had been only too glad to have her for his handsome wife; but he, too, had changed of late, and had often come home sullen and churlish because the village women had ridiculed him for marrying a Gipsy wife.

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Little Fannie Adams, of Umatilla, Cured of a Dreadful Malady A Cure of Unusual Interest—A Reporter Investigates.

From the Lake Region, Umatilla, Ida.

For some time past the Lake Region has been receiving reports from Umatilla, Fla., of an almost miraculous cure that had been effected in the case of Fannie Adams, a daughter of A. J. Adams, of that place, and last Saturday a representative of this paper made a trip to Umatilla for the purpose of determining the authenticity of the same. The family live a short distance from the village, where it was found that the people were cognizant of the cure, which had been effected, and were rejoicing with the family in their new found happiness. The father, A. J. Adams, is a hard-working honest farmer from east Tennessee, and the family came to Florida four years ago in the hope that a change of climate would be of benefit to their children, who were suffering from a disease for which no doctor's bills, whose services proved unavailing. The representative was greeted by Mrs. Adams, from whom he learned the story of the great trial.

The pills were bought at the drug store of Dr. Shelton, in Umatilla. In answer to the question, did he, to his personal knowledge, know that the remedy had benefited Fannie Adams, as was stated by her parents, the doctor said that he has regularly practicing physician, and as such was loath to recommend any proprietary medicine, but still he was satisfied that the pills were genuine. He said that he had seen the pills, and he knew that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had benefited Fannie Adams, and also volunteered the information that he knew of every case of this illness who had been benefited by their use. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold by all dealers, or will be paid for by mail, in 50 cent boxes, or six boxes for \$2.50 (they are never sold in bulk or by the 100) by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

COMMERCIAL.

SPOT WHEAT UNCHANGED AT SAN FRANCISCO.

No Changes in Barley—Bright Feed Scarce and Firmly Held—No Inquiry for Feed Oats.

San Francisco, Oct. 29th. Spot Wheat is unchanged; futures opened at a slight advance but, following the course of Chicago, the market fell back, cables are firm. No changes in Barley; bright feed is scarce and firmly held; medium grades are offering freely, with few buyers; brewing is inactive; oats are quiet. No inquiry for feed Oats; previous prices stand; some call for feed Oats. Large Yellow Corn is weak and low; Small Yellow and White are nominal; samples are offering to arrive.

Not much activity in the market for feed. The Peach market is hard to quote nowadays; the actual range is from 25c to 31c per box, according to condition and appearance of the fruit. Wine Grapes are in regular supply, but owing to slow demand prices do not improve. The weather is too cool for table Grapes to be in season.

Butter and Cheese are unchanged. Best grades of Butter are steady; others are easy. Fancy Eastern Eggs have advanced slightly. No inquiry for honey, for these goods, owing to the lower price, as compared with domestic Eggs; the quality of the Eastern compares favorably with the home product.

PRODUCE QUOTATIONS. FLOUR—Family Extras, \$4.75; 10; 24; 30; 36; 42; 48; 54; 60; 66; 72; 78; 84; 90; 96; 102; 108; 114; 120; 126; 132; 138; 144; 150; 156; 162; 168; 174; 180; 186; 192; 198; 204; 210; 216; 222; 228; 234; 240; 246; 252; 258; 264; 270; 276; 282; 288; 294; 300; 306; 312; 318; 324; 330; 336; 342; 348; 354; 360; 366; 372; 378; 384; 390; 396; 402; 408; 414; 420; 426; 432; 438; 444; 450; 456; 462; 468; 474; 480; 486; 492; 498; 504; 510; 516; 522; 528; 534; 540; 546; 552; 558; 564; 570; 576; 582; 588; 594; 600; 606; 612; 618; 624; 630; 636; 642; 648; 654; 660; 666; 672; 678; 684; 690; 696; 702; 708; 714; 720; 726; 732; 738; 744; 750; 756; 762; 768; 774; 780; 786; 792; 798; 804; 810; 816; 822; 828; 834; 840; 846; 852; 858; 864; 870; 876; 882; 888; 894; 900; 906; 912; 918; 924; 930; 936; 942; 948; 954; 960; 966; 972; 978; 984; 990; 996; 1002; 1008; 1014; 1020; 1026; 1032; 1038; 1044; 1050; 1056; 1062; 1068; 1074; 1080; 1086; 1092; 1098; 1104; 1110; 1116; 1122; 1128; 1134; 1140; 1146; 1152; 1158; 1164; 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