## INTRODUCTION.

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continued sale, and the last unquestionably the book of greatest circulation in the whole world, the Bible only excepted; having, during these same twentynine years, of troubles and embarrassments without number, introduced into England the manufacture of Strawplat; also several valuable trees; having introduced, during the same twenty-nine years, the cultivation of the Corn-plant so manifestly valuable as a source of food ; having, during the same period, always (whether in exile or not) sustained a shop of some size, in London ; having, during the whole of the same period, never employed less, on an average, than ten persons, in some capacity or other, exclusive of printers, bookbinders, and others, conneeted with papers and books; and having, during these twenty-nine years of troubles, embarrassments, prisons, fines, and banishments, bred up a family of seven children to man's and woman's state.

5. If such a man be not, after he has survived and accomplished all this, qualified to give Advice to Young Men, no man is qualified for that task. There may have been natural genius: but genius alone, not all the genius in the world, could, without something more, have conducted me through these perils. During these twenty-nine years, I have had for deadly and ever-watchful foes, a government that has the collecting and distributing of sixty millions of pounds in a year, and also, every soul who shares in that distribution. Until very lately, I have had, for the far greater part of the time, the whole of the

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