

ey are acknow- let him, therefore who retains any sense of human-
 are not traduc- nity ; who feels within him that desire of honor
 that speaks to which is congenial to man, aspire to the gratification of
 language which passion by methods which are worthy of his nature.
 every clime, that him not rest on any of those external distinctions
 one sentiment which vanity has contrived to introduce. These can
 cure him no more than the semblance of respect.—
 and virtue let him not be flattered by the applause which some oc-
 not in the est- sional display of abilities may have gained him.—
 God ; who at applause may be mingled with contempt. Let him
 ht ; whose ap- k to what will dignify his character as a man: Let
death not awa cultivate those moral qualities which all men in their
 is limited and arts respect. *Wisdom shall then give to his head an*
ament of grace ; a crown of glory shall she deliver to
h. This is an honor to which all may aspire. It is
 the whole pro- prize, for which every one, whether of high or low
 man into a fu- rank, may contend. It is always in his power so to dis-
 oughout eter- tinguish himself by worthy and virtuous conduct, as to
 n earch, that command the respect of those around him ; and, what
 bly of angels highest of all, to obtain praise and honor from God.
 re, we are a Let no one imagine that in the religious part of this
 reousness that character there is any thing which casts over it a gloomy
d as the star shade, or derogates from that esteem which men are ge-
 both short li- rally disposed to yield to exemplary virtues. False i-
 last, tarnish- as may be entertained of religion ; as false and imper-
 or other, the- fect conceptions of virtue have often prevailed in the
 is humbled world. But to true religion there belongs no sullen
 od, and vi- boom ; no melancholy austerity, tending to withdraw
 which is deri- ven from human society, or to diminish the exertions of
 pture, to the tive virtue. On the contrary, the religious principle,
even a morn rightly understood, not only unites with all such virtues,
eth more an at supports, fortifies, and confirms them. It is so far
 honors which from obscuring the lustre of a character, that it height-
 nd twinkling- ens and ennobles it. It adds to all the moral virtues a
 by the firm- venerable and authoritative dignity. It renders the vir-
 a dies total- tuous character more august. To the decorations of a
 place, it joins the majesty of a temple.
 He who divides religion from virtue, understands nei-
 ther the one, nor the other. It is the union of the two