

unfailingly produced her own effect by not making her appearance till callers had sat for some time in the parlour. Naturally the conversation of both sisters was much of the past, and always, as Miss Leslie says, "they gloried, they triumphed, in the firm adherence of their father and his family to the royalty of England, and scorned the idea of even now being classed among the *citoyennes* of a republic, a republic, which, as they said, they had never acknowledged and never would; regarding themselves still as faithful subjects to His Majesty of Britain, whoever that majesty might be." To Miss Leslie these ancient ladies expressed much regret that they had not been able to prevail on their father after the Revolution to renounce America entirely and remove with his family to England, in which case, said Miss Mary, they should all have been introduced at court and the King and Queen would have spoken to them and