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Virtues, but even the Vices of Men contribute to work his Pleafure. The Love of Conquest, and Thirft of Power, were Motives in the Breaft of Cyrus for making War, and extending his Dominions, but these Passions were calculated for the Accomplishment of a Plan he never thought of, and as defigned, became the Means, by which the enflaved People of God procured their Liberty, obtained Privileges, and re-eftablished their long neglected Government, and publick Worfhip. Thus was it the Voice of God, as well as of Ambition, which drew Cyrus into the Field, and made him Conqueror of the World; and thus, a Man's Heart may devise his Way, but the Lord directeth his Steps. But,

Though God over-rules, yet he does not arbitrarily controul the Powers of Man; and human Conduct is fo far from being excluded from