

these pages, that happen to mankind, are not sufficient to compensate nature cruelly outraged, then pestilence, plagues and epidemics will carry on the doleful work until there is perfect restitution and satisfaction made to nature as a whole for our brutal deeds committed against her laws. The great God of Nature says these are the penalties for every violation of My natural, reasonable and just laws. "Heaven and earth could as easily pass away, as for us to escape these punishments."

100. I do not say that there are not other causes of premature death, and of our hospitals, asylums, jails and prisons being filled, but of the many, those which I have given are the principal ; but would it not be reasonable to say and to think that the same law that caused children to be born blind, deaf and deformed, should also apply to the lower animals ; but singular to say, we seldom ever hear of the young of animals being born blind, deaf or deformed, it might possibly happen through our maltreatment of them the only reasonable conclusion to arrive at why they escape these dangers, is because they consume the food that nature designed for them.

101. Let us then remember that for every violation of the law of kindness towards the lower animals, on our parts, we shall have in a thousand ways to pay the penalty ; and that every act of kindness, pity and mercy shown by us towards them, will be rewarded to us a thousand-fold.

102. In conclusion, I have just this to say, that being only one of the laity, it may be thought presumptuous for me to