

statesman). was a journeyman printer.

Fulton, (the first to establish steam navigation) was the son of Irish emigrants.

Gainsborough, (one of the most eminent English landscape painters) was entirely self-taught.

Halley, (philosopher and astronomer) was the son of a soap boiler.

Sir John Hawkins—was a carpenter.

Haydn, (the composer) was the son of a wheelwright.

Howard, (the philanthropist) was a grocer in his youth.

Dr. Samuel Johnson (the great writer,) was the son of a poor bookseller.

Johnson, (the poet) was a bricklayer.

Kean, (the greatest tragedian of modern times) was the son of a carpenter.

Peter King, (Lord Chancellor of England) was the son of a grocer.

Linneus, (the great botanist) was a shoemaker in his youth.

Martin Luther, (the great Reformer) was son of a miner.

Dr. Priestly, (the eminent philosopher and divine) was son of a clothier.

Rollin (the historian) was son of a cutler.

Shakspeare, (the greatest English dramatic poet) was son of a butcher.

Sixtus fifth, (Pope of Rome) was a swine herd in his youth.

Stephenson, (the great civil engineer) was a common miner.

Taylor, (the poet,) was a common waterman.

Jeremy Taylor, (Doctor of Divinity) son of a barber.

Virgil, (the poet) son of a baker.

Cardinal Wolsey—son of a butcher.

Wordsworth, (poet laureat of England) was a barber's boy.

—*Family Friend.*

PROVERBS.

HERE is a valuable bunch of proverbs: Borrowed garments seldom fit well. Hasten often trips up its own heels. Men often blush to hear what they are not ashamed to do. What is not needed is dear at any price. He who buys too many superfluities may be obliged to sell his necessaries. A fool generally loses his estate before he finds his folly. A man that hoards riches and enjoys them not, is like an ass that carries gold and eats thistles. Towers are measured by their shadows, and great men by their calumniators. That man who knows the world will never be bashful, and that man who knows himself will never be impudent. Success rides on every hour—grapple it and you may win: but without a grapple it will never go with you. Work is the weapon of honor, and he who lacks the weapon will never triumph.

THE BIBLE.

SOME writers give the following analysis of the "Book of Books:"

It is a Book of Laws, to show the right and wrong.

It is a Book of Wisdom, that makes the foolish wise.

It is a Book of Truth, which detects all human errors.

It is a book of Life, that shows how to avoid everlasting death.

It is the most authentic and entertaining history ever published.

It contains the most remote antiquities, the most remarkable events and wonderful occurrences.

It is a complete code of Laws:

It is a perfect body of Divinity.

It is an unequalled Narrative.

It is a Book of Biography.

It is a Book of Travels.

It is a Book of Voyages.

It is the best covenant ever