AN ANCIENT TESTAMENT.—Mr. Wm .G. Patience, of Hartford has in his possession a copy of the New Testament, in a good state of preservation, printed in London, in the year 1596—two hundred and fifty-nine years ago. It is printed in small quarto, in the old black letter style with copious explanatory notes. The title page reads as follows.—"The NewTestament of Ovr Lord Iesvs Christ, translated out of Greek, by Theod. Beza. Wherevnto are adioyned the large explanations of the phrases and hard places, by the Author and others; together with a table of Concordance conteining the principall words and matters contained herein. Englished by L. Tomson. Imprinted at London by the Deputies of Christopher Barker, Printer to the Queenes most excellent majesty, 1596." The book is quite a curiosity, and would be highly prized by antiquarians.

"HEAVEN BLESS THE DUKE OF ARGYLE!"—It seems the Duke of Argyle is to be the Postmaster-General. This is the first time that in England the name of Argile has been been brought in close connection with the Post, though in Scotland, we believe, some such institution has long flourished under the ducal auspices, having for generations been most efficacious in bringing all hanbs up to the scratch. Let us hope one of the good effects of the Duke's appointment will be, to cure the postmen of the terrible itch they have for opening our letters. In our opinion, the most effectual cure, and the one that would produce the least irritation, would be to increase their miserable salaries, which at present are scarcely sufficient, with the tremendous amount of walking they have to keep body and soul together, of their boots, much less their persons. Let the new postmaster-General do this, and many a poor, fagged, worn-out fellow will fervently exclaim, as he rushes to the post, "Heaven Bless the Duke of Argyle! "— *Punch*

LIFE A LIBRARY.—Life is a library, composed of several volumes. With some, these volumes are richly gilt; with others, quite plain. Of its several volumes, the first is a Child's Book, full of pretty pictures; the second is a School-Book, blotted, inked, and dog's eared; the next is a Thrilling Romance, full of love, hope, ruin, and despair, winding up with a marriage with the most beautiful heroine that ever was; there is the Housekeeping-Book, with the butchers' and bakers' bills increasing every year, after that, come the Day-Book and Ledger, swelling out into many volumes, presenting a rare fund of varied information, and jingling like a cash-box with money; these are followed up with a grave History, solemnly travelling over the events of the Past, with many wise deductions and grave warnings; and last of all comes the Child's Book again, with its pages rather soiled, and its pictures by no means so bright as they used to be. To the above library is some times added the banker's Book, thick with gold, but it is a very scarce work, and only to be met with in the richest collections.

FEMALE SOCIETY.—To a young man, nothing is so important as a spirit of devotion (next to his Creator) to some amiable woman, whose image may occupy his heart, guard it from pollution, which besets it on all sides. A man ought to choose a wife, as Mrs. Primrose did her wedding-gown, for qualities that "wear well."

GOOD AND BAD SIGNS.—It's a good sign to see a man doing an act of charity to his fellows. It's a bad sign to hear him boasting of it.—It's a good sign to see the color of health in a man's face. It's a bad sign to see it all concentrated to his nose.—It's a good sign to see an honest man wearing old clothes. It's a bad sign to see them filling holes in his windows.—It's a good sign to see a woman dressed with taste and neatness. It's a bad sign to see her husband sued for her feathers and foolery, gems and jewellery.

The city government of New York demands nearly six and a half million of dollars to keep it in operation for 1856.— Upwards of ten dollars each to every inhabitant in it.

A WINDFALL.—Captain Carpenter, late 41st regiment, who was severely wounded at the battle of the Alma, has, by the decision of the Court of Chancery, come into possession of £60,000,

MARRIAGE OF SIR ROBERT PEEL.—Preliminaries of a matrimonial alliance have been arranged between Sir Robert Peel, M.P., and the Hon. Miss Hay, youngest daughter of the Marquis of Tweeddale.

SERIOUS DEFALCATION.—Mr. Bulmer, the cashier in the well-known firm of Messrs. Jacques, Myers, and Co., brokers, Liverpool, has, it is reported, been discovered to be a defaulter to the extent of about £9000.

A GREAT MAN'S BOOKS.—A recent visitor to the Library of Daniel Webster, which remains at his old home in Marshfield, just as he left it, after giving a full description of it, says, "Not an infidel work could be found among all his books. He never read such books. The very close of his life, he retained that reverence for the bible and the religion it inculcates, which his excellent parents taught him in infancy. The mute counsellors with whom he communed in retirement, still show how he the ght, how he studied, and what opinions he cherished. \A better selection of books to make one wise and good could scarcely be made.

LITERARY LABOUR OF MISSIONARIES.—The Missionaries of the English Baptist Missionary Society have written and published fourteen grammars nine dictionaries, mostly of languages in which no such works previously existed. They have also translated the Scriptures, in whole or in part, into nearley all the languages of India, besides those of Isudu and Dualla, on the west coast of Africa.

A REMARKABLE NARRATIVE.—A few nights since there passed though this city, on the railroad, bound for Canada, a family of eight fugitive slaves. One of these—a leading spirit of the whole—was a woman, sixty years of age, a bold, courageous, prompt, and energetic woman. Two years ago she was living as a slave in the south. She was the mother of six children, all of whom she had seen torn from her arms when old enough to be useful, and sold away from her. One day she heard her master bargaining with a soul-driver, who desired to purchase, for the far south, a boy some fifteen years old. Stung to the quick by this design of stripping her of the last of her kindred, she instantly resolved on flight.

The same night she started with her boy for the North. Night after night they travelled by the north star—the only guide the helpless fugitive knows in making for the land of freedom, and one that deceives him not, since it is fixed in the heavens. After long and painful wanderings they arrived in Canada.

Here this heroic woman hired herself at wages. Two months ago, with a purse well filled, she started back to the residence of her old master at the South. Here, alone, she concealed herself in woods and thickets, a fugitive from freedom—cared for, however, by the few trusty souls to whom she revealed the dangerous secret of her presence in the land of bondage. After remaining there some two weeks, she collected seven of her children and grandchildren, and started for the North. Long and slow and anxious was their journey. The same unerring star shone faithfully from above upon their midnight pathway. By day they lay by, concealed among the thicket of the country, through which they made a bee line for the North. No toil discouraged, no danger dismayed this heroic woman. Many a time the party suffered to the verge of starvation. She cheered them onward—she was their only "guide, their counsellor, and friend."

Worn down with the hardships of this perilous journey, with garments torn to shreds and fluttering in the breeze; with shoes worn into fragments, without hats or bonnets, this heroine conducted her party to the house of a friend. Word was immediately passed around among some of the good souls who dwell there as the salt of the earth, that eight fugitives were concealed in a garret, destitute of the means of further progress. The word was followed by the deed. All necessary means were instantly provided for their safe transmission to the North, and the train which passed through this city on the same night, carried the whole party toward the home of their leader, in Canada, where they have by this time undoubtedly arrived.

We doubt if a similar instance of devotion to friends and kindred is on record. It requires a daring mind to even conceive the idea of going back to the scene of bondage, and encountering the hazard of discovery in the lion's den. But nothing short of that heroism which under other circumstances has made men immortal, needed to put into execution an enterprise so full of difficulty and danger.—Such spirits, if any, not only deserve to be free but are fitted to enjoy the largest liberty.—Trenton State Gazette.

THERE are men who have persevered, toiled, and studied, not for themselves, but for a being whom they seek in vain—who have hearts that are forbearingly hoarding up affection in anticipations that can never be realised, even as the fond wife kindles her hearth and spreads her board for the husband who will never return. The other side of the medallion is equally pictorial, and woman's young hopes are as frequently destroyed as man's. How many are disappointed and ruined by drunken, idle, spendthrift, reprobate husbands! Count them; and weigh the wives and husbands of blighted hopes in a balance. One will not weigh heavier than the other.

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CHARLES T. JACKSON, M. D.,
AUG. A. HAYES, M·D.,
Assayers to the State of Massachusetts.

BOSTON, Aug 30, 1852.

Mr. John Newell, of Boston, has exhibited to me a Lamp, and also containing vessels, furnished with wire gauze protectors, upon the principle of Davy's Safety Lamp for miners He has used both these instruments before me with inflammable fluids, and in both, when set on fire, the flame was arrested by the wire gauze, which is coated with silver. If the instruments are faithfully constructed, and carefully attended to, so that the wire gauze does not suffer injury from corrosion, wear or violence, I am of opinion that the protection will prove effectual against explosion. Nothing short of this conviction would induce me to countenance the continued use of the burning fluids, so called, as I have thought they ought to be entirely discarded, if not prohibited from use; so frequent and dreadful are the accidents occasioned by ignorance and carelessness. In every case, glass lamps should be given up; and those of metal substituted, on account of the danger of fracture.

B. SILLMAN, senior.

NEW HAVEN, Oct. 16, 1853.

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F. S. CARR, M. D.,
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