

directed to commit to memory the brief definitions and facts contained in my smaller work, intitled "A GRAMMAR OF GEOGRAPHY." As soon as he is somewhat advanced in these definitions, he may proceed to learn the use of the globes, and thereby acquire correct and general ideas of the rationale of the earth's motion. The problems which have been introduced in that work are simple, and will be found, with the numerous examples annexed, to convey all the ideas of which the subject is susceptible.

But while the pupil is proceeding with the mechanical part of geography, the mental department should by no means be neglected. It would be frivolous to become acquainted with the size and relative situations of countries, if no useful ideas were annexed to them, and if their inhabitants, climates, productions, and curiosities, were unknown.

In order to furnish complete and ample information relative to these important and highly interesting particulars, the copious accounts of the manners, customs, and curiosities of nations have been compiled, and they contain every remarkable and entertaining fact, authentic anecdote, and interesting trait of national character, which is to be found in the most respectable books of voyages and travels, and in the voluminous works of modern geography. These illustrations are an indispensable companion to the Grammar, and they form together a complete course of geographical education. This department is accompanied by so many copper-plates, and its contents are altogether so entertaining and fascinating, that it must always be read with eagerness and delight, and be the means of giving to Geography its true character, as the most engaging as well as the most useful pursuit, in which young persons of both sexes can be employed.

In compiling the accounts of the manners, customs, curiosities, &c. of nations, the following works, among a multitude of others, have been of essential service, and may be considered as the *authorities* relative to