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The dweller in the town commiserates the country resident in winter. Accustomed to the whirl and rush of life—amused only by exciting scenes, living a forced, unatural existence—naturally the white expanse of the winter fields and the mystery of the bare boughs arouse in him only a feeling of enint and loneliness. But if he could once be touched with the true love of nature—a love which has an alchemistic quality that transmutes the dross in the soul of man or woman to purest gold, and brings out their best traits—how changed everything would become! What beauties would be revealed in an afternoon's walk! Not a walk in the highway, but in the woods and lanes. If there has just been a light snow the secrets of the forest are printed as on an unsullied page—here are a few tiny characters which tell the number and street of the mouse's residence, and bold, pronounced ones which even the crafty fox cannot conceal; while here are the footprints of the rabbit he was pursuing. A pile of feathers and a few tracks in the snow proclaim the tradegy of the partinge and the owl's share in it, and an interincing of star-like tracery is significant of the fact that a great many dear little feather balls of snow birds have been breakfasting off the seed vessels of a patch of weeds.

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The hips of the wild rose are never so richly red as when they glow through the little tuits of snow scattered over the bush; and how much like a lovely, downy plume the goldenrod looks with its snowy freight. And with what a patient air of making the best of everything the balsam firs accept the burden that has been laid upon them during the night, and which obscures their green stateliness! If one loves the woods and goes into the swamp a great deal of treasure trove may be found in the sheltered spots, under the protecting evergreens—beautiful lichens, prince's pine and ground pine; trails of Mitchells repens with its scarlet berries; branches of wintergreen with its glossy dark green leaves and crimson fruitage. Again, there are the richly colored pitcher plants, and a branch of tamarack to which is fastened a "last year's nest;" a fungoid growth of rich mahogany color which only needs to have its edges punctured with little holes and have pine cones suspended from it to make a charming bracket.

Then there is the exquisite tracery of the bare branches against the dull blue sky, some gracefully pendent, others bold and erect; and, again, those with boughs delicately interlaced like one's thought during a reverie of all that has been beautiful and good in one's life.

If, all unbidden, a tinge of sadness

work," and the seventh shall be a day of rest.

The running of manufacturing establishments on Sunday is a very bad example for young people. It causes them to lose respect for the Sabbath day and the commandments, as only too often they are compelled to be in operation by parties said to be Christians. "Do unto others as you wish to be done by," should be one of the rules carefully observed by all milk producers and cheese factory owners.

Then, not only is the manufacture of cheese on Saturday night running well into the Sabbath day transgressing the divine law, but it is a violation of the laws of her Majesty the Queen. Surely no member, particularly those who make strong efforts to walk in the path of rightcousness, will ay that it is right to transgress both the laws of God and man.

But it may be said that it is necessary. The practice, as near as I can learn, is only arried on in the county of Oxford, the east riding of Middlerex and a very few factories in the east riding of Elgin. Not all the factories in any one county follow this practice. Why is it necessary for factories

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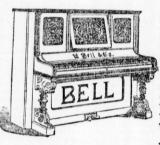
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