

how it reveals its secrets to men? Go up on yonder mountain ridge in early June dawn when the great orb of day shoots his first beams across the neighboring ridges and reveals to you a panorama of natural scenery so grand, so beautiful, so entrancing that you are transported to the land of the gods pictured in the enchanting rhythm of poets. Would you know *more* of that wonderful sun, whose subtle and mysterious power can, as the magic wand of a mighty conjurer, call all Nature into activity or soothe all Nature into repose—whose rays can change, like the touch of fairy fingers, the tiny waterdrop to the brilliant, sparkling diamond, and the rippling mountain streamlet into the ribbon of silver—would you know *more* of that glorious sun? Ask astronomy!

Note the changing contour of the surface! See the mountain with its ponderous boulders and rocks; its steep cliffs and rugged ledges; its shady glens and secluded dells; its sparkling springs and rippling fountains; its babbling brooklets, changed by a shower into roaring torrents! See the valley, with its varied soil and undulating surface; with its creeks and watersheds—would you know more of all this? Yes! Would you read, from pages of rock printed in letters of fossil, the whole history of earth? Go to geology!

Would you know the composition—the constituent elements of the rocks, the soil, the air, the water—everything you see about you? Consult chemistry.

Would you learn of the beautiful insects, whose gaudy wings flash in the sunlight like dewdrops; of the butterfly, whose flitting life is naught but pleasure; of pretty birds, whose lovely caroling and warbling form the symphonious overture to the opening day by Nature's sweet-toned orchestra—would you learn more of these? Ask entomology and ornithology!

Would you know why *you*, as a human being, gifted with intelligence and reason, can comprehend and appreciate the many, *many* things you see about you? Why you see, hear, feel, and have senses from which you derive pleasures of a keener kind than is possible to the lower animals—would you know all this? Ask psychology.

Anything, *everything* you wish to know, ask of the chapter to which it belongs, in this wonderful book. I say *ask!* But, will it always answer? Can we find the answer to everything we wish to learn? No! No, we cannot find the answer to everything we