

VARIETY.

THE MOTHER.—Heaven has imprinted on the mother's face something which claims kindred with the skies. The waking, watchful eye, which keeps its tireless vigils over her slumbering child—the tender look and the angelic smile, are objects which neither the pencil nor the chisel can reach, and which poetry fails in attempting to portray. Upon the eulogies of the most eloquent tongue we should find *Tekel* written. It is in the sympathies of the heart alone, where lives the lovely picture, and the eye may look abroad in vain for its counterpart in the works of art.

PETRARCH AND LAURA.—When Petrarch first saw Laura, she was young and beautiful—he loved her—and the feeling ended only with his life. In a few years afterwards, she lost all her beauty. When hardly thirty-five years of age, Petrarch said in one of his works, "If I had loved her person only, I had changed long since." His friends wondered how a beauty so withered should continue to inspire so ardent an attachment. "What matters it," answered Petrarch, "if the bow can no longer wound, since the wound once inflicted continues to bleed?"

RELIGION.—Let this idea dwell in our minds, that our duties to God and our duties to men are not distinct and independent duties, but are involved in each other; that devotion and virtue are not different things, but the same thing; either in different stages or in different stations, in different points of progress or circumstances of situation. What we call devotion, for the sake of distinction, during its initiatory and instrumental exercises, is devotion in its infancy; the virtue which, after a time, it produces, is devotion in its maturity: the contemplation of Deity is devotion at rest; the execution of his commands is devotion in action. Praise is religion in the temple or in the closet; industry, from a sense of duty, is religion in the shop or field; commercial integrity is religion in the mart; the communication of consolation is religion in the chamber of sickness; paternal instruction is religion at the hearth; justice is religion on the bench; patriotism is religion in the public councils.—*Francis.*

MUSIC.—Music, remarks old Burton, is the medicine of the mind; it rouses and revives the languishing soul; affects not only the ears, but the very arteries; awakens the dormant powers of life, raises the animal spirits, and renders the dull, severe, and sorrowful mind erect and nimble. According to Cassiodorus, it will not only expel the severest grief, soften the most violent hatred, mitigate the sharpest spleen, but extenuate fear and fury, appease cruelty, abate heaviness, and bring the mind to quietude and rest.

THREE GREAT PHYSICIANS.—The bedside of the celebrated Dumoulin, a few hours before he breathed his last, was surrounded by the most eminent physicians of Paris, who affected to think that his death would be an irreparable loss to the profession. "Gentlemen," said Dumoulin, "you are in error; I shall leave behind me three distinguished physicians." Being pressed to name them, as each expected to be included in the trio, he answered, "*Water, Exercise, and Diet.*"

ORIGIN OF DISEASE.—I tell you honestly what I think is the cause of the complicated maladies of the human frame; it is their gormandizing, and stuffing, and stimulating the digestive organs to excess; thereby producing nervous disorder and irritation. The state of their minds is another grand cause—the fidgeting and discontenting yourself about that which cannot be helped; passions of all kind—malignant passions and worldly cares pressing upon the mind—disturb the cerebral action, and do a great deal of harm.—*Abernethy.*

EDUCATION.—Education is a companion which no misfortune can depress, no climate destroy, no enemy alienate, no despotism enslave;—at home a friend, abroad an introduction; in solitude a solace, in society an ornament. It lessens vice; it guides virtue; it gives at once grace and government to the genius. Without it, what is man? A splendid slave! a reasoning savage! vacillating between the dignity of an intelligence derived from God, and the degradation of brutal passion.

LIFE.—Our state in this vale of tears is a mixed one. Life may be likened to the winds; ever shifting and never alike. Sometimes it appears as calm as summer evenings, and again, storms and tempests checker its even surface, darkening every prospect, and rendering scenes once bright and joyous, gloomy and bleak as the caverns of death. But even over all these scenes there is one star that seems to brighten. In the absence of all that renders life tolerable, in weal or woe, in joy or sorrow, it still beams out alone, unchanged, undimmed, as though it had found its way from the third heavens. It stands out in peerless beauty, dispensing its blessed light at all times and all seasons, flinging its hallowed though not brilliant rays across the path of the wilderness: and even in our sunniest moments, when it is forgotten,

and we steer wide of its heavenly direction, still it seems to twinkle near the blazing orb that burns when prosperity rules at the destiny of an hour. This is the star of Bethlehem.

THE QUEEN'S DINNER.
THE GENERAL BILL OF FARE.

220 Tureens of Turtle	10 Sirlions, Rumps and Ribs of Beef
200 Bottles of Sherbet	45 Dishes of shell-fish
50 Boiled Turkeys and Oysters	60 Dishes of Mashed and other Potatoes
50 Pullets	50 Salads
50 Dishes of Fowls	140 Jellies
40 Roast Capons	50 Blanc Manges
45 French Pies	40 Dishes of Tarts, creamed
60 Pigeon Pies	30 Dishes of Orange and other Tourtes
45 Hams, ornamented	60 Dishes of Mince Pies
40 Tongues	20 Chantilly Baskets
2 Barons of Beef	
4 Stewed Rumps of Beef	
REMOVES.	
60 Roast Turkeys	40 Dishes of patridges
10 Leverets	20 Dishes of Wild Fowl
80 Pheasants	20 Pea Fowls
DESSERT.	
100 Pineapples, from 2 lbs. to 3 lbs. each	60 Orsamental Savoy Cakes
200 Dishes of Hothouse Grapes	80 Dishes of Dried Fruit
200 Ice Creams	50 Dishes of Preserved Ginger
50 Dishes of Pippins	60 Dishes of Ront Cakes
80 Dishes of Pears	30 Dishes of Brandy Cherry
	20 Dishes of Olives

THE FOUR TABLES IMMEDIATELY BELOW THE ROYAL TABLE.

90 Tureens of Turtle	4 Stewed Rumps of Beef
20 Pullets	60 Jellies
20 Boiled Turkeys	20 Blanc Manges
16 Roast Capons	20 Dishes of Tarts, creamed
20 Dishes of Fowls	20 Ditto of Orange and other Tourtes
20 French Pies	24 Ditto Mince Pies
20 Pigeon Pies	20 Chantilly Baskets
20 Hams, ornamented	21 Dishes of Potatoes
16 Tongues	20 Salads
20 Dishes of Shell-fish	

REMOVES.

20 Roast Turkeys	16 Dishes of Patridges
32 Pheasants	8 Pea-Fowls
8 Dishes of Wild Fowl	4 Leverets

DESSERT.

36 Pines	28 Dishes of Ront Cakes
86 Ice Creams	32 Ditto of Dried Fruit
86 Dishes of Grapes	12 Dishes of Brandy Cherries
20 Ditto of Apples	24 Ditto of Preserved Ginger
32 Dishes of Pears	12 Ditto of Olives
28 Ornamented Savoy Cakes	

THE FOUR LONG TABLES IN THE BODY OF THE HALL.

72 Tureens of Turtle	16 Dishes of Shell-fish
16 Pullets	60 Jellies
16 Boiled Turkeys	20 Blanc Manges
16 Roast Capons	20 Dishes of Tarts, creamed
20 Dishes of Fowls	20 Orange and other Tourtes
20 Pigeon Pies	24 Dishes of Mince Pies
16 French Pies	16 Ditto of Potatoes
20 Hams	16 Ditto of Salads
16 Tongues	

REMOVES.

20 Roast Turkeys	4 Leverets
24 Pheasants	8 Dishes of Wild Fowls
8 Pea Fowls	16 Ditto of Patridges

DESSERT.

32 Pines	24 Ornamented Savoy Cakes
80 Ice Creams	28 Dishes of Dried Fruit
80 Dishes of Grapes	20 Ditto of Preserved Ginger
16 Dishes of Apples	12 Ditto Brandy Cherries
28 Ditto of Pears	4 Ditto of Olives

THE SEVEN SIDE TABLES.

24 Tureens of Turtle	6 Dishes of Shell-fish
8 Pullets	21 Jellies
7 Boiled Turkeys	5 Blanc Manges
6 Roast Capons	9 Tarts, creamed
8 Dishes of Fowls	5 Orange and other Tourtes
6 Pigeon Pies	9 Dishes of Mince Pies
6 French Pies	8 Ditto of Potatoes
6 Hams	8 Ditto of Salads

A SCRUPULOUS WITNESS.—An eminent lawyer was employed in an action against the proprietors of the Rockingham coach. On the part of the defendant the coachman was called.

His examination in chief being ended, he was subject to the leader's cross examination. Having held up the forefinger of his right hand at the witness, and warning him to give a "precise answer" to every question, and not to talk about what he might think the question meant, he proceeded thus: "You drive the Rockingham coach?" "No, sir; I do not." "Why, man, did you not tell my learned friend so this moment?" "No, sir; I did not." "Now, sir, I put it to you—I put it to you upon your oath—do you not drive the Rockingham coach?" "No, sir, I drive the horses!"

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