

FEMININE.

I.

1. Names of virtues: la foi, faith; la charité, charity; la tempérance, &c.

EXCEPTION.—Le courage, le mérite.

2. Names of vices: la cruauté, la luxure, la paresse; cruelty, luxury, idleness.

EXCEPTION.—Orgueil, pride.

II.

1. Names of countries when ending with a silent *e*: la France, la Russie, la Belgique.

EXCEPTIONS.—(See the third of the preceding rules for the masculine.)

2. Names of mountains when ending with a silent *e*, followed by a sign of the plural: les Alpes, les Pyrénées, les Cévennes, les Cordilières, &c.

3. Names of rivers when ending with a silent *e*: la Seine, la Loire, la Garonne, &c.

EXCEPTIONS.—(See the third of preceding rules for the masculine.)

List of nouns the most used which are masculine in one signification and feminine in another.

Masculine.		Feminine.	
a—aide	helper	aide	help
aigle	eagle	aigle	standard
aune	alder (tree)	aune	ell (measure)
c—le champagne	wine	la champagne	province
crêpe	crape	crêpe	pancake
critique	a critic	critique	criticism
d—délice (sing.)	delight	délices (plus)	delights
e—enseigne	an officer	enseigne	flag or sign
exemple	an example	exemple	writing copy
f—faux	a falsehood	une faux	a scythe