

The girl's life had been squandered in the streets, and among the most noisome of the stews and dens of London, but there was something of the woman's original nature left in her still; and when she heard a light step approaching the door opposite to that by which she had entered, and thought of the wide contrast which the small room would in another moment contain, she felt burdened with the sense of her own deep shame, and shrunk as though she could scarcely bear the presence of her with whom she had sought this interview.

But struggling with these better feelings was pride,—the vice of the lowest and most debased creatures no less than of the high and self-assured. The miserable companion of thieves and ruffians, the fallen outcast of low haunts, the associate of the scourgings of the jails and hulks, living within the shadow of the gallows itself, — even this degraded being felt too proud to betray a feeble gleam of the womanly feeling which she thought a weakness, but which alone connected her with that humanity, of which her wasting life had obliterated so many, many traces when a very child.

Charles Dickens

الألفاظ والعبارات :

Among the most noisome of the stews and dens of London	بين أقدار المواخير والاوكار اللندنية
When she heard a light step ap- proaching the door	عندما سمعت خطى خفيفة الوقع تدنو من الباب
The wide contrast	التباين الشديد
She felt burdened with shame	شعرت بوطأة الخجل
The scouring of the jails	حشالة السجون
The gallows	المشاقق