

when the individual Culture is united with universal Nature :
"My Father worketh hitherto and I work." Our minds are enlarged in the ratio in which our conception of our environment is enlarged. What we get from Nature depends upon our attitude towards her. The character of our interpretations will be in proportion to our power of interpretation. The amount we take from Nature cannot exceed the amount we take to her.

"Is Nature all so beautiful ?

The human feeling makes it so.

The sounds we love, the flowers we cull

Are hallowed with man's joy or woe."

A child who has been trained to care for plants and animals will develop a generous sympathy for all living things. Harmony and good-fellowship will characterize his intercourse with his playmates while he is young and with his fellow-citizens when he becomes older. A student of Nature becomes one of Nature's gentlemen.

"The slowly maturing fruit of a silent feeding of the soul upon nourishing ideas" will be evidenced in the character of him who has an intelligent appreciation of the true, the beautiful, and the good in Nature. Who better than he can feel sentiments such as that expressed by Adelaide Proctor ?

"My God, I thank Thee, who hast made

The earth so bright,—

So full of splendor and of joy,

Beauty and light,—

So many glorious things are here

Noble and right."