

selves, "What wise conduct must there have been
 "in the employing of the time of this man! How
 "sober, how sparing in diet, how early a riser, how
 "little expensive he must have been!" These are
 the things, and *not genius*, which have caused my
 labours to be so incessant and so successful: and,
 though I do not affect to believe, that *every young
 man*, who should read this work, will become able
 to perform labours of equal magnitude and impor-
 tance, I do pretend, that *every young man*, who will
 attend to my advice, will become able to perform a
 great deal more than men generally do perform,
 whatever may be his situation in life; and, that he
 will, too, perform it with greater ease and satisfac-
 tion, than he would, without the advice, be able to
 perform the smaller portion.

7. I have had, from thousands of young men, and
 men advanced in years also, letters of thanks for the
 great benefit which they have derived from my la-
 bours. Some have thanked me for my Grammars,
 some for my Cottage-Economy, others for the Wood-
 lands and the Gardener; and, in short, for every one
 of my works have I received letters of thanks from
 numerous persons, of whom I had never heard be-
 fore. In many cases I have been told, that, if the
 parties had had my books to read some years before,
 the gain to them, whether in time or in other things,
 would have been very great. Many, and a great
 many, have told me, that, though long at school, and
 though their parents had paid for their being taught

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