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The Evening Chit-Chat

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DES is ever occur to you when something very unpleasant happens that isn't as bad as if it were twice as bad. Among my friends I have one incurable optimist. From every unkind blow that fate deals him—and it has dealt him harsh on the recovers himself with a smile. it isn't by any means the silly grin of the cheerful idiot—who doe ongh to be down in the mouth, either. It is the rainbow smile of the man worth while.

The man worth while, The man who can smile, When everything goes dead wring." In sheer amazement at his refusal to appear at least dis-concerted, just after a knock-down blow that would have made most men go about looking like walking tombstones, I in-sisted one day that he explain himself, and he gave me that first sentence as the key to his optimism: "When I was a little boy and anything I didn't like hap-pened, I always tried to comfort myself with that " Tisn't as bad as if it were twice as bad." "No matter whit the trouble was—whether I broke my leg or one of my pet rabbits, died, or it rained the day of the Sunday School picnic, or I didn't get the skates I want-ed for Christmas, I'd always cheer myself up with that 'Tisn't as bad as if it were twice as bad.' "And I still do." A funny little uotion, isn't it? But isn't there a whole phisolosphy of life in it? There are two points of view from which to look on life, more coming to think that the question of happiness and far more on which point of view you take than on the circum-

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over a solution of the world might be divided into two classes—the bodwell on the mountain top of "Tigu't as bad as if it were twice as ba people who dwell in the valley of "It's never as good as if it were bette. The people on the mountain are always looking compassionately down a folks less fortunate than they. The people in the valley are always looking enviously up and seeing fol e much more than they.

ey lack. There was an epigram in Life the other day to this effect: "The feminine pessimist worries because she is not as young as she once was; e optimist rejoices that she is not as old as she will be." The first, you see, lived in the valley of "It's never as good as if it were bet-r," and the second lived in the valley of "Tisn't as bad as if it were twice as ""

The only difference is that the mountain dwellers are happy and the valley wellers are not. Which class do you belong to? Or as you apt, like me, to migrate from one to the other? If you are, why don't you do as I think I shall—have the motto of the moun-in dwellers printed and hung where I can daily see it and daily be reminded into vimisism by it: "Tisn't as bad as if it twice as bad."

Daily Hints for the Cook

course they're both right. They both see things as they are, only difference is that the mountain dwellers are happy and the valley

is they possess. The people in the valley never seem to see anything lack.

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