that there was no cure for bis malad, and at the
same time $I$ was peef fectls a ware that the want of proper food and the severe. pressure of mental ansiety, adued to the fast seal to his fate.
vious dap, had set the lat physician, and his remarks. Whe
stowed me I had judged righty. Then drawing near my father, be in gentle
terms adinonished tum that ther terms adinonished bum that there was no hope of
recorery, and drected his news to that better engaged, the priest stood wilb lus fice to the
window, perusing the letter from the Eari of saw hina wipe alvay the tears from his eges, as tre read of the bandsome pension which was awarded, alas.
father. He returned it to me with a deep sigh, and
then approachng the bed, he told my father he should call an bour hence, and bring bom the holy
vraticum, adding, 'You will prepare, mey dear friend,
strength strength.'
Mg father then beckoned the phssician to his side. Poor father, it was of us,
that he the thought, and I heard bim say,-
'You see, sir, that I am dring nom, for want 'You ste, sir, that I am dying nor, for want
of a lutlee of that reliet which bas come all too late for ine; but my daughter Minnse, will you
ask, sir, if a portion of the noble pension awarded to me may be granted to ber?? Then, with all a parent's innocent pride in the abilities of his
child, he added, 'Minnie's name is well known, sir; - oh, yes, it is well known, and on the bonor
of a gentleman I do assure you she lacks not literary talent. Promise me, then, that you will
lay her case before the Earl of -that-letter is answered. 'I will, my good frend,' repied the physician,
rest assured I will look to your daughter's toterest. Now take comfort,' he continued ; 'I
will send you a composing draught, which will relieve, at least in some measure, the pain $y$ mg good friend who will soon return.
As the physunian spoke thus, he wi learing the room, I paced to and fro the empty parior, too fuli of grief too poignant to be indulg.
ed in the chamber of death, to dare enter therein ed in the chamber




