

circumstance in some respects favorable to freedom of the pen.—12. These may be carried on progressively beyond any assignable limits.

XIII.—1. If thou prove this to be real, thou must be a smart lad, indeed.—2. Groves are never more agreeable than in the opening of the spring.—3. He will regret his neglect of his opportunities for improvement, when it is too late.—4. Another passion which the present age is apt to run into, is a desire to make capital, to earn all things.—5. A Parenthesis is a suggestion which is introduced into the body of a sentence obliquely, and which may be omitted without injuring the grammatical construction.—6. Especially if the subject does not require so much pomp.—7. It requires few talents to which most men are not born, or which, at least, they may not acquire.—8. However, the proper mixture of light and shade in such compositions,—the exact adjustment of all the figurative circumstances with the literal sense,—has ever been found a affair of great nicety.—9. Mankind at no other time resemble one another so much as they do in the beginnings of society.—10. I shall here follow the same method that I have all along pursued.—11. Neither of them is arbitrary nor local.—12. The first thing, says he, that a writer either of fables, or of heroic poems, does, is, to choose some maxim or point of morality.

XIV.—1. There are very many causes, which disqualify a witness for being received to testify in particular cases.—2. Here are a fulness and grandeur of expression well suited to the subject.—3. That it is I, should make no difference in your determination.—4. I think it the best book that I have met with.—5. Nor was Philip wanting in his endeavors to corrupt Demosthenes, as he had corrupted most of the leading men in Greece.—6. This rule is not always observed, even by good writers, so strictly as it ought to be.—7. And adding to that hissing in our language, which is so much noticed by foreigners.—8. The crowding-together of so many objects, lessens the pleasure.—9. Lysander, having brought his army to Ephesus, erected an arsenal for the building of galleys.—10. Is this he that I am seeking, or not?—11. The Greeks, fearing to be surrounded, wheeled about and halted, with the river behind them.—12. James used to compare him to a cat, which always falls upon her legs.

XV.—1. A dispensary is a place at which medicines are dispensed to the poor.—2. Was it I or he that you requested to go?—3. Poverty turns our thoughts too much upon the supplying of our wants ;

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