

and Dryden, and bears the following inscription left by Dean Stanley: "This bust was placed among the memorials of the poets of England by English admirers of an American poet." Though not an Englishman, the author of "Evangeline" and "Hiawatha" has not received more than due honor, and this event must have the tendency not only to encourage the advances of literature, but also to increase the friendship between Great Britain and the United States.

HICCOUGH AND SNEEZING.—Hiccough is caused by a convulsive contraction of the diaphragm when its nerves become over-irritated. The inspiration is violent, but the ensuing expiration takes place quietly, and during an attack, one inspiration in about four or five is thus affected. As a rule, when persons are afflicted in this way, they are more anxious to get rid of their trouble than to examine into its nature, so perhaps a prescription or two would not be out of place here. One remedy is to allow an exceedingly protracted, and, at the end, forcible expiration to follow a long and quiet inspiration. Another is to direct the mind quite attentively to some delicate manipulation or experiment, as, for instance, trying how near you can hold your fingers to one another without touching. This will cause an involuntary tendency to breathe quite slowly and steadily, and have the same result as the former plan mentioned, namely, a speedy and effectual cure. Sneezing, on the contrary, is due to a violent spasm during expiration. It generally occurs as a result of the irritation of the mucous membrane lining the air passages of the nose. Its audible and visible signs need no description, though there are so many marked differences between its numerous forms, as they vary from the "cat-sneeze" of the fashionable belle to the loud "Horatio" of the uncultivated rustic. Sneezing is not an observer of times and seasons, and often seems to choose the most inopportune moment for exhibiting its power. In such a case the impending catastrophe may be averted by pressing firmly upon some branch of the fifth nerve, say in the upper lip close to the nose.