

The second class of considerations that are the source of love are those depending on the psychical qualities. Here we shall find that a woman universally is attracted by the qualities of a man's heart or character, both of which are inherited from the father. It is mainly firmness of will, determination and courage, and may be honesty and goodness of heart too, that win a woman over; while intellectual qualifications exercise no direct or instinctive power over her, for the simple reason that these are not inherited from the father. A lack of intelligence carries no weight with her; in fact, a superabundance of mental power or even genius, as abnormalities, might have an unfavourable effect. And so we frequently find a woman preferring a stupid, ugly, and ill-mannered man to one who is well-educated, intellectual, and agreeable. Hence, people of extremely different temperament frequently marry for love--that is to say, \_he\_ is coarse, strong, and narrow-minded, while \_she\_ is very sensitive, refined, cultured, and aesthetic, and so on; or \_he\_ is genial and clever, and \_she\_ is a goose.

"Sic visum Veneri; cui placet impares

Formas atque animos sub juga aënea

Saevo mittere cum joco."