

no having failed himself, by others. His failure from his want of talent, his heart would wish his degradation, lest his could be established by the careful character, certainly no means rare. Envy,anness of soul, always stable as when it shows

young friend (and I ten-advise,) if you find this which the poet calls "the find it creeping into to banish it at once and there, farewell to all enabled you to do, and to

It has pleased God to n of talent, of industry, city to labour, of all distinction. We have not a no fault in you that na- you, and surely, it is no you punish him on ac- ut, of his pre-eminence! k you will settle with u will, as to public mat- good humour, though the moved from the first; you of your abilities others, instance, may happen to ot suffer even the con- y of your own superior y thing which might by your country's cause; er the aggressions of ig- and even the blackest of by resenting these you

endanger the general good; and, above all things, you will have the justice to bear in mind, that that country which gave you birth, is, to the last hour of your capability, entitled to your exertions in her behalf, and that you ought not, by acts of commission or of omission, to visit upon her the wrongs which may have been inflicted on you by the envy and malice of individuals. Love of one's native soil is a feeling which nature has implanted in the human breast, and that has always been peculiarly strong in the breasts of Englishmen. God has given us a country of which to be proud, and that freedom, greatness and renown, which were handed down to us by our wise and brave forefathers, bid us perish to the last man, rather than suffer the land of their graves to become a land of slavery, impotence and dishonour.

355. In the words with which I concluded my English Grammar, which I addressed to my son James, I conclude my advice to you. "With English and French on your tongue and in your pen, you have a resource, not only greatly valuable in itself, but a resource that you can be deprived of by none of those changes and chances which deprive men of pecuniary possessions, and which, in some cases, make the purse-proud man of yesterday a crawling sycophant to-day. Health, without which life is not worth having, you will hardly fail to secure by early rising, exercise, sobriety, and abstemiousness as to food. Happiness, or misery, is in the mind. It is the mind that lives; and the length of life ought to be measured by the number and importance of our ideas, and not by the number of our days. Never, therefore, esteem men merely on account of their riches or their station. Respect goodness, find it where you may. Honour talent wherever you behold it unassociated with vice; but, honour it most when accompanied with exertion, and especially when exerted in the cause of truth and justice; and, above all things, hold it