The greyhound runs by the eyesight only, and this we observe as a fact. The carrie pigeon flies his 250 miles homeward by eyesight—namely, from point to point of objects which he has marked; but this is only our conjecture. The fierce dragon-fly, with 12, 900 lenses in his eye, darts from angle to angle with the rapidity of a flashing sword, and as rapidity darts back, not turning in the air, but with a clash reversing the action of his wings, and instantaneously calculating the distance of the objects, or he would dash himself to pieces. But in what conformation of the eye does this consist? No one can answer. A cloud of ten thousand gnats dance up and down in the sun, the minutest interval between them, yet no one knocks another headlong upon the grass or breaks a leg or wing, long and delicate as they are. Suddenly, amid your admiration of this matchless dance, a peculiarly high-shouldered, vicious gnat, with long, pendant nose, darts out of the rising and falling cloud, and settling on your cheek, inserts a poisonous sting. What possessed the little wretch to do this? Did he smell your blood in the mazy dance? No one knows.

A carriage comes suddenly upon a flock of geese on a narrow road, and drives straight through the middle of them. A goose was never yet fairly run over, nor a duck. They are under the very wheels and hoofs, and yet somehow they contrive to flag and waddle safely off. Habitually stupid, heavy and Indolent they are nevertheless equal to the

Why does the lonely woodpecker, when he descends his tree and goes to drink, stop several times on his way, listen and look round before he takes his draught? No one knows. How is it that the species of ant, which is taken in battle by other ants to be made slaves, should be black, or negro ants? No one knows.

The power of judging of actual danger, and the free and easy boldness which result from it, are by no means uncommon. Many birds seem to have a most correct notion of a gun's range, and while scrupulously careful to keep beyond it, confine their care to this caution, though the most obvious resource would be to fly right away out of sight and hearing, which they do not choose to do. And they sometimes appear to make even an ostentatious use of their power, fairly putting their wit and eleverness in antagonism to that of man for the benefit of their fellows. We lately read an account, by a naturalist in Brazil, of an expedition he made to one of the islands of the Amazon to shoot spoon-bills, idises and other of the magnificent grallatorial birds which were most abundant there. His design was completely baffled, however, by a wretched little sand-piper that preceded him, continually uttering his tell tale cry, which at once aroused all the birds within hearing. Throughout the day did this in-dividual bird continue his self-imposed duty of sentinal to othe s, effectually preventing the approach of the fowler to the game, and yet managing to keep out of the range of his

AN INDIGNANT HEAD AND NECK.

[San Francisco Cal., London Letter.] A most extraordinary sensation has occur-red in the American colony of London this week. A. young lady from Philadelphia was walking down Regent-st, with the mother and sister of a young gentleman of rank, when the attention of all three was attracted by some photographs of notable people and others exposed in a window, and they drew up to look at them. Fancy the astontshment of the American girl on seeing her own photo graph exposed there among the others, but in the most amazing shape it is possible to conceive. Her head, her neck, it was impossible to mistake; and yet, there she was, almost as undraped as the Venus de Medici—in fact, got up in tights and fleshings, and labelled "Ma-"What can this mean?" she cried to zappa!" "What can this mean?" she cried to the elderly lady, her lips blanched with shame and terror.

"I realy cannot tell you," replied Lady Disdain, with steel-hard eye and icy voice. You perhaps can tell us whether on any occasion in America you were in the habit of appearing in this dress?"

"Oh, what do you mean to insinuate?" ut-

tered the poor girl. "Do you think I ever stood as Mazeppa? Oh, how cruel of you to speak so."
"It is certainly your portrait," added the

other lady.

By this time one or two bystanders had drawn up to the window, and noticing the likeness were nudging each other. "It is some coincidence-of course it can-

not be meant for me,"
"You had better take a cab and go home

and tell your father about it." said the lady, with her frigid manner. "My daughter and I have some calls to make."

In a half-dazed state of mind the young

Philadelphian drove home and told her father of what had happened. To get back to that shop, to have that photograph out of the window, to demand an explanation of the stationer, was not the work of many minutes for the enraged father. But though it was easy enough to demand an explanation, it was not so easy to get one. Suspicion fall upon the servants in the house, one of whom might easily have abstracted a photo out of a pack-age of them which had been kept hitherto in an unlocked drawer of the young lady's writing-desk. Of course it is a "cooked" picture; only the head and neck of the American lady's photograph, the rest that of some one else, and together the picture represents one of the most beautiful women it is possible to conceive. The matter has caused so much indignation and so much comment may check the mania now so prevalent among society beauties for having themselves photographed for sale at a shilling a Carte de visite.

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