

inculcations naturally corroborate with a love of the marvelous. The following inquiries are therefore offered to the public consideration, with a sincere hope that the good intentions with which they are offered, will sufficiently compensate for any ambiguity or any imperfection of a first attempt. And it may suffice to offer no other apology for intruding upon the public than that I conceive it incumbent upon every one who feels to do good, to do so ; and to exert every power to add something to the stock of knowledge ; yet I am uninclined to presume to offer any thing new to the already enlightened and learned. But my intentions are merely to offer an easy means of giving a just direction to the thoughts and reflections of the youth who are yet in the pursuit of knowledge.

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