

THE DEPARTED.  
BY MRS. MARY R. FINCH.  
Sally and solemn we speak of the dead,  
Hushed is each whisper, lightly we tread;  
Flood we smooth the narrow green bed,  
Place marble and evergreen over their head.

Where winds come and go,  
With wild sob or low,  
And still is the flow  
Of life's broad'ning and dark-roaring river.

Oh! lend me the eyes of ages and seers;  
Visions exalted to see thro' our tears,  
Through gathering ages and fleet-footed years,  
And mourn not our loved when the pale guest appears.

WESTWARD BOUND.  
Journey by Wagon from Columbus, Nebraska, to  
Washington Territory—Jottings by the Way.

SODA SPRINGS, IDAHO TERRITORY,  
July 5th, 1879.  
EDITOR JOURNAL: This is one of the  
principal points on Bear river valley. I have never seen anything  
in the way of a spring which equals it  
in the amount of water, and I  
have heard several who had traveled  
extensively say the same. It  
gives forth three times as much  
water as the Hot Springs of the  
Middle Park, Colorado, but this water  
cold though it is marked Hot  
Springs on some of the maps.

To Make Alum Crystals.  
From a basket or vase of bonnet  
wire, any fanciful shape. Wrap the  
wire neatly but not closely with  
white yarn, otherwise no crystals  
will adhere to the wire. Suspend the  
basket in a wood vessel sufficient  
large not to touch the article of  
the crystallized anywhere at all.  
Dissolve alum to every quart of rain  
water, one pound. Have sufficient  
quantity to cover the basket entirely.

While Nebraska is not a mother  
of Presidents, she is the mother of  
some shrewd and enterprising girls.  
They live over on the South Platte.  
They have banded themselves to-  
gether under the name of "The  
Cooking Club," and once in two  
weeks they meet at some stated  
place, and each brings with her  
some dish compounded and prepared  
by her own delicate hands, and for  
which nature has only furnished the  
raw material and heat. Then in the  
evening a number of eligible young  
gentlemen are invited to partake of  
the viands, and on the long estab-  
lished principle that a man's heart  
is best won by the way of the stomach,  
there are doubtless many happy  
matches likely to result. All other  
things being equal, the best cook of  
the club ought to secure the best  
man in the lot. A hint to Sidney  
girls.—Sidney Plaindealer.

Diamonds Unearthed.  
Pity lives on the next floor below  
love.  
There are battles which are fought  
better without allies.  
Without are many sorts of crooked  
lines, but there is only one which is  
straight.  
The very exertions by which we  
seek to hide mental pre-occupation  
generally reveal it.  
Men, being egotists, suffer a woman's  
love for themselves to hide a  
multitude of sins.  
There are states of mind not fa-  
vorable to any but the most private  
devotions.

How little does one know of the  
real nature of the struggle between  
God and the devil, in the heart of  
another.  
Make but few explanations; character  
that can not otherwise be defended  
is not worth vindicating.  
Never accept of favors or hospital-  
ties without rendering an ex-  
change of civilities when opportunity  
offers.

How beautiful is youth! A little  
moonshine, a few musical water-  
drops, the strain of a song, and the  
young heart experiences poetry as it  
never could be intrusted to paper.

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At home words that we would  
pass by unnoticed when abroad  
would sound to the quick. There we  
assume no airs or affectation; our  
hearts are bare, and every little spark  
burns us. Can bare very little, and  
if we would have our homes a true  
one, we must carefully guard our  
words and actions, be kind and cour-  
teous in our address, polite and true  
in our manners, honest and gentle  
in our hearts, and every opportunity  
for wounded feeling, of  
offense.

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applied to the plaster, will stop  
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