

never allow them to deprive us of the smallest degree of my resignation and confidence.

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To be meek towards events does not imply that we should await them with that stoic firmness which is a consequence of pride, nor that we bear up against them so far as to repress every sigh, no !

But God permits us to prevent them, to remove them, to shun them if possible, to relieve them, at least to alleviate them.

And this kind Father, at the very hour in which he sends them as *messengers of justice*, sends also the means to render them supportable and even frequently to *avoid* them.

Remedies in sickness,

Friendship in sorrows of the heart,

Devotedness, in privations,

Consolation in dejection,

Tears in grief,

It is God who created all these,