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of one sense with that of another, a curious psychological phenomenon, perhaps, but of too frequent occurrence with us to excite even passing amusement. Others make : 1011 over our using the verb, to see, forgetting that in the common speech of men that verb is not so restricted as to prevent a blind person's employing it, without any such glaring contradiction as that so facetiously discovered. Of course, these are the mistakes of the vulgar, and that is a comfort. It is one of the blessings of refinement, this feeling of being able to look down on the vulgar, this considering where it comes from ; still, the mules kick hard, and there are so many of the in this world. Where is the line to be drawn between the refined and the vulgar ? Generally speaking, the vulgar includes all those who do or say disagreeable things to us. This definition is so pre-eminently satisfactory in general that it would be folly in us to attempt another, even if it should lead us to class as vulgar some people who ordinarily