

— “ All the gaudy efflorescence of an affluent and high Aristocracy is but tinsel and vanity when compared in respect of importance with the substantial wellbeing of those thousands and millions who overspread the ground floor of our social and political edifice. To elevate this lowest platform of Humanity—the platform of Humble Life—is the best object on this side of Death to which Patriot or Philanthropist can consecrate their labours.”

CHALMERS.

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“ There is not a Father by whose side in his daily or nightly walks these creatures (the forlorn desolate young) pass ; there is not a Mother among all the ranks of loving mothers in this land ; there is no One risen from the state of childhood, but shall be responsible in his or her degree for this enormity. There is not a country throughout the EARTH on which it would not bring a curse. There is no Religion upon earth that it would not deny ; there is no people upon earth it would not put to shame.”

DICKENS.