

Theodore still held the hand, so solemnly bestowed on him. "Evelina," said he, in a low voice, "you are indeed mine, and nought on earth shall part us."

At this moment, Cato entered with Doctor Gurther, who honestly declared that Mr. de Clermont had received no material injury. Aunt Martha had therefore the satisfaction to receive them the next morning; and the pleasure of the benevolent spinster was greatly heightened, when informed by her brother of the relation in which Theodore now stood with Evelina.

In a very short time Mr. de Clermont was perfectly recovered, when very active preparations were commenced for the wedding. Fair-Valley-house underwent many repairs, and every thing was arranged with great taste, for the reception of the young couple, who took possession of it, immediately on their marriage.

Aunt Martha accompanied the bride to her new mansion, and with dignified composure assisted her niece to receive the congratulatory visits of their friends and neighbors. But, in a short time, the good lady returned home, again to take the superintendance of her brother's house, while they mutually contributed to each other's comfort and happiness.

Ephraim and Martha Marvin, had indeed found a resting place in this world, and possessing every sublunary comfort, their hope and expectations were no longer for this world; although they enjoyed its good things, with moderation and thankfulness. But their most earnest desire was to secure an entrance in that country, "where moth doth not corrupt, nor thieves break through and steal."

The execution of the proposed canal has greatly enhanced the value of their property, and Mr. de