know."

"Pardon my careless remark," I said. "I am so seldom ill that I may be guilty of a brute's want of sympathy for suffering in others."

"Oh. I am sure that cannot be true of you," she responded, "for I often think that well-bred men are even more tender-hearted than women."

"I stand rebuked and humbled," answered this woman's guest, sincerely.

especially with the poor, sir, you must for it? We were all anxious to know that "

> "You had a doctor, of course; what did he say?"

"He said I was suffering from an overflow of blood on the liver. Possibly so, but he was not able to relieve me; and in April, 1886, I got a letter of recommendation from Mr. Dunbar McMaster, of the Gilford Mills, just below here in the valley, who was very kind and friendly to us; and they took me to the infirm-"Don't think of it," she said, ary at Armagh. There I staved for

> seven weeks, and I am sure they did all they could to help But unfortume. nately they did not succeed. For while I was in the infirm ary I vomited up all my food, as I had done before, and

quite frequently

the blood would come with it."

"Caused by the rupture of some of the small veins in straining, probably," suggested the visitor.

"Maybe so; I cannot tell," said Miss Ferris. "I know they used to introduce a silver tube to draw, as I understood it, the foul matter from my stomach. Then they wanted me to submit to an operation; but my mother, here, wouldn't consent. She was atraid it might kill me. But this But what was it that was in January, 1887, the second time ailed me? And what could be done I was at the infirmary. For you will



THE CARRIAGE (PALANQUIN) OF CHINA.

"Well, as I was going to tell you, my eyes and skin turned yellow, and I had a dull, heavy pain at my right side. Pretty soon I could eat nothing, no food tempted me; and when I ate because I thought I must, my stomach rejected every morsel of it.

"And oh, how weak I got! My strength went away day by day, as the sunshine dies off the hills over there at night, sir. When I say I could barely walk, I tell you only the truth.

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