

piated the sentiments of others. This man, on all occasions, treated his inferiors with great haughtiness and disdain. There can be no regularity or order in the life and conduct of that man, who does not give and allot a due share of his time to retirement and reflection. Such equivocal and ambiguous expressions mark a formed intention to deceive and abuse us. His cheerful, happy temper, remote from discontent, keeps up a kind of daylight in his mind, excludes every gloomy prospect, and fills it with a steady and perpetual serenity.

IV.—They are now engaged in a study, of which they have long wished to know the usefulness. The miserable remains were, in the night, taken down. I have settled the meaning of those pleasures of the imagination, which are the subject of my present undertaking, by way of introduction, in this paper; and endeavoured to recommend the pursuit of those pleasures to my readers by several considerations: I shall examine the several sources from which these pleasures are derived in my next paper. This morning, when one of the gay females was looking over some hoods and ribands, brought by her tirewoman, with great care and diligence, I employed no less in examining the box which contained them. As the guilt of an officer will be greater than that of a common servant, if he prove negligent; so the reward of his fidelity will proportionably be greater. Though energetic brevity is not adapted to every subject, we ought to avoid its contrary on every occasion, a languid redundancy of words: it is proper to be copious sometimes, but never to be verbose. Fields of corn form a pleasant prospect; and if the walks were a little taken care of that lie between them, they would display neatness, regularity, and elegance.

By greatness I do not only mean the bulk of any single object, but the largeness of a whole view. Sixtus the Fourth was, if I mistake not, a great collector of books at the least. We do those things frequently, which we repent of afterwards. By doing the same thing it often becomes habitual. Ruined to greatness without merit, he employed his power for the gratification of his passions. These are the master's rules, who must be obeyed. It is true what he says, but it is not applicable to the point. We no where meet with a more splendid or pleasing show in nature, than what appears in