

the British fort, in whose charge we were kept, might put to the blush, the rudest savage, who traverses the western wild. Their conduct illy comported with what might be expected from men, who are favored with the light of revelation.

The savage, when he does a deed of charity towards his prisoner, is no doubt, less liable to be actuated by a selfish principle, and influenced by the hope of reward, or by a fear of losing his reputation, than he is, who has been made acquainted with the gracious reward offered to those who "do unto others as they would that others should do unto them," and knows the bitter consequences of the contrary practice.

And, I think, the destruction of Royaltou, and all its evil consequences, may, with less propriety, be attributed to the brutal malevolence of the savage tribe, than to the ignoble treachery, and despicable fanaticism of certain individuals of our own nation.

Scarce can that man be found in this enlightened country, who would treat his enemy with as much tenderness and compassion, as I was treated by the savage tribe; though I had abundant cause to say, that the "tender mercies of the wicked, are cruel."

Who would not shudder at the idea of being compelled to take up their abode with a herd of tawny savages? Yet, alas! when I contrasted the sufferings I endured, while with