Her Father sent her in his land to dwell.
Giving to her a work that must be done.
And, since the King loves all his people well,
Therefore she too cares for them, every one;
And when she stoops to lift from want and sin
The brighter shines her royalty therein.

She walks erect through dangers manifold,
While many sink and fall on either hand;
She dreads not summer's heat nor winter's cold
For both are subject to the King's command;
She need not be afraid of anything,
Because she is the daughter of a King.

E'en when the angel comes that men call

Death,
And name with terror, it appeals to her;
She turns to welcome him with quickened breath.
Thinking it is the royal messenger:
Her heart rejoices that the Father calls
Her back, to diwell within his palace-walls.

For though the land she dwells in is most fair, Set round with streams, a picture in its frame Yet often in her heart deep longings are For that imperial palace whence she came. Not perfect quite seems any earthly thing. Because she is the daughter of a King.

BLOTTED OUT.

"He isn't worth a cent in the world, and he sha'nt have her."

This is what my husband, Col. Lee, said to me one morning, as I endeavored to bring him to reason in regard to the love affair of our only daughter.

I did not contradict my husband, although I felt that he was utterly in the dark about the whole matter. No one ever did that. I doubt if his opinion had ever been disputed in the whole course of his life. I ventured to inquire I love suffer. This morning we were

"But what have you against the man?"

"His poverty, for the first item," he answered; "but this would not influence me a particle if I saw any way earn a respectable living for a family. do the work, I reckon. Tell father like to know what is?"

"But, husband"____ "No buts to me, Effie. I have made up my mind. That landscape dauber shall not have my daughter. Tell Marion that this is my ultimatum, and on

again to me." This was a hard message to take to my c ild, and, I feared, an entirely unexpected one; for this "artist," "dreamer" and "dauber" my husband had been unusually polite. By his invitation he had become a constant visiter at our house, and through his instrumentality the young folks had fallen in love.

That Marion would obey her father I had not the slightest doubt. Never in her life had she given us a moment's concern. The giving up would be hard, of course, and my heart shrank from guage I can never forget, the trial the dear child would be compelled to meet; but that she would yield instant submission I was quite sure. story, for she gave me a keen glance as

I entered her room and said: "Don't feel bad about it, mother. I he state his objections?" she continued.

quietly. "He does not like Mr. Harris' profession; or, at least, has no confidence in it as a means of maintenance."

How very quiet the girl was. I looked and wondered.

"Does he know anything against Mr.

Harris' character?" she resumed. "Certainly not," I answered. "I think he believes him to be a thorough gentlemen, but lacking sufficient business enterprise to insure your future

comfort and happiness." "Mother!" and now my child's tones were very firm-"I beg you will say this to father: If he will prove Archi- whole past stood out before met bald Harris a liar, a thief, a gambler, a loose society man, or a piece of these, I again in this way; but upon no other conditions. If he is unable to do this, I shall share my lover's future with

him, whatever that future may be!" "And you will marry without your fa her's consent?" "Yes, ma'am."

"And break my heart?" Marion smiled sadly, and replied:

"Don't use that weapon with me, man I think him, I want nothing of | was a letter from Marion. him. If there is no black mark found against him I shall marry him. If I unfortunate husiness," she wrote. "I were not to do this, I should be cun- say, do not, because such grief is love each other."

you-never in the whole world"--rupted, as quietly as before. "That is almost well; and he has received an matter is between him and God."

band was wrong. I must sympathize is to be paid splendidly for it, and we the other-a difficult position, and my else. God only knows how glad I am heart failed me at the prospect. The that I went to my husband in his miscolonel would, I knew, continue obdu- fortune. He just needed me; and toterview, what else could I predict of thing-paint pictures, write poems and ficial on the commission. Marion?

interviews we found that Mr. Harris we shall evermore be a happy family. I had been very formally but very politely am sure of it." our house,

self to go round hunting up his ante- hotel. One day, after dinner, Marion, faith.

ter for you, and now you've nothing to face as pale as that of a corpse. do but make love to your mother and think so."

communication: "Darling Mother-Don't blame me, for no other course was open to me. Would to heaven there had been. I accidentally heard yesterday that Archibald was very ill. I immediately made it my business to find out how ill. To my utter horror and amazement, I discovered that his physician had ordered abroad. He has an acute bronchcal and homesickness and remorse generdifficulty, which the doctor declares ally, my father's back did, as I passed will not yield in this climate. I found, it a moment ago," too, that he was delaying this trip firstly on my account, and secondly bedefray the expenses of a long journey every jewel 1 possessed and sold them. | band. Yes, mother, I can do without jewels; but I cannot, must not, let the man married (I did it all myself-Archie fairly rebelled against the whole arrangement), and by the time you receive this letter we shall be on our way to California. I realized two thousand dollars from the sale of my gimeracks, under the heavens by which he could and this, with what Archie has, will Archibald Harris is an artist and a please to try and think well of me and dreamer; and if that combination is forgive me. If I had acted in any father!" not enough to condemn him, I should other manner in so dire an emergency I should not have been worthy to have retained the Lee, which looks very

Marion and Harris," By the way, this was the first bit of impudence I had ever known my no account to mention the subject daughter guilty of toward her father. Her letter ended in this style:

prettily now sandwiched between

"Love me and pray for me, dear mother. I will keep you informed of our whereabouts. Hoping and believing that everything will come right

"MARION." loving Oh, the storm that followed this, or rather the awful calm that preceded the whiriwind of a few days later. My husband neither ate nor slept for two days and nights, and we hardly spoke.

When his rage found words, then he cursed and left me-cursed me in lan-

Five minutes more and you will have My face must have told the whole neither daughter or husband. This equal to \$5,000, for the discovery of favorite makeshifts. house is yours, and you will find your--not a cent will you have to spare for was quite sure he would say no. Did the child you have aided and abetted in dishonoring mel"

Then the door slammed and I was

Twenty years of married life, and the very first quarret followed by a separation! I drained that cup of bitter- and one touching the other, and one fallen into a lazy habit. nothing from my daughter, and for twelve long months not a word from my husband.

all financial affairs, and my comfort tissues which have not yet congested. was strictly attended to. In this respect there was nothing to find fault with; but, oh! the utter bleakness and fingers at once ceases. The most exbarrenness of my life! How plainly the

During all the years I had spent with Francis Lee, I had never once asserted will promise never to think of him myself. By entire conformity to his wishes and implicit obedience to his will, I had managed never to come in contact with the angularities of his impetuous nature. My love for him had kept me entirely pas-ive, allowing my husband and my master to rule me as absolutely and imperiously as ever a domineering king rule I over the weakest of his subjects. To be sure, love kept the chains from clanking, but they mother, please, because under these cir- | Were there all the same; and now they cumstances it is not an honorable one. cut into my soul. The first ray of If Archie Harris is not the upright light that penetrated my gloomy home

"Do not grieve any more about this worthy to be your child, because we wicked. You have done no wrong. Let that thought comfort you first of all: "But your father will never forgive and then do try and be happy in the thought of my happiness. Archie is "Let him not, then." she inter- gaining strength every day-in fact, he order to paint a picture for one of the My daughter was right and my hus- walthiest men in the whole west. He with one honestly and fully and oppose are so happy about it and everything rate, and of course, after the above in- gether, dear mother, we can do anyget rich, perhaps; who knows? Father A day or two after these memorable will come back to you before long, and

him into conversation on the subject porary home in California. Orders ple among whom she will live, "I like body, more particular the muscular from their presence." was entirely ineffectual. He dismissed for pictures had been crowded upon America and Americans," she said, system, to which it causes great pain in her with this "flea in her ear," as he Archibald so fast that they had when asked her impressions of this performing its functions. A noticeable ris' character, and sha'nt trouble my- cisco and were then boarding at a that Lady Pauncefote speaks in good eyesight, and evidently the grip had the ment in cases of glanders can be car-

cedents. It's enough for me to know who had returned from a short shopthat he is a pauper and will always re- ping excursion, burst into the room main one. I have fixed the whole mat- where Archie and I sat talking, with a

"Come with me, softly," said she, in your ugly old father a while. It'll do a whisper. "As true as I live, I have just as well, if you've only a mind to this moment seen father in a room just down the corridor. The door was open A few weeks passed, and one evening a way, and, as I passed, I saw him sit-I found on my toilet table the following ting in a chair with his back toward me?"

"But, perhaps," I answered tremblingly, "it may not be he"-

"Come!" she interrupted, gaining confidence as she saw my excitement. "I guess I know father. Come! we'll surprise him."

"But, Marion"-

"No buts. I tell you to follow me him to go either to California or If ever a man's back expressed sorrow

She led me out of the room and through the corridor, and never once cause he really had not the means to halted until she had thrown the door wide open, and finally pushed me in. and a protracted (perhaps) period of Marion and Archie followed. A second invalidism. When I had gleaned all more and I had passed around the the facts I came home and hunted up chair, and was kneeling before my hus-

"Effie!" said he with a shout of joy, 'you here? God be praised!"

"And can you" --- I was going to say forgive, but he interrupted me. "Don't say that word to me, Effie

"But the children Marion and Archie?" I stammered. "On, yes," he smil d, "the children!

Where are they? I have nothing to forgive even there. I wonder if they can ever forgive their obstinate old

Then Archie and Marion came forward and the past was blotted out,

A Death Test.

If most people are afraid of anything it is of being buried alive. Not long since the writer stood by the bedside of an aged lady who was passing away. She was gradually growing weaker, and unmistakable signs of death were visible. When she could not talk, by reason of her weakness, and a pen was placed between her fingers, and with before long, I am yours and dear papa's great difficulty she wrote, in straggling characters: "Don't let them bury me alive." That cases do happen where it is very difficult even for the most experlenced physician to determine whether a person is really or only apparently dead without having recourse to means which, while they would at to mend it now." once settle the dispute, would place "You have done this, madam! You!" pardy, may be judged from the fact that | pin. Several days passed, and she forhe howled. "Now reap your reward, the French Academy of Science, ten got the circumstance. or fifteen years ago, offered a prize self provided for economically, madam perienced might at once determine whether in a given case death had en- have to do, anyway." sued or not! A physician obtained the ness to the dregs. For weeks I heard looks through the space between the The colonel's lawyer took charge of circulating; it shows itself through the When life is entirely extinct the pie- purse into her pocket. nomenon of scarlet space between the tensive and thorough trials established the truth of this observation.

Cost of Living in Hong-Kong.

Last April a commission was appointed by the Government of Hong-Kong to consider the question of increasing pin, which fastened her glove in dethe salaries of the colonial officials. It fault of a button, was plunged into her has now presented a report, which con- hand and inflicted a painful wound. tains some interesting facts respecting the cost of living in a foreign settle- her injuries were dressed. A few ment in the far East. It finds that in hours afterwards she thought of her the last ten years the cost of living in money, and felt in her pocket for her Hong-Keag has increased 20 per cent, purse. It was gone. The pins which for Chinese, clothing being the only had repaired the hole in the pocket where the piano is than in any other necessary which is cheaper now. Rent were likewise gone; so there was no has increased from 100 to 150 per cent. for Europeans and 100 per cent, for had dissapeared, Chinese houses, servants' wages have attendance has doubled, while the de- bruises. creasing purchasing power of the dolfamilles to maintain or educate at home. The commission, therefore, proposes that official salaries generally should be raised to an amount in current dollars equivalent to their origidisease resulting from it has appeared. nal sterling value, taking the dollar at The oculists are busy with patients who 4s. 2d., with no -European officials should receive an advance of 20 per cent. merchants, one being a Chinese, and ted. It is observed that the majority the Chief Justice, who was the only of persons so affected were victims of

Lady Pauncefote. "I don't know anything against Haris' character, and sha'nt trouble myelf to go round bunting up his antaindicated the majority of cases the majority of cases there had been former trouble with the eyesight, and evidently the grip had the eyesight.

BOOKS IN ANCIENT TIME.

Changes in Libraries Caused by the Art of Printing

The discovery of the art of printing wrought many curious changes; but in no respect was the transformation more striking, perhaps, than in the appearance of library interiors. So long as books were written by scribes upon leaves of parchment it followed of necessity that matter which might now be compressed into a small duodecimo filled what is called a folio-a book of the shape and size of a huge ledger. So heavy were these folios, that the wits of the day asserted that ladies read books which they could not lift. It was customary to ornament only the upper cover, and in order to show the carving, chasing and enamel work, the book was invariably laid upon its side. To protect the work of the silversmith or carver, the book was usually encased in a thin leather cover, called its "farel," the edges of which met in front of the book, where they were tied together by leather thongs, so that all dust and dirt might be excluded. To distinguish one book from another, the title was written upon a parchment tag which was fastened to the throngs of the farel or to the metal clasps often made use of. It was not unusual also, to inscribe the title upon the clasp itselt, or even upon the front edges of the book. From what has been said, it will occur to the reader that the first thing to meet the eye upon entering quality and amount of its previous acone of these old book-rooms was line upon line of books, lying flat upon the shelves with their front edges turned outward-a very different sight from that presented by a modern library, with its shelves of books all standing on end with their backs brilliantly ornamented. But the makers of these old folios did attempt to beautify the edges of their books. This process was termed "gauffering." The book was placed in a press and the edges were gilded, after which a delicate tracery was worked upon the edge by a small hammer. In other cases symbols and verses were painted in bright colors upon the front edges; so that, after all, the appearance of one of if it is something that they have long these old libraries was not so dreary as might at first be supposed.

Mending With Pins.

"Oh, that's nothing," said a young woman, "I'll put a pin in. I can't stop

It was a hole in her pocket that Helen life, if it really still existed, in jeo- Russell mended that morning with a

"Pinning it up"

some means by which even the inex- "I hate to mend," she would say, "and, after all, pins will do. They

Even holes in her stockings were prize. He had discovered the follow- caught together in this fashion, and a a piano," said a musical man to a reing well-known phenomenon: If the button off her glove was replaced by porter who visited his warerooms. hand of the suspected dead person is the same shiftless expedient. It was held towards a candle or any other ar- not that she lacked time to use needle scribe. tificial light, with the fingers extended and thread, but simply that she had

fingers toward the light, there appears a and a few days after pinning up the cold, as they are by dryness, and, rescarlet red color where the fingers hole in her pocket she went to the town | versely, by dampness. It is not generaltouch each other, due to the blood still treasurer and drew sixty dollars, her earnings for ten weeks' teaching. She put the money into her purse, and the

Then she made a few calls and went into the postoffice. As she was decending the steps of the postoffice, she caught ber foot in the trimming of her into an overheated, dry room all this quet of the wine, skirt, which had ripped and had been moisture is dried out, and the board fastened with a pin; she tripped and fell loses its shape and gets flabby and heavily on the stones.

Her wrist was broken by the fall. A

She was taken home in a carriage and doubt as to the way in which the purse

Searching and advertising proved of increased 10 to 15 per cent., imported no avail. She had saved a few stitches articles have risen in proportion to the at the expense of ten weeks' wages, a fall in exchange, the cost of medical broken wrist and sundry painful

"Twas all my own fault," she said, lar is severely felt by those who have penitently; "I'll never mend with pins

Failing Eyesight From the Grip. The ravages from the grip are yet felt by its victims and a new form of complain of a burning sensation in the the grip. One of the leading oculists,

THE ORIGIN OF PREJUDICES.

How it is That They Are so Hard to Overcome.

You see things from the standpoint of your previously acquired groups of ideas; I from mine. Strictly no two persons can see the same thing in the same way, for it can never hap pen that two persons have precisely the same groups of ideas relating to any subject. These depend on our past experience, on our education, on the beliefs of our times, on our various sects or parties, on our pet theories, our interests, and our desires. Here is a simple illustration. Suppose an artist and an engineer, standing side by side overlooking a tract of country. What they preceive is the same; what they apperceive is wholly different. To the engineer the country presents itself as a possible line for a railroad; with here advantageous grades and there economic bridges. Before the artist is spread out a landscape, with light and shade and harmony of colors. In the primary laws of knowing, we discover the ground principles of the psychology of prejudice. The results may be mmed up in the form of two laws: 1. We see only so much of the world as we have apperceptive organs for see-

2. We see things not as they are, but as we are-that is, we see the world not as it is, but as molded by the individual peculiarities of our minds. The eye is parents' house. limited by its structure to the reception of ethereal vibrations between the colors red and violet. The ear converts into than he is to-day. sound only air vibrations of a limited rapidity, Just so the mind, in its reception of knowledge, is limited by the

"No man," Emerson tells us "can learn what he has not preparation for learning, however near to his eye is the precious secrets to a carpenter, and he staying power. shall be never the wiser-the secrets he would not utter to a chemist for an estate. God screens us evermore from feast for his old age. premature ideas. Our eyes are holden that we can not see things that stare us in the face, until the hour arrives when the mind is ripened; then we behold them and the time when we saw them not, is like a dream.'

Instinctively, therefore, we seek the mental food that our minds are prepared indenting it with a steel die struck by to digest-that, namely, which is most clearly related to what we know already. In conversation, notice how people brighten up when you tell them something that they know already, especially believed or themselves discovered. We fall naturally into the vice of parading our own knowledge, and we like to hear others talk, not of their interests, but of ours. Sometimes even we indignantly refuse mental food that might serve as a corrective of our possible onesidedness, instinctively avoiding that which we feel cannot be assimilated without a dangerous readjustment of our mental possessions. The skeptic in religion opens a book on Christian evidences only to close it in haste when he perceives its trend; while the pious believer, who picks up the work of strauss or Renan, drops it like a burning coal. We avoid books, men, sermons, society that are not, as we say, congenial,

About Planos.

"Very few know how to take care of "How do you do it here?" asked the

"It is a popular notion that pianos ought to be kept very dry. Nothing could be more fallacious, Pianos are grave. Helen Russell was a school-teacher, not nearly so much affected by heat or ly known that the sounding board, the life of a piano, is forced into the case, when it is made so tightly that it bulges up in the center, on the same prin-ciple as a violin. The wood is supposed to be as dry as possible, but, of course, it contains some moisture, and gathers more on damp days and in handling. Now, when a piano is put cracks. Even if it doesn't crack the tone loses its resonance and grows thin and tinny, the felt cloth and leather used in the action dry np, and the whole machine rattles.

"How do you prevent this?" "Keep a growing plant in your room and so long as your plant thrives your piano ought to, or else there is something wrong with it. It should be noted how much more water will have to be poured into the flower pot in the room room. In Germany it is the practice to keep a large vase or urn with a sopping wet sponge in it, near or under the piano and keep it moistened. This is kept up all the time the fires are on."

In a paper read before the British Scientific Association on the Humboldtia laurifolia as an ant-harboring plant, Professor Bower observed that the peculiar relations between plants and ants had been the subject of considerable observation of time immemorial. Cook, in describing his voyages, dis- people bring up their children and then tinctly alluded to the matter. In one do something else. place he said that he had seen on a certain tree a number of black ants, which perforated the twigs, and, after eating out the pith, formed a lodging in the eye, which has become inflamed, and in cavity, and yet the tree continued in a to strengthen these promises human The report is signed by five leading some cases the range of vision is affec- flourishing condition. In tropical cli- welfare. mates there were many plants preeminently associated with ants. Italian botanist l'icari contended that the relationship was advantageous allke in speaking of the disease, said that the to the plants and to the auts. The eye seems to be the last part of the former afforded shelter to the latter, Lady Pauncefote, of the British lega- body affected. The number of cases of and in some cases supplied them with tion, is winning popularity by her fad, eye trouble has increased to an alarm- food. In the course of a short discusrequested to discontinue his visits at Much more my darling wrote, and for it is the most open love of every- ing extent, and in most cases it was a sion Dr. Tieman said there were five every line infused fresh strength and thing American. She is not a bit offish secondary complaint. The disease tries. The ants took advantage of the Grieved at this insult, Marion sought courage into my veins. At the end of or English, and every one is taken by seems to be a sympathetic one as the hollowness of the plants, but he did her father, but the attempt to draw the year I visited them at their tem- her unmasked desire to know the peo- eye is affected as are other parts of the not think the latter derived any benefit

Trofessor Polansky and Dr. Schin delka of the Vienna Veterinary School

FOOD FUR THOUGHT

l'atlent waiting is often the highest way of doing God's will.

Money makes the man; but the man has to make the money first.

Most persons can be led; few can b€ driven without spoiling them. If every man could have his way,

the world would be almost depopulat-A man who acquires a habit of giv-

ing way to depression is on the road to The means of producing mental action are determined by the nature of

he mind. Levity is often less foolish, and gravity less wise, than each of them appears.

Those who live on vanity must, not unreasonably, expect to die of mortifi-

cation There is no man easier to deceive than he who hopes, for he aids in his own deceit.

If men wish to be held in esteem they must associate with those Who are estimable.

There is no surer way of having everybody's help than by trying to help everybody. A good daughter is the momning sun-

light and the evening star of her The wisest man may be wiser to-day

than he was yesterday, and to-morrow Time will tell, but the ordinary man with an important secret won't give

time a chance. A man who puts off his enjoyment too long will find it mislaid by the time he gets to it.

The chief difference between success object. A chemist may tell his most and failure lies in the single element of

> He who loves to read and knows how to reflect has laid by a perpetual

The feeble tremble before opinion, the foolish defy it, the wise judge it, the skilful direct it. If all hearts were frank, just and

honest, the major part of the virtues would be useless to us. There will always remain something to be said of a woman, as long as there

is one on the earth. Humanity must resemble the succulent and seductive strawberry. The green ones generally go to the bottom. One may be better than his reputation or his conduct, but never better than his principles.

There is such a thing as being so aggressively good that you make beneficiaries uncomfortable.

The greatest man living may stand in need of the meanest, as much as the meanest does of him. The poor man's purse may be emp'y.

but he has as much gold in the sunset and silver in the moon as anybody. A cause or principle is not necessarily wrong because some of those who advocate it are injudicious of inconsis

ent. One of the greatest of all mental pleasures is to have our thoughts often divined, even entered into with sympa-

Use not evasions when called upon to do a good thing, nor excuses when you are reproached for doing a bad

To be human is to be fickle. The people who curse a good man loudest are the first to bear flowers to his

When a person inspires you with antipathy you become unfaithful to your convictions, solely in order to contradict him. It is by his personal conduct that

any man of ordinary power will do the greatest amount of good that is in him to do. In order to measure the mind we measure the skull. This is like eating

the skin of the grape to find the bo-Life's real heroes and heroines are those who bear their own burdens bravely and give a helping hand to

those around them. Popularity is like the brightness of a falling star, the fleeting splendor of a rainbow, the bubble that is sure to burst by its very inflation. Sometimes when a man seems to be

ready to come out, like a log from a sawmill, worth double price. Tears hinder sorrow from becoming despair and madness; and laughter is one of the very privilege, of reason, being confined to the human species.

having the worst luck he is only getting

Some men are so unselfsh as to be willing to live in luxury, and abstain from work for fear they will rob the poor laborer of his means to obtain a living.

The progressive man depends upon what he learns, but the man who is proud of what was taught to him will exhibit his ability to follow the usual

custom. It is easy enough to bring up a child The literature on the subject could be in the right way. All you have to do traced as far back as 1750, and Captain is to watch the way in which most

Men and women, to lead worthy lives, must have a just respect for themselves and a just respect for others. Whatever tends to realize and

Cold and reserved natures should remember that though not unitequently flowers may be found buried beneath the snow, it is chilly work to dig for them, and few care to take the trouble.

He who never changes any of his plnions never corrects any or his mistakes; and he who is never wise enough to find out and mistakes in himself will not be charisable enough to excuse what he reckons mistakes in others.

One cannot begin too early in life to discipline himself to habits of the most exacting punctuality in keeping every engagement and the per ormance of