VIRTUE WITHOUT.

Virtue without success

Is a fair picture shown by an ill light; But lucky men are favorites of heaven: All own the chief, when fortune owns the

SUFFERING.

A SUBLIME THING. O fear not in a world like this, And thou shalt know ere long, Know how sublime a thing it is

Longfellow.

SUICIDE.

Child of despair, and suicide my name.

AWFULNESS OF.

To suffer and be strong.

If there be an hereafter, And suffer'd to speak out, tells every man,

Then must it be an awful thing to die; More horrid yet to die by one's own hand.

COWARDICE OF.

He

That kills himself, t' avoid mis'ry, fears it; To waste long nights in pensive discontent; And at the best shows but a bastard valour; To speed to-day, to be put back to-morrow, This life's a fort committed to my trust, Which I must not yield up, till it be forc'd; Nor will I: he's not valiant that dares die; To have thy prince's grace, yet want his But he that boldly bears calamity.

Massinger.

'Tis not courage, when the darts of chance Are thrown against our state, to turn our backs,

And basely run to death; as if the hand Of heaven and nature had lent nothing else T' oppose against mishap, but loss of life; Which is to fly, and not to conquer it.

Suicide is not to fear death, but yet to be contemn death; but when life is more ter- the year is in its highest beauty. Virgil. rible than death, it is then the truest valour Dominion of. to dare to live; and herein religion hath taught us a noble example, for all the valiant acts of Curtius, Scarvola, or Codrus, do not parallel or match that one of Job.

Sir Thomas Browne.

When all the blandishments of life are gone,

The coward sneaks to death, the brave live | While, from his ardent look, the turning on.

CRIME OF.

Self-murder, that infernal crime,

HORROR OF.

O deaf to nature, and to heaven's command Against thyself to lift the murdering hand! O damn'd despair!-to shun the living light,

Dryden. And plunge thy guilty soul in endless night.

PROHIBITED.

Against self-slaughter There is a prohibition so divine, That cravens my weak hand.

Shakespeare.

SUITOR.

CONDITION OF A.

So pitiful a thing is suitor's state— Most miserable man, whom wicked fate Hath brought to court to me; for had I wist And that there is, conscience, uninfluenc'd That few have found, and many a one hath miss'd!

Full little knowest thou-thou hast not tried-

What hell it is in suing long to bide;

To lose good day, that night be better spent,

To feed on hope, to pine with fear and sorrow:

peers';

To have thy asking, yet wait many years; To fret thy soul with crosses and with cares, To eat thy heart through comfortless despairs;

To fawn, to crouch, to wait, to ride, to run, To spend, to give, to want, to be undone. Sir Walter Raleigh.

SUMMER.

Now every field and every tree is in afraid of life. It is a brave act of valour to | bloom; the woods are now in full leaf, and

From brightening fields of ether fair isclos'd.

Child of the sun, refulgent summer comes, In pride of youth, and felt through nature's depth,

He comes attended by the sultry hours, And ever fanning breezes on his way;

Averts her bashful face; and earth, and skies,

Which all the gods level their thunder at! All smiling, to his hot dominion leaves.

SUN.

The gorious lamp of heaven, the sun. Herrick.

ADORATION OF THE.

1 marvel not, 0 sun! that unto thee, In adoration, man should bow the knee, And pour the prayer of mingled awe and love;

For like a God thou art, and on thy way Of glory sheddest, with benignant ray, Beauty and life, and joyance from above.

DEFINITION OF THE.

That orbed continent, the fire That severs day from night. Shakespeare. Sublimity of the.

The sun

God's crest upon His azure shield the heavens.

DIVINITY OF THE.

There was not, on that day, a speck to stain The azure heaven; the blessed sun alone, In unapproachable divinity,

Career'd, rejoicing in his fields of light. Southey.

GLORIES OF THE.

Thou tide of glory, which no rest doth know, But ever ebb and ever flow!

Thou golden shower of a true Jove!

Who doth in thee descend, and heaven to Cowley. earth make love.

The glorious sun-the centre and soul of our system-the lamp that lights it,-the fire that heats it,-the magnet that guides and controls it;-the fountain of colour, which gives its azure to the sky, its verdureto the fields, its rainbow-hues to the gay world of flowers and the purple light of love to the marble cheek of youth and Sir David Brewster. beauty.

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Thou lookest forth at morning; flinging

Its curtain clouds of purple and vermilion, Dispensing life and light on every side.

Barton.

NEED OF THE.

Though the sun scorches us sometimes, and gives us the head-ache, we do not refuse to acknowledge that we stand in need of his warmth.

SPLENDOUR OF THE.

The angels even Draw strength from gazing on its glance, Though none its meaning fathom may; The world's unwither'd countenance

Is bright as at creation's day.

The golden sun, in splendor likest heav'n, Dispenses light from far; they, as they move

Their starry dance, in numbers that com-

Days, months, and years, towards his allcheering lamp,

Turn swift their various motions, or are turn'd

By his magnetic beam, that gently warms The universe; and to each inward part, With gentle penetration, though unseen,

Shoots invisible virtue ev'n to the deep.

Open the casement, and up with the sun! His gallant journey has now begun, Bailey. Over the hills his chariot is roll'd,

Banner'd with glory and burnish'd with gold;

Over the hills he comes sublime,

Bridegroom of earth, and brother of time! Martin F. Tupper.

WELCOME TO THE.

Welcome, the lord of light and lamp of day; Welcome, fosterer of tender herbis green;

Welcome, quickener of flourish'd flowers sheen;

Welcome, support of every root and vane; Welcome, comfort of all kind fruits and grain:

Welcome, the bird's green beild upon the brier:

Welcome, master and ruler of the year; Welcome, welfare of husbands at the

ploughs; Welcome, repairer of woods, trees, and

boughs; Welcome, depainter of the bloomit meads;

Most glorious art thou! when from thy pa- Welcome, the life of everything that spreads. G. Douglas.

SUN FLOWER.

The proud giant of the garden race, Who, madly rushing to the sun's embrace O'ertops her fellows with aspiring aim, Demands his wedded love, and bears his Churchill. name.

SUNLIGHT.

Philip de Mornay. | Sunlight seeking hidden shadow, touch'd The green leaves all a tremble with gold light.

SUNRISE.

And see-the sun himself! on wings Goethe. Of glory up the east he springs.

Angel of light! who from the time Those heavens began their march sublime, Hath first of all the starry choir Trod in his Maker's steps of fire! Moore.

BEAUTY OF. When the breaking day is flushing All the East, and light is gushing Upward through the horizon's haze, Sheaf-like, with its thousand rays Spreading, until all above Overflows with joy and love, And below, on earth's green bosom, All is chang'd to light and blossom; Then, O Father !- Thou alone, From the shadow of thy throne, To the sighing of my breast, And its rapture answerest: All my thoughts, with upward winging, Bathe where Thy own light is springing! Whittier.

GLORIES OF.

But yonder comes the powerful king of day, Rejoicing in the east. The lessening cloud, The kindling azure, and the mountain's brow,

Illum'd with fluid gold, his near approach Betoken glad. Lo! now, apparent all, Aslant the dew-bright earth, and colour'd air.

He looks in boundless majesty abroad; And sheds the shining day, that burnish'd

On rocks, and hills, and towers, and wand-'ring streams,

High gleaming from afar. Thomson.

SUNSET.

BEAUTIES OF.

See the descending sun, Scatt'ring his beams about him as he sinks, And gilding heaven above, and seas beneath.

With paint no mortal pencil can express. Hopkins.

Now the noon,

Wearied with sultry toil, declines and falls, Into the mellow eve :- the west puts on Her gorgeous beauties-palaces and halls, And towers, all carv'd of the unstable cloud, Welcome the calmly waning monarch-he Sinks gently midst that glorious canopy Down on his couch of rest-even like a proud

King of the earth-the ocean. Bowring. SUNSHINE.

BLESSINGS OF.

Blest power of sunshine! genial day, What balm, what life are in thy ray! To feel thee is such real bliss, That, had the world no joy but tnis, To sit in sunshine calm and sweet, It were a world too exquisite For man to leave it for the gloom, The deep cold shadow of the tomb.

Moore.

SUPERSTITION.

BURDEN OF.

The greatest burden in the world is superstition, not only of ceremonies in the church, but of imaginary and scarecrow sins at home.

DEFORMITY OF.

'Tis a history

Handed from ages down; a nurse's tale-Which children, open-ey'd and mouth'd,

devour;

And thus as garrulous ignorance relates, We learn it and believe.

Superstition without a veil is a deformed thing: there is also a superstition in avoiding a superstition, when men think they do best if they go farthest from the superstition; by which means they often take away the good as well as the bad. Bacon.

A DISTURBER.

I think we cannot too strongly attack superstition, which is the disturber of society; nor too highly respect genuine religion, which is the support of it.

Superstition renders a man a fool, and scepticism makes him mad. HORRORS OF.

Superstition! that horrid incubus which dwelt in darkness, shunning the light, with all its racks, and poison-chalices, and foul sleeping-draughts, is passing away without return. Religion cannot pass away. The burning of a little straw may hide the stars of the sky; but the stars are there, and will reappear. Carlyle.

SURMISE.

Surmise is the gossamer that malice blows on fair reputations; the corroding dew that destroys the choice blossom. Sur mise is primarily the squint of suspicion, and suspicion is established before it is con-Zimmerman. firmed.

SUSPENSE.

ANGUISH OF.

But be not long, for in the tedious minutes. Exquisite interval, I'm on the rack:

and cankers into the frame. One little cometh of evil. month of that suspense, when it involves DANGER ATTENDING. death, we are told by an eye witness in "Wakefield on the punishment of death," easily slide into perjury; therefore, if thou is sufficient to plough fixed lines and fur- wouldst not be perjured, do not use to swear. rows in a convict of five and twenty,-sufficient to dash the brown hair with grey, and Guilt of. to bleach the grey to white.

Bulwer Lytton.

LIVING IN. It is a miserable thing to live in suspense, it is the life of the spider.

SUSPICION.

CHARACTER OF.

among birds-they ever fly to twilight; with shillings. they are to be repressed, or at least well CLAIM FOR. guarded, for they cloud the mind. Bacon. Suspicion overturns what confidence builds; pity. And he that dares but doubt when there's HUMAN. no ground,

Is neither to himself nor others sound.

Massinger.

Suspicion is the poison of true friendship. Augustine.

No Love IN.

Nature itself, after it has done an injury, will ever be suspicious; and no man can It is the secret sympathy, love the person he suspects. REMEDY FOR.

There is nothing that makes a man suspect much, more than to know little; and, THE TEAR OF. therefore, men should remedy suspicion by No radiant pearl, which crested fortune procuring to know more, and not to keep their suspicions in smother.

TAINT OF.

It is hardly possible to suspect another without having in one's self the seeds of baseness the party is accused of.

Stanislaus.

SWEARING.

Maintain your rank, vulgarity despise, To swear is neither brave, polite, nor wise, Like warp and woof all destinies You would not swear upon a bed of death-Reflect-your Maker now may stop your Anonymous. breath.

ADMONITION AGAINST.

Swear not at all: neither by heaven; for Break but one it is God's throne: nor by the earth; for it Of a thousand keys, and the paining jar is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for Through all will run.

For sure the greatest evil man can know, | it is the city of the great king, Neither Bears no proportion to the dread suspense. shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou Frowde. canst not make one hair white or black. Of al. the conditions to which the heart But let your communication be yea, yea; is subject suspense is one that most gnaws nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these St. Maithew.

From a common custom of swearing, men

Take not His name, who made thy tongue, in vain;

It gets thee nothing, and hath no excuse.

SYMPATHY.

CHARACTER OF.

Sympathy, like subscription to charities, Suspicion among thoughts are like bats always commences with pounds, but ends

A brother's sufferings claim a brother's

As the human countenance smiles on those that smile, so does it sympathize with those that weep.

SECRET.

Kindness by secret sympathy is tied, For noble souls in nature are allied.

Dryden.

South. The silver link, the silken tie,

Which heart to heart, and mind to mind, In body and in soul can bind.

Bacon. No gem, that twinkling hangs, from beauty's ears:

Not the bright stars, which night's blue arch adorn;

Nor rising sun, that gilds the vernal morn: Shine with such lustre as the tear that flows Down virtue's manly cheek for others' woes,

UNIVERSAL.

Are woven fast,

Link'd in sympathy like the keys Of an organ vast;

Pluck one thread, and the web ye mar;