

than any of the rules, statutes, and penal inflictions, by which a slavish conformity is commonly enforced. Conscious of the benefits which he himself had derived from his domestic education, Pestalozzi was anxious to give to his asylum the character of a family rather than of a public school. He frequently entertained his children with descriptions of a happy and well-regulated household, such as that of Gertrude; and endeavoured to bring them to a lively sense of the blessings which man may bestow upon man, by the mutual exercise of Christian love. But on this, as on all other subjects, he taught more by life and practice than by words. Thus when Altroz, the capital of the canton of Schwitz, was laid in ashes, having informed them of the event, he suggested the idea of receiving some of the sufferers into the asylum. "Hundreds of children," he said, "are at this moment wandering about as you were last year, without a home, perhaps without food or clothing. What should you say of applying to the government, which has so kindly provided for you, for leave to receive about twenty of those poor children among us?" "Oh, yes!" exclaimed his pupils, "dear yes; Mr. Pestalozzi, do apply, if you please!"—"Nay, my children," replied he, "consider it well first. You must know I cannot get as much money as I please for our house-keeping; and if you invite twenty children among us, I shall very likely not get any more for that. You must, therefore, make up your minds, to share your bedding and clothing with them, and to eat less, and work more than before; and if you think you cannot do that readily and cheerfully, you had better not invite them." "Never mind," said the children, though we should be less well off ourselves, we should be so very glad to have these poor children among us."

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Or a receipt adapted to the emergency of the times,

(Translated from the French for the Museum.)

There is courage and courage, Montaigne used to say. One man may be brave at the axe and a coward at the sword. Another would fight with pistols and refuse to do so with poniards.