

of Ma-he-co, Pah-ree, Kec-ho-tay, instead of Mexico, Paris, and Quixote, though the former are the real Spanish and French pronunciation: but generally names should be pronounced as nearly as possible as they are pronounced by the educated people of the countries to which they respectively belong. Such pronunciation will almost always be found more euphonic than one based upon the English analogies, if such can be found. Bacchiglione (bak-kei-yo-nay) is an example.—How will you find English analogies for "Zschokke?" For "Schiller," the name of Germany's greatest poet, will you take the analogy of *schemer*, or of *schism*? Both are wrong; the name is Shiller. "Rothschild" is Rote-schild (red shield). Our western hunters tell of the river Healy; on the maps we find Gila. If you talk to a German of the poet Goethe, you will fail to make him understand of whom you speak unless you are acquainted with German pronunciation, or call him something between *Gaty* and *Gatty*.—Even one familiar with foreign languages may be misled by an exceptional case, as Guines, (in Chuba) which varies from the rule for *gui* in Spanish.

LIPPINCOTT'S PRONOUNCING GAZETTEER, or Geographical Dictionary of the World (briefly noticed in our last number), as a most valuable book of reference. It contains a notice of nearly one hundred thousand places, giving the pronunciation of the names, and the most recent and authentic information concerning them.
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THOUGHTS FOR THE THOUGHTFUL.

WORLDLY individuals, in general, but employ a moderate proportion of their income, in aid of practical benevolence, what a mighty change would, ere long be apparent!

A most favorite scheme of the great enemy to counteract *good*, is to endeavor to flood the soul with *wandering thoughts*.

The ungodly rich man hath more than reason can desire, and still he is dissatisfied; the righteous poor man hath but little, yet is contented, and hence *truly* happy.

True flowers of loveliness; *true* gems of beauty, are found only in the deathless land.

All just laws; all true civilization; all the multitudinous blessings we enjoy, are essen-

tially founded upon, or connected with, the Holy Bible.

Very often, what we look upon as wormwood and gall, proves afterward, delicious honey to the palate

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PLUCK if you can a beam from the body of the sun, the beam will then have no light; break a branch from the tree, it will bear no fruit; sever a river from the spring, it will be soon dried up; cut a member from the body, it soon dieth; cast a pumice stone into the water, and though it be never so big, while it remains entire, and the parts whole together, it will swim above the water; but break it once into pieces, and then every piece of it will sink to the very bottom.—Thus both church and commonwealth, which are supported, and as it were held up by religion and unity, peace and concord, are ruined and destroyed by discord, dissention, schism, and faction. How happy are such a people, such a nation, such a church, such a state, as live together in peace and unity!

Did you ever watch a sculptor slowly fashioning a human countenance. It is not moulded at once. It is painfully and labouriously wrought. A thousand blows rough-cast it.—Ten thousand chisel-points polish and perfect it,—put in the fine touches, and bring out the features and expression. It is a work of time; but at last the full likeness comes out and stands fixed forever and unchanging in the solid marble. Well, so does a man, under the leadings of the Spirit, or the teachings of Satan carve out his own moral likeness. Every day he adds something to the work. A thousand acts of thought and will and deed shape the features and expression of the soul: habits of love, purity and truth—habits of falsehood, malice and uncleanness—silently mould and fashion it, till at length it wears the likeness of God, or the image and superscription of the Evil One.

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