GOETHE. The man's trade With all its strife—

Is like the stir made By man on earth's face. Though weal and woe

The future may hide II HELL We onward go In ne'er-changing race.

A veil of dread Hangs heavier still. Deep slumbers mil The stars overhead, And the foot-trodden grave.

Observe them well, And watch them revealing, How solemn feeling The hearts of the brave.

The voice of the blest,
And of spirits on high
Seem loudly to cry:
To do what is best,
Unceasing endcavor! 'In silence eterne Here chaplets are twin'd.

That each noble mind Its guerdon may earn .-Then hope ye forever.

THE COUTTSES. ketch of a Great Banking House in London sao MATE TAR

A Boston paper contains quite an extended account of the great English banking house of Coutts, from which source we gather these details: Everybody has heard of Lady Burdett Coutts, the wealthy English woman whose munificence and hospitality have given her a world-wide reputation; but few people know any-thing about the family to which she was indebted, both for her name and her property. She was the daughter of Sir Francis Burdett, the eminent Whig statesman, who left a large family and a small estate. He had married the daughter of Thomas Coutts, the founder of the fortune

solid. Gilding and filagree work may Lorne. riches, but the aristocracy of something besides wealth prefers sub-stance to show. So thought Thomas Coutts when he built this structure. The strong room where the safes are kept cost him ten thousand pounds. The walls, floors and roofs are made of solid blocks of stone, carefully dove-tailed together, and the doors and panels are of wrought iron. Here are safes within safes containing the title-deeds, rent-rolls, and priceless valuables of the highest nobility in England. land. More coronetted carriages drive up to this smoking old building than

don. You may elbow a duke in these quarters, and brush royalty itself, if you are not careful. A SHREWD MOVE. It is curious to know how Thomas a city man, gossipping about his busi-ness, said a nobleman had applied to him that very day for a loan of thirty thousand pounds, which he refused to make, because the security offered was not sufficient. Courts said nothing, but after his guests had gone sent a messenger to the nobleman, requesting the favor of his lordships attendance at his banking-house in the Strand on the following morning. The next day the banker was gratified by receiving a call from the peer,
who was himself equally pleased by
the tender of a loan for the thirty
thousand pounds. As the notes were

all the other banking houses in Lon-

handed to him he asked "But what security am I to give Coutts, " with your lordship's note-of-

The astonished nobleman gave the note, and said that at present he should require only ten thousand pounds, and wished the banker to Oregon, in this city, state that he

their accounts to Coutts, who now became the favorite banker of fashionable London. George the Third banked with him till he found that Coutts had lent £100,000 to his son
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in-law, Sir Francis Burdett, to pay the expense of his election to Parliament.

+00 CHOLOS OF THE POST OFF Elizabeth, or Betty Starkey, as she was called, was the daughter of a small Lancashire farmer, and to good looks added the more valuable attractions of good sense and good humor.
A few days before her marriage, she was scrubbing the stairs, when one of her master's clerks was about going up to change his clothes. It was a rainy, dirty day, and, being anxious to have the work look well, Bettie told the young man to take off his

pleasure, was particularly gracious and friendly to him. that, notwithstanding her deficiency in culture and refinement, she soon became the equal in manners and intelligence of the ladies to whom her fortunate marriage introduced her. Her daughters were so well brought up that they became the ornaments of the aristocratic circles into which their liveral dowries helped to gain them admission. Sophia, the oldest, married Sir Francis Burdett; Susan, the second, became Countess of Guilford; and Francis, the third, was made wife of the first Marquis of

Bate. Coutts' liking for bright as well as aristocratic company drew to his dinners many wits, especially those of the theatrical profession, of which he was very fond. In this way he became acquainted with Harriet Mellon, the well-known actress, whom he marnow possessed by his grand-daughter, and of the famous banking-house that bears his name; but, as the old to him, and, at his death, seven years banker left his property to his widow, who married again, his grand-daughter's chances of being a rich possession of all his personal and woman were by no means flattering. landed property, including a very Fortunately for her, Mrs. Coutts, whose second husband was the Duke of St. Albans, secured her vast inheritance in her own hands, and, at | St. Albans, Mrs. Coutts did not part her death, showed her respect for the memory of old Thomas by leaving it to his favorite granddaughter on condition that she assumed the name of dition that she assumed the name of different that the name of different t

LADY BURDETT COUTTS' FORTUNE. Down in the Strand, near Temple Bar, is the great banking house of her valuables are stored in the strong Coutts & Co., as solid and strong boxes built by her eccentric grandfa-as in the lifetime of its found-er, and retaining and increasing the timated that her wealth, in the form aristocratic patronage which he first of sovereigns, would weigh thirteen secured for it. The building occupied tons and fill a hundred and seven flour by the firm is massive and gloomy looking, and the smoke which has blackened its walls for more than a tor, is still the most aristocratic of century has deepened the substantial London bankers, and has just admitaspect of the old pile. Inside and ted as a partner Lord Walter Campout, everything about it is heavy and | bell, the brother of the Marquis of

HATARE BATAREN

ment Italian Statesman, The death of this eminent states-man produced a profound sensation in Italy. Urbano Ratazzi was born in Alessandria, Piedmont, June 29, cation he settled as an advocate in Turin. After the revolution in 1848 he was elected from the College of Alessandria to the Chamber of Deputies at Turin, in which body he took his place among the liberals. After the defeat of Custozza, Charles Albert called him into the ministry, which he was obliged to resign eight days afterwards. Ratazzi then joined the opposition, under Gioberti, on whose triumph he received the post house the patronage of the aristocracy. Not long after his establishment in business he determined to increase his influence with moneyed men, and, as one means of accomplishing his object, gave regular dinners to the leading bankers and other financial magnates. At one of these dinners a city man, gossipping about his business and other financial abdication of Charles Albert, when he abdication of Charles Albert, when he of minister of the interior, and subsefound himself again in the ranks of the opposition. He afterward joined the party of moderate reformers, and became Vice President and in 1852 President of the Chamber, and in 1854 he re-entered the ministry, with the portfolio of justice, under the presidency of his former opponent, Count Cavour. On Cavour's retirement, after the peace of Villafranca, terior, but resigned in June, 1860, when Cavour returned to office. Since that time he has remained compara-tively quiet, only holding one or two

minor positions. THE STORY TRUE.

lenator Mitchell's Excuse for His Assumed Name, A Washington special telegram

open an account with him for the remaining thirty thousand.

Coutts consented to this arrangement, and had the satisfaction not long after, of receiving, in addition to the amount borrowed, a deposit of £200,000, the proceeds of the sale of some family estates, which the loan had enabled the nobleman to effect.

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SENATORIAL EXTRAVAGANCE.

The Stewart that was not A. T. nor "O. Michigary of a Birthday Par -What Goes with the Money. [Washington Letter in New York Sun.]
To show to what height this snobbery reached at the national capital
last winter I will briefly relate the story of a birthday party, which Senator Stewart, of Nevada, gave his daughter. For months scarcely anything was talked of in fashionable quarters save this grand affair which was to be. It was designed for the to have the work look well, Bettie told the young man to take off his shoes so as not to soil the stairs. Instead of doing so, however, the clerk took especial pains to stamp and scrape at every step in order to dirty them as much as possible. This was too much for Betty, who shouted after him—

"PH make you pull off your shoes, and your stockings too, whenever I choose it."

Was to be. It was designed for the event of the season—a magnificent entertainment which should rival in splendor and cost the court fete of an oriental prince. It was impossible to find any private residence or a hotel in the city capacious enough to afford room for the grand display that was to be made, and for the accommodation of the army of guests to be insight leased for one week at \$700 per day. An army of workmen and de-On hearing of the approaching marriage, the young man expected to be dismissed or made in some way to suffer the consequences of his indiscretion. The young Mrs. Coutts, however, so far from showing her displacements of the approaching marriage and arguments which is the consequences of his indiscretion. The young Mrs. Coutts, however, so far from showing her displacements and additional supplies had to be ordered from New York and Philadelphia. Although it was Philadelphia. Although it was BIRL in the dead of winter all the movable coopers Tools, plants and trees in the Government Botanical Garden were carted up to Masonic Hall to add to the grand effect. The decorations alone are said to have cost five thousand dollars. Then a grand collation was ordered from New York, which, with the wines and liquors, cost five thousand more. By order of the Secretary of the Navy the Marine Band was on hand to discourse sweet strains of music. Over eight hundred invitations were issued, and according to the glowing descriptions which appeared in the court circulars the next morning, fully that number of people were present and participated in the vulgar, shoddy affair. The toilets of the mother and daughter were minutely described in the court circulars, and the costs of the same, as well as of their diamouds, accurately

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