

Poetry.

THE VILLAGE BEAUTY.

There she stands just within the trellised porch, Her fair face turned to meet the Summer air, Half smiling, and half leaning languidly...

Miscellaneous.

Thoughts for the Thoughtful.

Mr. Arnold says: "There is no surer proof of a narrow and ill-instructed mind than to think and uphold that which a man thinks is good to say..."

THE STORY OF A WOMAN'S LIFE.

"Good morning, Mrs. Moreton. I just ran in a moment to inquire of a bit of news I have heard to be true. It is too incredible for me to believe, for with the order of my life, I cannot think you would carry your peculiar notions to such a length as this..."

Very stones under one's feet.

I envied even the servant girls; but, alas! the mysteries of the cuisine were as Greek to me, and I dared not apply for so many a time to my poor husband...

Finding Each Other Out.

One of the experiences of married life, through which conjugal partners have to pass, is thus referred to by Rev. Robert Collyer: "Some married folks find each other out..."

A Discouraged Boy.

This boy was a good boy. He would have been to-day but for the deceit of this false-hearted world. He wasn't one of a set of triplets, and therefore didn't have honours showered down upon him in his early years...

Youths' Column.

GEORGE'S REASON.—The pupils of Mr. Jones' school had all, save one, entered the school and taken their seats, when George Hardy, the tardy scholar for once, came hurrying in...

Varieties.

The bump of destructiveness—a railway collision. First law of gravity—never laugh at your own jokes. Breach of good manners—for principle to stare you in the face...

Intellectual Culture.

A cultivated mind may be said to have infinite stores of intellectual gratification. Everything may be made interesting to it, becoming a subject of thought or inquiry.

Brick That Have Endured For Twenty Centuries.

A correspondent writing from Persia says: "Coming from Bagdad, which, in a direct line, is forty-four miles distant, three immense mounds appear in succession..."

Royal Musical Dinners and Photographs.

Did I never strike you (it is my ambition to do) with the philosophy run through this dull drossy ore of my discourse? The royal personages must needs have music at their feasts...

Food.

Three classes of food materials are required as a requisite proportion to satisfy the conditions of nutrition. These are—1st, the blood formers...

Old Letters.

Lord Cockburn writes in his memoirs: "I have all my life had a bad habit of writing letters, and of keeping them arranged and docketed; but seeing the future use that is often made of papers, especially by friendly biographers..."

The Sharp Man.

The sharp man is mistaken for the wise one, but is just as different from a wise one as he is from an honest one. He trusts to his cunning for success, and this is the next thing to being a rogue.

Eggs vs. Meat.

Would it not be wise to substitute more eggs for meat in our daily diet? About one-third of an egg is solid nutriment. This is more than can be said of meat.

Way should a spider be a good correspondent.

Because he drops a line every post. The spider is a good correspondent because he drops a line every post.