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Tom met with several other strange adventures. Thus in the Island of Laputa he met with an example of the kind of examination which deserves condemnation. When he came to Oldwivesfabledom he met the Pow-wow man who thought that no one could be made good unless he was first frightened into fits.

At last Tom reached his old master Grimes, stuck in a chimney, and unable to get out. By the influence of Tom's kindness and the memory of his mother, and by the interposition of Mrs. Beuonebyasyoudid Grimes is brought to a better mind and started in a new life. And now Tom is permitted to return to S. Brandan's Isle. There he finds Ellie seated upon a rock. But now she and Tom are no longer children ; they are

grown up. While they are gazing at each other, the Fairy addresses them, and they are puzzled by her appearance. She seems at once Mrs. Bedonebyasyoudid, Mrs. Doasyouwouldbedoneby, Mother Carey and the Irishwoman. The meaning of this is not difficult. In this dim twilight of Time, when we are as children tossed to and fro, and carried about by every kind of doctrine, and see only as through a glass darkly. Nature and Grace and Law and Conscience and Providence seem to us diverse and often conflicting and contradictory ; but when we are grown to the full stature of men, and see as we are seen, then shall we know that in these principles there is no contradiction, but that all form a perfect harmony and unity in God.

EDUCATION IN JAMAICA.

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JAMAICA is the largest and most valuable of the British West Indies. It is next in size to Cuba and Hayti and has a population of 650,000. It was taken from Spain in 1665. Sugar, coffee, molasses, rum, fruits and spices are the chief exports. Kingston (47,000), the capital, is situated on a fine harbor and has a large shipping trade. Spanish Town, the former capital, is ten miles distant from Kingston. Jamaica is one-third the size of Nova Scotia.

The present educational system of Jamaica may be said to date from 1892. Prior to that date assistance was given out of the public funds to schools established throughout the island by private persons for the purpose of giving elementary education, in accordance with rules laid

down under the authority of the Governor. By the Educational Act of 1892 the force of law was given to those rules and provision made for the future development and improvement of the then existing system of giving funds to Elementary Schools.

The head of the Education Department of the Government is the Superintending Inspector of Schools. He is assisted by seven Inspectors. There is a Board of Education of thirteen members, who are appointed annually by the Governor. Not more than three members of the Board can be persons holding any office or emolument under the Government. The Superintending Inspector of Schools is, *ex-officio*, a member and Chairman of the Board. The Board meets quarterly at King-