

money to procure the necessary remedies or a surgeon's attendance, the distemper was soon communicated to the children; and, in a fit of agony and despair, he had sent the advertisement to the newspapers, as the last resource which a gentleman's honor could submit to.

It was a case of unfeigned distress; and the princess thought that in his present situation, she could not yield him sincerer comfort than by informing him into what safe and powerful hands he had fallen. She presented him with ten guineas, and told him, that the Princess of Wales, to whom he had now related the story, felt for him, and would procure justice to him, his wife, and his infants. The astonished ensign had almost dropped on one knee to make his acknowledgements for her condescension and goodness; but, rushing to the door, she hurried down stairs, and returned into her chair, leaving the ensign wrapped in wonder and gratitude.

The princess immediately applied to the Duke of Cumberland, in the officer's behalf; and after a week had passed, she sent for him to receive a lieutenant's commission, in a regiment that was about to embark for Flanders. Thus provided, she enjoined him to prepare for the expedition, and to leave his little family under her protection till his return. He willingly resigned it to so beneficent a guardian, and set off for his regiment. While abroad, he behaved with so much prudence & bravery that, after the peace of Aix-la-Chapelle, he returned to England with a major's commission. He afterwards lost his life in the battle of Minden.

ANECDOTE OF HOWARD.

She bath a tear for pity, and a hand
Open as day for melting charity.'

'Who is it,' says Fitzosborne, 'that is placed out of the reach of the highest of all gratifications, those of the generous affections, and that cannot provide for his own happiness by contributing something to the welfare of others? To complain that life has no joys, while there is a creature we can relieve by our bounty, assist, by our counsels, or even by our presence, is to lament the loss of that which we possess, and is just as rational as to die first with the cup in our hands.'

The philanthropic Howard was blessed with a wife of a singularly congenial disposition. On settling his accounts one year, he found

a balance in his favour, and proposed to his wife to spend the money on a visit to the metropolis, for her gratification. 'What a beautiful cottage for a poor family might be built with the money!' was the benevolent reply. The hint was immediately taken, and the worthy couple enjoyed that greatest of all gratifications, the satisfaction of having done good for its own sake.'

COLD WINTERS. - In the year 400 the Euxine was covered with ice for 20 days. In 859 the Adriatic was covered with ice, but for what length of time does not appear. In 929, the Thames was frozen over for 13 weeks—the same river was also frozen over in 1263, 1269 and 1607-8. Several times since the same has happened. The winter of 1693 was so severe in Europe, that the trees were split by the frost: Loaded stages passed on the ice from Boston to Nantasket in the winter of 1635 7, and have done the same one or two winters since. On the 12th December, 1708, the frost in New England was so intense, that trees were killed. A fall of snow took place in February, 1717, so deep that people in Boston had to get out of their chamber windows. Eleven hundred sheep perished on Fisher's Island from being buried 16 feet in the snow: two were found alive after a lapse of 23 days, they having supported themselves by chewing the wool of others. In 1730, the Chesapeake was covered with ice as far as the mouth of the Potomac. In the same year, troops of horse and heavy cannon crossed on the ice from New York to Staten Island & Long Island Sound was nearly covered with ice: Almost all the birds of the forest perished.

POWER OF THE HUMAN EYE.

The overmastering effect of the human eye upon the lion, has been frequently mentioned though much doubted by travellers. But from my own enquiries among lion hunters I am perfectly satisfied of the fact: and an anecdote that was related to me a few days ago, by Major Markintosh, proves that this fascinating effect is not confined to the lion. An officer in India, having once rambled into a jungle adjoining the British encampment, suddenly encountered a large tiger: the meeting appeared equally unexpected on both sides, and both parties made a dead halt ear