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NATURAL HISTORY.

QUADRUPED.

If we descend by a regular gradation from man to those animals which approach pearest to him in their nature and habits, we must assign the first rank to quadrupeds. Even those that least resemble us, when they erect themselves in an upright position, show striking marks of their affinity. In their internal structure, we shall perceive that they enjoy many advantages superior to those of the lower tribes of nature. are placed above the class of birds, by Dinging forth their young alive; and they tre placed above the class of insects, by having red blood circulating through their veins.

Even in the passions of man, we find in some species of quadrupeds no contemptible rivals. What can equal the attachment of the dog to his master? What cagerness does he show to obtain his caresses; what docility in obeying him; what emotion, what anxiety, what sorrow when he is absent; what joy when he returns; even over t'e grave dut contains his dust, this faithful friend has often been known to breathe his last. Where among us is friendship expressed with greater energy.

The head of quadrupeds is usually calculated for their manner of living. In some it is sharp, to enable the animal to turn up the earth in which its food lies; in some it is long, to give room for the olfactory nerves, as in dogs, which hunt by the scent; in others, it is short as in the lion, to give it the greater strength and fit it the better for combat. The teeth are also fitted for the nature of their food; some being sharp for tearing and dividing flesh, and some calculated for pounding or grinding vegetable substances. The feet of some quadrupeds are webbed, for swimming, while others are armed, with sharp claws for rending their prey. The stomach is also proportioned to the nature of their food.

BIOGRAPHY.

RAPHAEL SANZIO.

Raphael Sanzio, was born at Urbino in 1483. By studying the best masters in painting, he soon rose to eminence, and merited the appellation of divine Raphael. He also excelled as an architect, and was employed in the building of St. Peter's, Rome. came to an untimely grave in consequence of his addiction to licentious pleasures, dying at the age of thirty-seven yoars. By the general consent of mankind, he is acknowledged to have been the prince of painters. He excelled in beauty and grace.

MICHAEL ANGELO BUONAROTI.

Michael Angelo Buonaroti, was not only a great painter, but sculptor and archirect. He waseven an elegant poet. architecture he surpassed all the moderns, and he was the greatest designer that ever lived. The carly displays of his genus, taised so great a jealousy among his youthful rivals, that one of them struck him with such away-but why do you cry about that? you violence on the nose, that he carried the chose to destroy them," mark to the grave. The most celebrated "Oh, motiver, did I no of his paintings, is the last judgement. His architectural abilities are best displayed in the church of St. Peter's at Rome, the building of which he completed. His style is that of grandeur and sublimity, united with the utmost simplicity and beauty. John Reynolds declared, that the last word which be wished to atter from the academic chair, was the name of Michael Angelo. Description an coavey but a very imperfact

" Bunaroti's car, 'Midst cpic glories beaming from afar." only the sight can give one an idea of his peculiar excellence. He lived 90 years.

KATE BOND:

OR, THE GIRL WHO TRIED TO BE GOOD.

"Get away, you mangisty little witch!" exclaimed Kate Bond to her sister Ada, a little creeping lady, who sat on the carpet tearing a bit of something she had picked up.... Get away, I say, or I will push you over." "Why, Kate...how can you allow yourself

in speaking so harshly to your little sister?"

said Mrs. Bond.

" My sister!—my to, ment you mean, mother! Only look here-Ada has torn and quite spoiled this gold paper that I had cut to trim Frank's box, I declare I never will try to make anything again;"-and the passionate girl threw the box

she was making, and all the matterials from her to the further end of the room; among these things there happened to be a saucer of carmine that Kate valued very much-the saucer struck a chair and was broken into a dozen pieces; the box, too, which she had been making, being of card paper, newly pasted, burst asunder, and there was sad havoc among the choice treasures of Miss Kate Bond. She only grew more angry at the sight of the mis-chief she had wrought, and not well knowing what to say, she burst into a violent fit of weeping.

Mrs Bond did not, for several minutes, speak . to her danghter. She knew that it was not sorrow for what she had done that made the passionate girl weep: many persons will weep when they are angry: but Mrs. Bond was a very prudent woman, and she knew that it would dolittle good to talk to an angry girl. So sho waited till the storm of teurs subsided, and then

quite calmly said-

"Kate, will you tell me why you have so afflicted yourself?"

"Why, do n't you see, mother, that my things are all d. troyed, and I was making a Christmas present for Frank," sobbed the poor girl. "Yes, I see that you have thrown them all

"Oh, mother, did I not tell you that Ada had.

torn my gold paper."—
But I have gold paper, my child, plenty of it I would have given you some, and assisted, you to out the trimming for the box. Why did you not apply to me in your trouble?"

"I could not, mother-Ada made me so.

angry."
"And how could you allow yourself to be angry with a baby that does not know her right hand from her led. She had no intention of doing any mi chaf-she just tore a small paper that she found on the carpet-that was alland you were angry with your dear little sister!"

"She is a little fool!"—exclaimed Kate,. raising her voice again and reddenning with

The tears gathered in Mrs Bond's eyes as sho

grz d surrowfully on her daughter.

Now Kate was a passionate, self-willed child, and had always given her parents a great deal of trouble, yet she had kind feelings; and after she had done wrong, and grieved her mother and ill treated her sisters and brothers, she always regretted it, and made promises that she nevel, never would be naughty again: but the very next time that she felt cross, no matter what was the cause, she would again be unkind, perhaps violent.

But now, when she saw her mother's eyes. fill with tears, and felt that she was distressing that tender parent who had done so much for her, she releated, and running to the sofa on which her mother was sitting, she threw her arms around her neck and sobbed Forgive me, do forgivo me this time, and I solemaly,

promise that I will behave better: I never will l

he so angry again."

Mrs Bond put away the curls that had been, in the agitation of the moment shaken over her daughter's face, and tenderly kissing her check she said-I will rely on your promise. Kate-I shall pray that you may receive strength to keep this solemn promise, and, my child, if you feel at any time tempted to be angry, remember that God sees you, that the blessed Saviour and the angels are looking down from heaver upon you. Think of this, and you surely will not dare allow your anger to appear-and for the wicked thought in your heart, you must pray to 'God to forgive it.'

Kate kissed her mother, and her little sister Ada, and then gathered up the fragments of her her carmine saucer, and hov, and other articles. When she had nicely arranged all the c-she rame to her mother's side again, and asked ifthere was anything more she could do.

"Not at present, my child-you had better now go to your own chamber and thing for a little time, of the promise that you have made; and if you write it down it m'el cassist in keeping it in your mind. The that danger with syour temper is that you forget your good resolutions."

"I know it, mother-but how very hard"it is

no be good!"

"Do you thing so, my love? Now tell me what very hard things the good have to per-

"O, I do n't know what in particular-but it does seem to me very hard. Some persons can be good easy enough I suppose. There is Lucy now-why the is always happy; nothing ever

happens to provoke her or disappoint her."
"Indeed,—Why, I thought she was disappointed last week, the day she was to have gone to visit the Asylum for the Blind, you recollect how it rained-and did not Charley overturn h. . vase of wax flowers the other day, and break that beautiful passion flower-and only yesterday little Ada tore the cameo seal off. Lucy's note you remember—and then she has a sister Kate who often wears her calash and gloves and some-times mislays these articles. and takes other liberties which, if Lucy allowed herself to find fault, might furnish cause of secomplaint."

"O, I know it, mother, I know it! Lucy is the best sister and the best girl that ever livedbut then she has naturally a pleasant temper."

"And you, my daughter, have a strong mind and can control and regulate your temper if you will try. This you have solemnly promised to do. Let your motto be remember—and your prayer 'Lead us not into temptation, and your sentiment.

Teach me to feel another's wo, To hide the fault I sec-The mercy I to others show That mercy show to me.'

"A merry Christmas! merry Christmas!"shouted Charley Bond, popping in his round, curly head 'rough the half-opened door of his

sisters' sleeping apartment.

"A merry Christmas! my dear sisters,"
echoed Frank Bond in a more quiet tone, as he
subbed the door wide open. Lucy was not
been but Kate, startled from a sound sleep, ried out in an angry tone, as she rubbed her

been up this half hour."

"Yes, and it took me half on hour good to wake you, Charley, do n't bonst over your sister," said Frank. "Come, come, let us go and find Lacy"—and off the boys ran to the parlor, the quicker as they saw that Kate looked frowningly, and they knew she could scold.

Kate arose and dressed herself in great haste, fictting all the time because Lucy had not wakened her. She entirely forget, for the moment, her promise to her mother, and her eye flashed with the anger that wa in her heart. Poor Katy! How much trouble her violent temper gave herself as well as her friends. An

angry person is always unhappy.

Lucy was the eldest child, a sweet-tempered, considerate, helpful little lady of about thirteen vears old. Mrs Bond was an excellent woman and a most tender and exemplary mother, but she was often ill, and had hardly strength to govern her children. But Lucy never needed any correction-she was raturally, as Kate said, of a most sweet and amiable disposition. If Dr. Spurzheim had examined her head he would have said that she did not need any law to control her-she was conscientions. She had a high forehead, and the top of her head was expanded, so that there were large organs of reverence, benevalence, conscientiousness hove, and ideality, as a Phrenologist would cay-and these organs, when predominant, give a peculiar charm of goodness to the character, Fortunate is the person who has a high head from the ear up to the middle of the crown, and then the forehead swelling up high and broad at the temples-so say the phrenologists, and Lucy had just such a head as a phrenologist would dote on-

"And Kate?"

I must in truth say that Kate's head was not, phrenologically speaking, as good as Lucy's. She had a high head at the lack part of the crown exactly on the place on which the Indians call the scalp, and where the phrenologist says that the organs of self-esteem and lone of appro-bation are situated—she had a very fine forehead, however, much like Lucy's, only not quite so high-and she had the back part of the head largely developed, where that organ with the long name, Piloprogenitiveness, meaning the love of children, and adhesiveness, or the organ of the love of friends, are situated, Kate had both these organs large, and she loved her friends dearly, and little children, and young animals of almost every sort, were her delight. She always had a number of pets-but then her large self-esteem made her exacting and imperious,—and she had firmness, which lies next to self-esteem on the top of the head, also very large; and combativeness was by no means small, so that, on the whole, her head was one that showed she must be governed, either by herself, or by some friend.

To be continued.

'BE COURTEOUS.' 1st Epis. Peter, ini. 8. Every thing in character and in manners. which contributes to make a man a Christian, helps also to make him a gentleman. So that the most complete Christian is really and truly the most finished gentleman. If all men partook of the spirit of the Bible, What do you mean by making such a moise you block-heads?—shut the door I say?
Why, Katy, how lazy you are!" cried Chesterfield might be laid on the shelf, and common polished state of society than he

it is Christmas day, and we are to have our jever dreamed of would every where be seen, presents you know, Katy, so do rise. I have And the manners of such an age would And the manners of such an age would possess an excellence to which the studied courtesy of fashionable life is an utter stranger: they would be the unvarnished picture of the heart. In running the mind over the items of good behaviour, which distinguish the conduct of a gentleman, we meet with none of any importance which a Christian is not bound to practise by the terms of his profession.

Is it a breach of good manners to use profane or obscene language? so does the Gospel explicitly command 'swear not at all, and 'put away all filthy communication out of your mouth.' Is it ungentlemanly to bandy mutual revilings? so is it unchristian to render 'railing for railing.' Is it an outrage upon genteel breeding to appropriate to one's self comforts or conveniences, when others are present who are equally entitled to enjoy them? the Scripture also enjoins, Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.' And thus might we multiply parallels until a combined character should be formed in which the Christian would behold the measure of the fulness of the stature of Christ,' and the man of just sensibilities, and finished manners, should recognize his beau. ideal of a polished gentleman.

We have sometimes looked upon Christian society with these principles in our mind. and have been shocked to observe in what light esteem many Christians appear to hold the common courtesies of life, not remembering that the servant of the Lord must be

gentle unto all men.

When we have seen a Christian, in his own house, neglecting his company, giving no heed to conversation addressed to him, but attending rather to some species of selfgratification; when we have seen him at the table of a friend helping himself to the choicest viands, and eating as if he were striving for a wager; when we have found him possessed of memory very treacherous of others' interests or business or comfort. while it was signally retentive of whatever concerned himself, we have wished to present him with a phylactory, inscribed in a mammoth characters with the injunction of the Apostle, 'BE COURTEOUS.

When we see a Christian brother in a deliberative assembly, evidently kindled by the heat of debate, ready to discomfit his antagonist by any means, pouring upon him a flood of invective, or sapping his character and undermining his forbearance, by ungenerous hints and vexatious inuendoes; when we see him ready at all the trickery of intrigue and underplot, which are hardly tolerated in a promiscuous political assentbly, we long to sit at his elbow, and, like the slave in the triumphal car of the Roman generals, whisper frequently in his car a gentle check upon his besetting sin. Would not the Apostles admonition chasten and

christianize his demeanor- be courteous.') When we hear a minister of the 'meek and lowly' Jesus thundering his anathemas from the pulpit, with the boisterous confidence of a town crier, or when we see him steeping from his lofty duties to dabble in foul personalities, availing himself of the sanctity of his office, and the 'es triplex circa pectus' of his situation, to include in rudeness which common civility would exclude from a parlor, and common prudence would forbid to use in private pastoral intercourse, we are strongly tempted to rise in our pew, interrupt the discourse, and beg to propound as a text, part of the eight verse of the third chapter of St. Peter's first Epistle - BR COURTEOUS .- Christian Witness.

THE WINTER-THE POOR.-The high price of almost every article of living at the present time, often leads the benevolent, who have a heart to feel for the wants of others though their own are supplied, to inquire, "What will the poor do for fuel and food, during the approaching winter?" It is well to think, thus early, on this subject. That 'the poor will not be able to supply themselves with food and fuel, in a great many cases, during the coming winter, it its severity is like that of the last, is unquestionable. That they must not be left to perish in this Christian land, is equally unquestionable, though they must enevitably suffer if the present prices continue.-How, then, and by whom, must their sufferings be mitigated.

To answer this inquiry, we must, probably, search after the cause of their poverty. What is it that exposes them to pinching wants? Why have they not laid up something during the summer, to meet the demands of winter? How comes it that in this land of abundance -in this land where there is often more labor needed than can be obtained, and where the price of labor is high, how comes it that the close of autumn finds them without funds for defraying the expenses of winter? Doubtless no one answer can be given, which would cover every case. are sickness and accident, and disappointment, and other dispensations of providence, which leave some destitute of the means of providing food and fuel during the winter, after all their care and industry, and economy. Such cases call for the warm sympathy and generous relief of the charitable. there are widows, all whose efforts and sacrifices are not sufficient to procure more than enough to meet the daily commands of their fatherless children.

INSANITY.

There is no end to the false impressions and delusions with which the mind may be affected, A physician was once called to the effect of making them regard the return

see a man laboring under the fancy that he was a tea-pot. - And when the physicians endeavored to ridicule him out of the idea, he indignantly replied, "I am a tea-pot, and forming a semi-circle with one arm by placing his hand upon his hip, he said, "there is the handle," and thrusting out the other arm, "there is the spout,"-Men have believed themselves converted into barrels and rolled about the streets. One case is recorded of a man who behaved himself a clock, and would stand for hours at the head of the stairs, clicking with his tongue. A respectable tradesman in England even fancied himself metamorphosed into a seven shilling piece, and took the presantion of requesting, as a particular tayor of his friends, that if his wife should present him in payment, they would not give change for Some have supposed that many armed knights were engaged in battling against them. A sea captain in Philadelphia, believed for many years that he had a wolf in his liver. A madman in the Pennsylvania hospital believed that he was once a calf, and mentioned the name of the butcher who killed him, and the very stall in the market on which his flesh was sold, previously to his animating his present body. One man believes his legs to be made of butter and with the greatest caution avoids the fire; another imagines them to be made of glass and with extreme care wraps them up and guards them with wooden boxes when he goes out to ride. A Prince of Bourbon often supposes himself to be a plant, and taking his stand in the garden, would insist upon being watered in common with the plants around him.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OF CHILDRIN. -Do not press your children too much during their early years on the subject of religion. Show them by your example, that it is the object of your own reverence; but suffer their religious principles to form gradually as their understandings open. Do not make religion appear to them a burden; do not lay them under unnecessary restraints; do not let them see religion clothed in a dress There is a diversity of causes, if we take the repulsive to their youthful minds. To insure whole range of poverty in our land. There its making a good ir pression on them, let it be clothed in its native colors of attraction. Study to make them regard it is an object of veneration, but at the same time, what it truly is, as a source of cheerfulness and joy. Do not let them regard the Sabbath as a day of gloom and restraint. Take them with you to the house of God, and accustom them to regard institutions of religion with reverence, but do not compel them, during the rest of the day, to remain immured within the walls of your own house. Allow them the reasonable indulgence useful to their health, rational itself, and no way inconsistent with their religious character; while the refusal of that indulgence has just

of the day as a day of penance and mortification, instead of bailing it as a day of

AMERICAN SILK. Mrs Kimball of Hopkinton, appeared at the Fair of the Merrimae County, N. H. Agricultural Society, in Concord, on Wednesday, elad m rich and durable Silk of her own manufac-She procured the mulberry trees, raised the worms, reeled, twisted, colored, and wove the silk with her own hands.

ANGLING. - The following anecdote which we have seen printed somewhere, is capital. "Any'ting gite you dare!" inquired one Dutchman of another, engaged in angling, "No, Hans." "Well, notten pite me, too."

HALITAX ELECTION.

At ten o'clock on Monday last, the Poll was opened for the Election of two Representatives for the County and two for the Fownship.

STATE O THE POLL-MONDAY, 4 p'clock, P.M. For the Town-Sturr, 78; Forrester, 73; Murdoch, 52; Bell, 30. County-Howe, 164; Lawson, 80; Annand, 62; Gladwin, 10.

Tuesnay-Town-Starr, 218; Forrester, 189; Murdoch, 121; Bell, 104. Ccoaty-Howe, 495; Annand, 252; Lawson, 232; Gladwin, 22.

WEDNESDAY-At the close of the Poll in Halifax. For the Town-Forrester, 423; Starr, 385; Bell, 318; Murdoch, (when he resigned) 156. County-Howe, 877; Lawson, 457; Annand, 407; Gladwin, 45.

Mechanics Institute .- Mr. Donald w.ll lecture on Phrenology next Wednesday evening.

MARRIED.

On Sunday Evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Uniacke, William M. Shearmen, R. N., to Sophia Frances, third daughter of Mr. Christopher Mathews, of the Royal Naval Dock Yard.

Friday morning last, after alingering and severe illness, Mr. James Long, Merchant.

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THE DEAD IN CHRIST.

(By the Right Rov. Bishop Doane of New Jersey.)

Lift not thou the wailing voice: Weep not; 'tis a Christian dieth; Up, where blessed saints rejoice, Ransomed now the spirit flieth: High in heaven's own light she dwelleth, Full the song of triumph swelleth: Freed from earth and carthly failing, Lift for her no voice of wailing,

Pour not thou the bitter tear; Heaven its book of comfort opeth; Bids thee sorrow not, nor fear,

But as one who always hopeth: Humbly here in faith relying, Peacefully in Jesus dying, Heavenly joy her eye is flushing, Why should thine with tears be gushing?

They who die in Christ are blest, Ours then be no thought of grieving; Sweetly with their God they rest.

All their toils and troubles leaving: So be ones that faith that saveth, Hope that every trial braveth, Love that to the end endureth, And, through Christ the crown secureth.

COLD WEATHER .- As winter is fast approaching, and limbs will probably be frozen, we deem it an act of mere humanity, to give a few words of advice, which may probably save some fingers and toes, and the reader may be certain that we speak the only a mile distant. words of experience.

Wear shoes, which will give the boncs and muscles of the feet free play. The animal heat is sufficient unless at a very low temperature. Indian moccasins are still better. In dry weather, they are a perfect defence against cold; in wet, it is never cold enough

to paralyze the system.

If you should chance to freeze a hand or a toot, never go nigh a fire to than it unless you wish to loose a finger or a toc. Stay till a tub of ice-cold water can be procured, and then plunge the frozen member into it. Then you will feel acute pain and lose the skin of the frozen part, perhaps the tee or finger nail - never mind-they will soon be renewed.

If, on the other hand, you thaw your frozen digits at a fire, they will shortly exhibit one black mass of corruption, the fiesh will fall from the bone, and the dry bones will protinde, till mortification or the

surgeon's knife removes them.

take place even when a proper course of many instances.

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If you freeze your nose or ears, apply a handful of snow to them. It is the sudden change of solid to fluid, that is dangerous. Fishes may be kept for years in a frozen state and be restored to life by a gradual thaw. We have more than once witnessed the fact. If the effect of cold should render you sleepy or apathetic, beware how you yeild to your benumbed feelings, or you are gone. You may, perhaps, remember the case of Banks and Solunder; lost and benighted in Terra del Fuego-if not, we will give you an example of the danger of sleeping from the effects of cold from our personal experience.

Half a score years ago, a party of soldiers were descending Rum River on the ice. The day was intensely cold, and towards the close of it, a private was observed to lag behind. No notice was taken of this, as it was a thing of frequent occurrence, and the party proceeded to encamp. But when the night grew lark, and the straygler did not appear, all were in alarm. In the morning a few men went back to find the absentee. They found that the man had turned into the woods and had attempted to make a fire. He had striken a spark, placed a hundful of twigs upon it, and had knelt down to blow the flume. In this posture Death laid a cold hand upon him and the ravens had picked out his eyes. He was buried in his bent posture, and we saw the three vollies fire over him .- The same exertion which this man used to strike a light, would have enabled him to reach the camp, which was

We once froze our feet, to all appearances stiff, to the ancles; but we did not run to the fire. On the contrary, we danced barefoot in the snow, though there was no feeling, till cold water was obtained. When we put them into the tub, a thick seum of ice rose to the surface. We lost the skin and the nails but not a joint. We have never stood upon a warm foot since. The effect of one thorough freezing adheres for-

Having lived years in a much colder climate than this, we have had some opportunity to study the operation of extreme cold, and if experience amounts to any thing, we can say that the precautions we have recommended are infallible.

GETTING AHEAD. - The New York Commercial noticing some fur caps exhibited at the Fair of the American Institute, by Shappard Brown, who received the silver medal last year, relates, as worth telling There is danger that mortification may for encouragement to others, his brief history. He is a young man, and first engaged in thawing has been used. In such a case, wear the manufacture of skins and furs in 1832, a loose glove or stocking, crammed as full of with a respectable house in New York, pulverized charcoal as it will hold. It is a receiving six dollars a month and his board. most powerful anti-putrescent, and we have In 1833, his wages had got up to seven known it to prove efficacious in a great dollars and a half per week, but not content with this, he managed to borrow fifteen

dollars, which he laid out in skins. These he dressed and made into caps, in his leisure time, and sold them for one hundred and fifty dollars. Encouraged by this success, he made a great effort and succeeded in borrowing three hundred dollars, and commenced business on his own hook. In 1835, he dressed and worked up skins to the amount of seven thousand dollars, and this year his business will probably exceed fifty thousand dollars. So much for enterprise, skill and industry.

So late as 1784, an American vessel arrived at Liverpool, with eight bags of cotton, which were seized, under the belief that America did not produce that article; and now her produce is 400 millions of pounds, the greater part of which is consumed in Great Britain; and it is a remarkable fact that the native country of the Seu Island cotton is supposed to be Persia! The Carolina rice, which sells at 5d. per lb. whilst the best India rice sells at only 21-2d., originated in a single bag of East India rice given by Mr. C. Dubois, of the East India House, to an American trader. All the coffee of the West Indies originated in a single plant in the hot houses of Amsterdam. How pregnant are those examples—and know much may the act, even of an individual, change the face of a country.

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