

our silk weavers; and the Chinese our potters. Meekness controls our angry passions; candour our severe judgments.

IX. The poet says that anger is a short madness. Ovid says that it is a sort of pleasure to weep. Swift observes that no wise man, ever wished himself younger. It is written by Solomon that the wise shall inherit glory. It is remarked by Pope that fools have an itching to deride. It is an ancient saying that history is philosophy, teaching by example. Hannibal acted upon the maxim that the Romans could be conquered only at Rome.

### 21ST EXERCISE.

#### *Semicolon.*

I. The Dutch have a saying that thefts never enrich, alms never impoverish, prayers hinder no work. The most remarkable precious stones are the diamond which is colourless and transparent, the sapphire blue, the topaz yellow, the amethyst purple, and the garnet a deep red. The first nations who paid attention to architecture were the Babylonians who built the Temple of Belus and the hanging gardens, the Assyrians who filled Nineveh with splendid buildings, the Phœnicians whose cities were adorned with magnificent structures, and the Israelites whose temple was considered wonderful. There are tears for his love joy for his fortune honor for his valor and death for his ambition.

II. His manner was humble, but his spirit was haughty. When the righteous are in authority the people rejoice, but when the wicked beareth rule the people mourn. The duty of a soldier is to obey his general; not to direct him. Your enemies may be formidable by their numbers and their power, but He who is with you is mightier than they.

III. Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted. Mary was impatient of contradiction, because she had been accustomed from her infancy to be treated as a queen. Too much anxiety to avoid evils often brings them upon us, and we frequently cause misfortunes by the very efforts we make to escape them. A great advantage in the manufacture of almost every article is the division of labor for when each man has only one thing to do he soon acquires great neatness and proficiency in the performance.

### 22ND EXERCISE.

#### *Colon.*

I. Choose what is most fit, custom will make it most agreeable. I do not repine at my condition, it is the decree of Heaven. Guard with vigilance against the habit of procrastination, nothing is more injurious to success in life. The origin of a virtuous and happy life is derived from early years whoever would reap happi-