

Wit and Wisdom

let hope build a house for you, or to live with you in it ; but he might come to visit you sometimes, to cheer you up a little, by talking pleasant, and getting you to look on the bright side of things. Hope is a pleasant acquaintance, but an unsafe friend. He'll do on a pinch for a travellin' companion, but he is not the man for your banker.



Smiles can be put on and off like a wig ; sweet expressions come and go like shades and lights in natur' ; the hands will squeeze like a fox-trap ; the body bends most graceful ; the ear will be most attentive ; the manner will flatter so you're enchanted ; and the tongue will lie like the devil—but *the eye, never.*



* Aim high in life, and if you don't hit the bull's eye, you'll hit the fust circles.