

interpreting. And big, brave, manly fellow that he is, he actually cried over the trouble in speaking of it to me later. 'She is the best mother in the world, and I wouldn't exchange her for any other fellow's mother, no matter how great a lady, but Peyton, I would give all the money I have in prospect, if she were educated. Nobody knows what agony her illiteracy causes me at times.

"I tried to comfort him by telling how good and true and noble she was despite the little slips she made in English—but I could not help feeling how trying it all was, and it made me all the more proud and appreciative of the dear little mother who had always been my leader and my model. I never realized before what a blessing it is to have parents."

"That you are not ashamed of," interrupted his mother, when he hesitated a moment.

"I do not mean that, exactly," Peyton hastened to explain. "But it is worth worth a fortune to have parents that you are proud of."

"Even if they are poor, like the ones you chance to possess," laughed his mother.

"I am satisfied with mine," returned Peyton. "If I had been permitted to choose them myself, I could not have been suited better."

"Thank you!" said his mother, sweetly, and looking upon the boy, growing into his strong, young manhood, safeguarded by his love of mother and the sacred ties of home, she felt repaid a thousandfold, for all the hard lessons she had mastered, for all the labour of love that had beautified her busy, common-place life and enabled her to keep her hold upon her children by not allowing them to outgrow her.—Christian Observer.

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