

POINTS OF VIEW.

"Oh, give me time," she, trembling, said, "A little time to think it over." He smiled and kissed her drooping head, and yielded like a tender lover.

SIAM AND ITS PEOPLE.

Public interest in Siam and curiosity as to the resources, degree of civilization, habits and customs of the Siamese have been quickened by the Franco-Chinese imbroglio, and accordingly the following article will be found interesting and instructive.

They are women trained to the use of arms and employed to guard the king's wives, and whenever a lady of the harem appears in public, she is attended by a retinue of these female soldiers, who answer with their lives for her seclusion.

pyramid of jewels. He puts on upon state occasions a coat, vest and brocaded surong, which are loaded down with jewels, and he often wears upon state occasions precious stones which are worth \$1,000,000.

is found everywhere, and it and the rattan form a large portion of the houses of the population; teak, rosewood, ebony and other valuable timber trees are found in profusion, and must in time become sources of great wealth to the power falling heir to the kingdom.

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got on a new suit. Can I have one, too? "Not now, Willie." "Then I guess I'll go out and pick a fight with him."—[Life.]