

## A MODERN FAIRY STORY.

**Conven'iencies**, things to make life comfortable.

**Cent'ury**, a hundred years.

**Cut'lery**, things to cut with, such as knives and scissors.

**Min'erals**, substances found in the earth.

**Locomo'tive**, moving from place to place.

**Correspond'ence**, letters.

**Canals'**, water-roads, made, not natural.

**Tel'egraph**, a message sent from a distance by electricity.

**Ed'itor**, a person who prepares writing for the printer.

**Photog'raphy**, the art of making pictures by means of light.

**A'gency**, action.

**Mir'acle**, a wonder.

**Viv'idly**, very clearly.

**Renowned'**, famous.

**Prov'idence**, care.

**Civ'ilized**, educated, not barbarous.



1. I live in a house that has conveniences and comforts which even a king could not command some centuries ago. There are ships crossing the seas in every direction, some driven by steam, and some by the wind, to bring what is useful to me from all parts of the earth. 2. In China and in India, men are gathering the tea-leaf for me; in the Southern States of America and in India they are planting cotton for me; in the West India Islands and in Brazil, they are preparing my sugar and my coffee; in Italy and in France, they are feeding silk-worms for me; at home, they are shearing sheep to make me clothing; powerful steam-engines