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<p>Ti. Gracchus anguibus domi suae mare <ac> femina deprehensis, certior factus ab aruspice mare dimisso uxori eius, femina ipsi celerem obitum instare, salutarem coniugi potius quam sibi partem augurii secutus mare necari, feminam dimitti iussit sustinuitque in conspectu suo se ipsum interitu serpentis occidi. itaque Corneliam nescio utrum feliciorum dixerim, quod talem uirum habuerit, an miseriorum, quod amiserit.</p> <p>Valerius Maximus, <i>Facorum et dictorum memorabilium libri novem</i>, Liber IV, VI, 1. http://www.thelatinlibrary.com/valmax4.html</p>	<p>When Ti. Gracchus caught two snakes in his own house, a male and female, he was told by the soothsayer, that if he let go the male, it portended the death of his wife; but that if he let go the female, he himself would suddenly die. Following that part of the prediction that portended his own death, rather than the death of his wife, he caused the female snake to be released; and was so resolute as to watch his own destruction when the snake was killed in his presence. And therefore I cannot determine whether Cornelia was more happy that she had such a husband, or more miserable in his loss.</p> <p>Valerius Maximus, <i>Memorable Deeds and Sayings</i>. 6.1. Translated by S. Speed.</p>