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MANY VIEWS RELATIVE TO JEALOUSY, DIVORCES, DELUSIONS, EROTOMANIA AND OTHER INTERESTS

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When on my visit westward, a few years since, to the scenes of my commencement in practice, and to revive pleasant "memories imperishably aureoled," not forgetful of visits to several leading hospitals and brothers-in-arms, my first visit was with an eminent surgeon, whose late wife—divorced—is a distant relative of mine. Not knowing of this state of affairs before my arrival, I had abundant opportunity to learn the causes of the separation and much of the misery connected therewith; and that I should ever again hear of such woes and bewailings I could not believe, but such it was my fate, while in Chicago, where divorces are said to be more numerous than marriages—and hell apparently has been let loose there, even as it was when, as a young M.D., I, without license, practised there for several months, leaving it for a home beyond the Mississippi, in the Hawkeye State. This was the Mecca of my aforementioned proposed revisitation after thirty-six years of absence from those with whom, for more than five years, I had pleasantly lived, and from whom I was not asked for license to practise, or even called a *foreigner* or *alien*; for, before the "seventies," nearly three-fourths of the number of graduates of our universities sought locations in the Western States, and a careful study of the movements of our young M.D.'s of to-day reveals the fact that the unwise medical restrictions in regard to licenses adopted by our prairie or Western Provinces are preventing our men from the making of their homes in our own lands, and the Western States, as ever, are welcoming the sons of the best of our people and our best men—the gifts of many prayers, cultured and God-fearing, yet self-expatriated from their native land, whose medical laws are burdensome and not patriotic; yet, whose laws allow