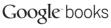
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But then, it has been supposed, even by Men of Learning, that the English Tongue is too vague and untrastable to be reduced to any certain Standard, or Rules of Construction; and that a competent Knowledge of it cannot be attained without an Acquaintance with the Latin.

For my Part, I hope these Gentlemen are mistaken, because this would be an invincible Obstacle to the Progress of an English Education.

This vulgar Error, for so I beg Leave to call it, might perhaps arise from a too partial Fondness for the Latin; in which, about two Centuries ago, we had the Service of the Church, the Translation of the Bible, and most other Books; few, of any Value,

Value, being then extant in our Mother Tongue,

But now the Case is happily altered. Nor do I think the Error above-mentioned would have been so long indulged under the Blessings of the Resormation, had it not been for the many fruitless Attempts which have been made to six the Grammatical Construction of the English Tongue.

Many Gentlemen, who have written on this Subject, have too inconfiderately adopted various Distinctions of the learned Languages, which have no Existence in our own: Many, on the other Hand, convinced of this Impropriety, have been too brief, or at least too general, in their Desinitions and Rules, running into

into the quite opposite Extreme: And most of them, I think, have too much neglected the Peculiarities of the Language on which they wrote.

These Considerations have induced me to suffer the following little Manuel to appear amongst my Friends, in the Manner it now does. How far it may answer the End proposed, I must leave them to determine. If it has any Merit, it must be found in Conciseness, Connection, and Application to the proper Genius of our Mother Tongue.

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Thus recommended, it has been well received by the Public; and this Circumstance has induced the Author to revise the original Copy, to which he has now made some Amendments and Additions, which,

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be flatters himself, will render it more acceptable and useful to those Gentlemen and Ladies, who may think proper to make Trial of it in their Schools or Families.

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AN

INTRODUCTION

TO THE

GRAMMATICAL INSTITUTES.

Of the ALPHABET*, and the Sounds of the Letters.

THE English Alphabet confits of twenty-six Letters, viz. a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z.

^{*} From alpha, beta, the first two Greek Letters.

Six of these Letters, viz. a, e, i, e, u, y, are called Vowels, from Vox, a Voice or Sound, because they make distinct sounds of themselves.

All the Letters in the Alphabet, except the Vowels, viz. b, c, d, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, p, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, z, are called Confonants, from confono, to found together; because they cannot be founded without some Vowel joined to them.

Each of the Vowels has at least three distinct Sounds; the broad or full, the narrow or slender, and the middle or intermediate, which will more fully appear from the following Tables

Vow.	Broad.	Mid.	Narrow.
A.	all	an	Ale ·
E.	them	her	. me
I.	bind	Bird	Bill
O. .	Tom	Ton Ton	neTom b
U.	นร	Uſe	Rule
Y.	by	Physic	Bully

In

In the above Sounds we may observe the following Similarities.

	broad broad	}	all	Tom	
i. o. u.	mid. mid. broad	}	Bird	Ton	us
e. i. y.	nar. nar. nar.	}	me	Bill	Bully
	broad broad	}	bind	b y	
e. u.	nar. nar.	}	Tomb	Rule	

Λ.

A is broad in most Words before id, lk, ll, and lt; as, tald, walk, Wall, Altar: It has likewise the broad Sound, for the most Part, between w and r, or t; as War, Water.

A is narrow in all Words or Syllables that are lengthened by the final e; as, Babe, Blade, Fate, relate: It is likewise narrow in all words compounded with ation; as, Salvation, Relation.

In most other Words the middle Sound prevails.

E.

E is for the most Part narrow when it ends a Word; as, Epitome, Apostrophe, me, he, she, be; as likewise in all Words compounded with be; as, below, bespeak.

E has most commonly the middle Sound when it ends a Syllable, or is not joined in Pronunciation to the following Consonants; as, Lever, Fever, elope, escape.

When E is joined to the following Confonants, it is generally pronounced broader; as, fell, let, bend.

1. I is

I.

I is always broad when the Syllable in which it occurs is made long by the final e; as, Pine, Bite, Lime Alfo generally when it goes before gh, gn, ld, mb, and nd; as, Sight, Sign, mild, climb, find.

The *middle* Sound of the *I* is used before *rd*; as, *Bird*, *third*, and occurs but feldom.

I is narrow when pronounced flort with a following Contonant; as, Pin, Sin, Mill, till.

o.

O has the fecond middle Sound when the Syllable in which it stands is lengthened by the final e; as, Toe, Doe, Lobe, Robe. For the other Sounds of this Letter, perhaps no certain Rules can be given.

IJ.

The broad Sound of the U is used, when joined in Pronunciation to the following Consonant; as, unto, upon, Gun, Pun.

The middle Sound prevails in those Words that are lengthered by the final e; as, Mule, mute, refuse, abuse.

U is narrow when it comes after r, and is pronounced long, or not immediately joined to the following Confonant; as, rude, Ruby, Ruin.

Υ.

Y, at the End of a Word of one Syllable, or such as are accented on the last syllable, is broad; as, Sky, fly, try, comply: But in the end of words of more than one Syllable, and not accented on the last, it is generally narrow; as, possibly, Folly, Poverty.

All Vow. is, when pronounced short and negligently with a following Conformat,

fonant, in a Syllable not accented, have nearly the same Sound; as, Altar, alter, Manor, Murmur, Satyr.

Of DIPHTHONGS*.

HEN two Vowels meet in the fame Syllable, they make what is called a Diphthong.

There are no less than twenty Diphthongs in the English Language; which with their Sounds are expressed in the following Tables:

Diph.	Broad	Midále	Narr. S.
aa.	Balaam	Ifaac	
ai.	Praise		
au.	Author	Aunt	Gauge
aw,	Awl		
ay.	fay		
ca.	Beam	Bread	Heart
ce.	fee		
ci.	Vein	•	eight
co.	George	Leopard	People
eu.		•	Feud
ew.			few
ey.	Eye	٠	Key

^{*} From dis, twice, Phihanges, a Sound,

Diph.

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Narr. S. Broad Middle Diph. Chief Cathier Friend ie. Roat oa. Oil oi. Food Floor Flood 00. could Couple Soul ou. now mow ow: convoy oy. Fruit build Guide ni.

To these we may add ae and se which are used only in words derived from the Latin and Greek: as, Casfar, Phæbe; and chiesly retained in proper Names.

When three Vowels meet together in a Syllable, they make a Triphthong, as, quaint Beauty/ uai. eau. quealy Eye uea. cyc. queer Lieu uee. icu. young View you. Unless y at the Beginning of Syllables be a Confonant, which fome Authors will not allow it to be in any Case whatfoever.

Here we may observe, that though the Vowels and Diphthongs, and the Words in which their different Sounds occur. occur, are so numerous, yet, perhaps, there are not many more than a Dozen full and distinct Vowel Sounds in the English Language; which, I think, will appear to any one who carefully consults the foregoing Tables.

Of CONSONANTS.

C.

C has two Modifications, the hard, and the foft; as, cull, Cell.

C is always hard, like K, before a, o, u, and all Confonants, and at the End of Syllables or Words; as, call, Coal, cut, accost, public: But fost, like S, before e, i, and y; as, cease, Cit, Cypress.

G.

G has likewise a hard and a soft Modification; as, Gun, Gin.

G is hard before a, o, u, and all Confonants, and at the End of Words; as, gat, got, Gut, glad, Jug.

B₃ Bigitized by GOOGLE G is

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G is for the most Part soft before e, i, and y; as, Gem, Gill, Clergy: But all proper Names in the Bible have G hard before e and i; as Gera, Gilboah. G is likewise hard in many English Words before e and i; as, Geese, gold, get, Gear, Girl, give, giddy, Dagger, Anger: And in many more which may be supplied by Observation.

Ch.

Ch has one hard, and two foft Modifications; as, Baruch (Baruck) Arch, Chaise (Shaise). The first prevails in Words of Hebrew and Greek Original, and the last in such as come from the French.

Ph.

Ph, when joined in the same Syllable, is sounded like F; as, $A \int aph$, Elephant.

S.

S has two Modifications, a sharp and a flat; as, this, these. The flat Sound prevails in the End of all Words made plural,

plural, or otherwise increased by the Addition of s; as, Pins, Foxes, lives.

Th.

Th has likewise a sharp and a stat Sound; as, thin, thine.

Ti.

Ti before a Vowel is frequently foftened down to fb; as, Station, in which the Sound of the i is nearly, if not quite, lost.

W.

Win Diphthongs and Triphthongs, as in few, View, must be a Vowel: But in other Cases, especially at the Beginning of Words, it must be a Consonant; as, We, William.

Of the POINTS or STOPS, and other Characters made Use of in Writing.

Comma, [,] denoting perhaps, especially in long Sentences, a little Elevation of the Voice, is the

fhortest Pause, and may be held while you count one.

A Semicolon [;] denoting for the most Part an Evenness of the Voice, may be held while you count two.

A Colon [:] marks a little Depreffion of the Voice, and requires a Paule while you count three.

A Period or full Stop [.] denotes a yet greater Depression of the Voice than a Colon, and may be held while you count four.

A Note of Interrogation [?] requiring as long a Pause as a full Stop, is placed at the End of a Question, and denotes an Elevation of the Voice, and rather a Smartness in the Pronunciation.

A Note of Admiration or Exclamation [!] which requires also as long a Pause as a full Step, is used after a Word or Sentence that expresses Surprise or Emotion, and denotes a Modulation of the Voice suited to the Expression. An Apostrophe ['] marked by a Comma at the Top of a Letter, shews some Letter or Letters to be there left out; as, lov'd for loved, can't for cannot.

A Quotation ['-' or "-"] marked by inverted Commas, includes a Passage taken from some Author, or spoken by some other Person.

A Diæresis or Dialysis ["] marked by two Dots over the latter of two Vowels, shews that what would otherwise be a Diphthong, must be divided into two distinct Syllables; as, Agesilaüs, Danaë.

A Hyphen [-] is used to join the Syllables of a Word together, especially such as are partly in one Line and partly in another; as, la-bor, befet. It serves also to compound two different Words into one; as, all-powerful, self-rewarded.

A Caret [A] denotes an Interlineation, and shews where to bring in what

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what had been omitted in writing. The same Mark when placed over a Vowel is called a Circumflex, and shews that such Vowel is to be founded long; as, Euphrâtes, Aristobûlus.

An Ellipsis [--- or —] shews that Part of a Word or Sentence is left out by Design; as, K—g for King; before I go hence—

An Accent ['] placed over a Letter shews where the Stress or Force of a Word lies; as, con'stant, beset.

A Parenthesis () to be avoided as much as possible, is used to include some short Sentence within the Body of a larger one, which though not necessary to the Sense, yet should serve to explain or illustrate it.

Brackets or Crotchets [] are applied nearly to the same Purpose as a Parenthesis; and they are also used to include a Reference to some Book or Part of some Book.

A Paragraph [¶] is feldom used except in the Bible, and points out the Beginning of a new Subject.

A Section [§] is used to divide Books or Chapters into smaller Parts. Sometimes it serves also as a Mark of Reference to a Note.

An Index or Hand [] points to Something remarkable, that should be particularly noticed.

An Afterisk [*], a Dagger or Obelisk [†], a double Dagger [‡], parallel Lines [||], &c. direct to some Note or Remark in the Margin, or at the Bottom of the Page.

A Brace [] couples Words or Lines together, that have a Relation to the fame Thing; and is chiefly used in Poetry, where three Lines

rhyme alike.

Directions for writing CAPITALS.

Capitals or great Letters must never be written in the Middle or at the End

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of any Word, but only at the Beginning, and in the following Cases:

At the Beginning of any Book, Chapter, Paragraph, Writing, Letter, or Discourse: At the Beginning of a new Sentence, after a Period or full Stop: At the Beginning of any Speech, notable Saying, or Quotation, though a full Stop does not immediately precede it: At the Beginning of all proper Names or Special Titles of Persons, Places, or Things: At the Beginning of the Names of the Trinity, or any Word or Term that signifies God: At the Beginning of every Line in Poetry, and every Verse in the Bible: In the Pronoun I, and the Interjection O.

Some Authors, even of the first Eminence, choose to begin every Substantive with a Capital; some, the next Word after a Colon; and others, remarkable Adjectives, and such as are put absolutely: But this Method of writing is at present but very little followed.

GRAMMATICAL INSTITUTES: .

OR,

GRAMMAR*,

ADAPTED TO

THE ENGLISH TONGUE.

1. N English there are ten Kinds of Words or Parts of Speech, viz.

Article, Noun, Adjective, Pronoun, Verb, Participle, Adverb, Conjunction, Preposition, and Interjection.

* From the Greek Word Gramma, a Letter: And is the Art of expressing our Thoughts with Propriety, either in Speaking or Writing.

Of

Of an ARTICLE*.

2. A N Article is a Part of Speech fet before Nouns to fix their vague Signification: as, a Man, the Man; an, House, the House. The Articles are, an, a, and the.

Of a NOUNt.

- 3. A Noun, or Substantive, is the Name of any Person, Place, or Thing: as, John, London, Honor, Goodness.
- 4. There are two Numbers: The Singular, which speaks of one; as, a Man. a Troop: and the Plural, which speaks of more than one; as, Men, Troops.
- 5. The Plural is usually formed by adding s to the Singular: as, Noun, Nouns; Verb, Verbs.
 - * From the Latin Word Articulus, a Joint, or small Part.
 - † From Nomen, a Name.

6. When

- 6. When the Singular ends in o, s, x, ch, or sh, the Piural is formed by adding the Syllable es: as, Cargo, Cargoes; Miss, Misses; Box, Boxes; Peach, Peaches; Brush, Brushes.
- 7. When the Singular ends in f, or fe, the Plural is formed by changing the f, or fe, into ves: as, Half, Halves; Life, Lives: except Dwarf, Grief, Hoof, &c. which take s only to make the Plural. Words that end in ff make the Plural likewife by adding s only: as, Muff, Muffs; Bailiff, Bailiffs; except Staff, which makes Staves.
- 8. When the Singular ends in y, or ey, the Plural is formed by changing the y, or ey, into ies; as, Lady, Ladies; Valley, Vallies: except Alley, Alleys; Convoy, Convoys; Covey, Coveys.
- 9. Sometimes the Plural is formed by adding the Syllable en; as, Ox, Oxen: fometimes by changing the Vowel; as, Man, Men: and fometimes by changing the Vowels and Conforants; as, Penny, Pence; Moufe, Mice.

C 2 10. Some

- no. Some few Words, coming immediately from the Hebrew, form the Poural by adding im, or in, to the Singular: as, Cherub, Cherubim, or Cherubin; Seraph, Seraphim, or Seraphin. Some from the Greek, ending in on, change the on into a: as, Phænomenon, Phænomena. Some, from the Latin in us, change the us into i: as, Radius, Radii; Magus, Magi.
- as, Wheat, &c. others no Singular; as, Ashes, &c. and some are the same in both Numbers; as, Sheep, &c.
- 12. There are two Genders*; the Masculinet, and the Femininet.
- 13. The Masculine denotes the He-kind: as, a Man; a Prince.
- 14. The Feminine denotes the Shekind: as, a Woman; a Princess.

^{*} From Genus, a Sex or Kind.

⁺ From Mas, the Male-kind.

I From Femina, a Woman.

- 15. Nouns fignifying Things without Life, are properly of no Gender: as, a Pen; a Table.
- 16. By a common Figure in the English Tongue, the Sun is of the Masculine; the Moon, the Church, Ships, and frequently Countries and Virtues, such as France, Spain, Faith, Hope, &c. are of the feminine Gender.
- 17. Here likewise it may be necesfary to observe,

Masculine.	Fem	inine.
Abbot	Abbei	S
Actor	Actress	
Adulterer	Adulteress	
Ambassador	Ambassadress	
Administrator	Administratrix	
Baron	Baroness	
Bachelor	Maid	•
Boar	Sow	
Boy	Girl	
Bridegroom	Bride*	
Brother	Sifter	
Buck	Doe	
Bull	Cow	
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Masc.	Fem.
Bullock	Heifer
Cock	Hen
Count	Countess
Duke	Dutchess
Dog	4 Bitch
Deacon	Deaconess
Drake	Duck
Elector	Electress
Executor	Executrix
Emperor	Empress`
Father	Mother
Friar	Nun
Governor	Governess
Gander	Goole
Husband	Wife
Horse	Mare
* M eir	Heires
Hunter	Huntrefs
´ Jew	Jewels
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Lord	Lady
Lad	Lass ·
Lion	Lioness
Marquis	Marchioness
Man	Woman
Master	- Mistress,
- Milter	Spawner
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Masc. Fem. Nephew Niece Prince Princes Prophetess Prophet Poetels Poet Patron Patroness Ram Ewe Son Daughter Stag Hind - Shepherd > Shepherdess Tutor Tutoress Vicount + Vilcountels Uncle Aunt Widow Widower Wizard +Witch Whore Whoremonger

18. Nouns have two Cases; the Nominitive*, and the Genitive*. The genitive Case is formed by adding s, with an Apostrophe, to the Nominative: as, Men, Men's; Ox, Ox's.

* From nominativus (à nomino), naming

NOTE 18. In the Formation of this Case, I have

⁺ From genitivus (à gigno), natural or belonging to, and therefore some Authors have called it the possessione Case.

I have complied with a late Refinement, and what I really think a corrupt Custom. The genitive Case, in my Opinion, might be much more properly formed by adding s, or, when the Pronunciation requires it, es, without an Apostrophe: as Men, Mens; Ox, Oxes; Horse, Horses; As, As, Asses.

This Case undoubtedly came from the Saxon; and the best English Writers after the Norman Conquest, even down to the Time of Chaucer and the Reformation, formed it just in the same Manner they did the piural Number, viz. by the Addition of s, es, or is, and were rather sparing in the Use of it. After that the is and es were discontinued by Degrees, though the latter, in a few Instances, is retained to this Day in the Version of the Bible.

As to the Apostrophe, it was seldom used to distinguish the genitive Case till about the Beginning of the present Century, and then seems to have been introduced by Mistake. At that Time the genitive Case was supposed to have had its Original from a Contraction; as, John's Book, for John bis Book : But that Notion has been sufficiently exploded: And therefore the Use of the Apostrophe, especially in those Instances where the Pronunciation requires an additional Syllable, is, I presume, quite indefensible. To write Ox's, Ass's, Fox's, and at the same Time pronounce it Oxes, Asses, Foxes, is such a Departure from the original Formation, at least in Writing, and such an inconfistent Use of the Apostrophe, as cannot be equalled

equalled perhaps in any other Language; and though it may be faid that the Apostrophe has some Propriety as a Note of Distinction, yet no one, I think, who has any Knowledge of Grammar, can well mistake the plural Number for the genitive Case. However, it appears to me, at present, to be a Distinction of very little Importance. Formerly there were Notes used to distinguish the ablative Case singular of Latin Neurs of the first Declension, and the genitive of the fourth, which are now laid aside by correct Writers; and I cannot but think that, some time or other, this will be the Fate of the Apostrophe in the genitive Case.

Of an ADJECTIVE*.

19. A N Adjective is a Word that fignifies the Quality of any Person, Place, or Thing: as, a good Man; a great City; a fine House.

20. Most Adjectives have, at least, two Degrees of Comparison; which are commonly called the Comparative and the Superlative.

^{*} From ad, to, and jacio, to put.

- 21. The Comparative is formed, for the most Part, by adding er to the Positive: as, long, longer; short, shorter: The Superlative, by adding est: as, long, longest, &c.
- 22. These Degrees of Comparison are frequently formed by the Adwerbs, very, infinitely, more, most, less, least: as, more short, very, most, or infinitely short; less common, least common, &c.
- 23. There are a few Adjectives peculiar in their Comparison: as, good, better, best; bad, worse, worst, &c.

Of a PRONOUN*.

24. A Pronoun is a Word used inflead of a Noun, to avoid the too frequent Repetition of the same

NOTE. 21. Long is the positive State of the Adjective; and therefore, as many Authors observe, cannot be properly called a Step or Degree.

* From pro, for, and Nomen, a Noun.

Word:

Word: as, "The Man is merry, he laughs, he fings."

25. The following Promuns (it only excepted) have three Cases, Nominative, Genitive, and Accusative*, in each Number.

Sing.
Nom. I

Gen. mine, my
Acc. me
Nom. Thou
Gen. thine, thy
Acc. thee

Nom. Thou
yours, your

Singular.

Nom. Gen. Acc:
He his him
She hers, her her
It its

* From accuse, to accuse, because this Case seceives the Force or Accusation of the Verb.

NOTE 25. Some Grammarians would have mine, thine, ours, yours, &c., to be the only genitive

Plural.

Nom. Gen. Acc.
They theirs, their them.

26. Who, whosever, and the pronominal Adjectives, one, other, and another, are thus varied.

Singular and Plural.

Nom. Gen. Acc.
Who whose whom
whosever whosesever whomsever

	Sing.	Plu.
Nom.	Gen.	1
One	ones	ones
other	others	1
another	anothers	other, others

nitive Cases of the primitive Pronouns; and my, thy, &c. to be pronominal Adjectives derived from them: But as his and its, which are confessedly genitive Cases, are joined to Nouns, as well as my, thy, &c. I thought best to range them as I have done above, and shall provide for the proper Use of each Variation in the Rules of Syntax.

27. The following have,

Sing.	Plu.
This	thefe
that	thofe
myself, oneself, ourself	ourfelves
thyself, yourself	yourselves
himself, herself, itself	themselves

28. Those that follow are further distinguished by their Genders.

Masc.	Fem.	No Gender.
Masc. He	fhe	it
his	hers	its
him	her	
himfelf	herfelf	itself

29. Pronominal Adjectives, such as ten, forty, fifty, &c. and some others, seem to have a genitive Case regularly formed by adding s to the Nominative: as, ten, tens.

NOTE. The other Pronouns, which, what, &c. have no Variation.

Of a VERB.*

30. A Verb is a Word that fignifies the Action or Being of a Perfon, Place, or Thing: as, the Man calls; the City flands; the Tree falls; I am.

31. The Verb that fignifies merely Being is Neuter: as, I am; he is. Verbs that fignify Doing are Active: as, I speak the Word; I wrote the Letter. Verbs that express Something suffered or sustained by the Object, are Passive: as, I am loved; Hannibal was conquered at last.

* From Verbum, a Word; a Verb being the principal Word in a Sentence.

NOTE 31. Properly speaking, there is no passive Verb in the English Language; for though I am loved, is commonly called a passive Verb, yet loved is no part of the Verb, but a Participle, or Adjective, derived of the Verb, love.

I am very fensible that the greatest Man,* perhaps, that ever yet wrote on this Subject,

^{*} Dr. Lowth, followed by Buchanan.

32. The Noun or Pronoun that stands before the active Verbs in the above Examples, may be called the Agent, and that which stands before the neuter, the Subject of the Verb: But the Noun or Pronoun that follows the active Verbs,

is of a different Opinion. He savs, "There are three Kinds of Verbs; active, passive, and neuter." And when he comes to the grammatical Resolution of this Sentence, "In whom I am well pleased," he tells us—
"That am is the indicative Mode, present "Time, and first Person singular of the neuter Verb, to be; well, an Adverb; pleased, the passive participle of the Verb, to please, making with the auxiliary Verb, am, a possive Verb." The Consideration of this, I must consess, could by no Means induce me to suppress the above Note.

In Parfing, every Word should be considered as a distinct Part of Speech: For though two or more Words may be united to form a Mode, a Tense, or a Comparison; yet it seems quite improper to unite two or more Words to make a Noun, a Verb, an Adjective, &c.

Verbs intransative, or such as do not pass over or convey their Force to any Object, as sleep, walk, run, &c. are commonly, though perhaps not very properly, called neuter Verbs.

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in the fame Examples, may be called the Object of the Verb.

- 33. There are four Modes,* or Ways of using the Verb; the Indicative, the Imperative, the Potential, and the Infinitive.
- 34. The *Indicative* t expresses the Action or Being, directly and absolutely: as, I am; he loves.
- 35. The Imperative t commands or forbids: as, come; go; fear him; love him.
- 36. The Potential & expresses the Action or Being, as possible or impossible, fit or unfit: as, I may love; I may not love.
 - * From Modus, a Manner.

+ From indico, to flew.

I From impere, to command.

§ From potentialis (à possum), to be able.

Note 36. This Mode or Form of the Verb does not, I think, in any Case coincide with the Indicative. It always has some Respect to the Power, Will, &c. of the Agent, by which,

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- 37. The Infinitive* expresses the Action or Being, indeterminately: as, to be; to love.
- 38. There are five Tenses, or Times; the Present, the Impersect, the Persect, the Plupersect, and the Future.
- 39. The Prefent Tense expresses the Time that now is: as, I love, or, am loving.
- 40. The Imperfect denotes the Time past indeterminately: as, I loved, or was loving.
- 41. The Perfect denotes the Time past determinately: as, I have loved, or, have been loving.

even when Conditionality is out of the Question, it is distinguished from the merely declarative Form: The one declares the Action done, or to be done, without any further Confideration; the other declares not the Action done, or to be done, but the Ability, Inability, &c. of the Agent to perform that Action; and is therefore properly stiled the potential Mode.

From infinitious, without Bounds.

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- 42. The Pluperfest denotes the Time past, as prior to some other point of Time specified in the Sentence: as, I had loved, or had been loving.
- 43. The Future denotes the Time to come: as, I will or shall love, or, will or shall be loving.

NOTE 43. These Formations of the several Tenses seem to have Respect both to the Time and State of the Action fignified by the Verb. The present Tense denotes the Time that now is, and the Action unfinished: as, I write, or I am now writing, the Letter. The Imperfell denotes the Time past indeterminately, and the Action to have been completed at any past Time that may be specified: as, I wrote the Letter, or I began and finished the Writing of the Letter, this Morning, Yesterday, a Week ago, &c. The Perfett denotes the Time just past, and the Action fully completed: as, I have written the Letter, or I have just now finished the Writing of the Letter. The Pluperfed denotes the Time paft, and the Action to bave been completed prior to some other Circumstance specified in the Sentence: as, I had written the Letter, or I had finished the Writing of the Letter, before you came in. The Future denotes the Time to come, and the Action to be completed at any future Time that may be mentioned: as, I will write the Letter, or I will . begin and finish the Writing of the Letter, tonight, to-morrow, &c.

- 44. These Modes and Tenses are partly formed by the Verb itself, and partly by the Assistance of Signs.
- 45. There are two Modes formed from the Verb itself: The Indicative; as, I love: and the Imperative; as, love thou.
- 46. The auxiliary* Signs are to, do, did, have, had, shall, will, may, can, must, might, would, could, should.
- 47. To, is a Sign of the infinitive Mode; as, to be; to love.
- 48. May, can, must, might, would, could, should, and their Inflections, t mayest, canst, mightest, wouldest or wouldst, couldest or couldst, shouldest or

The other Forms of these Tenses, viz. I am writing, I was writing, I have been writing, I had been writing, I will be writing, feem for the most Part to have the Action undetermined.

* From auxilior, to help.

† From inflecto, to change (the Ending). shouldst, fhouldst, are Signs of the potential Mode.

- 49. Do, and its Inflections, doft, doth or does, are Signs of the prefent Tense.
- 50. Did, and its Inflection, didst, are Signs of the imperfect Tense.
- 51. Have, and its Inflections, haft, bath or has, are Signs of the perfect Tense.
- 52. Had, and its Inflection, hadst, are Signs of the pluperfect Tense.
- 53. Shall and will, and their Inflections, shalt and wilt, are Signs of the future Tense.

Note. The auxiliary Signs feem to have the Nature of Adverbs.

Do, have, and will, when they are not joined to Verbs to distinguish the Circumstance of Time, are absolutely Verbs: as, I do it; I have it; I will it.

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- 54. In Verbs there is a Reference to three Persons in each Number: as, Singular, I love, thou lovest, he loveth. Plural, We love, ye love, they love.
- 55. The first Person speaks of himfelf: as, "I John take thee Elizabeth."
 - 56. The fecond Person has the Speech directed to him, and is supposed to be present: as, "Thou Harry art a wicked Fellow."
 - 57. The third Person is spoken of, or described, and supposed to be absent: as, "That Thomas is a good Man."
 - 58. The Verb itself has but two Terminations respecting Time: as, love, and loved; which last may be called the Insection of the preteror past Tense: And when this Insection of the preter Tense is formed by adding d, or ed, to the first Person present Tense, the Verb is regular, and is declined after the following Example.

INDICATIVE

INDICATIVE MODE.

Present Tense.

59. Sing. I love or do love, thou lovest or dost love, he lovest or loves, or doth or does love. Plu. We love or do love, ye or you love or do love, they love or do love.

Imperfect Tenfe.

60. Sing. I loved or did love, thou lovedst or didst love, he loved or did love. Plu. We loved or did love, ye loved or did love, they loved or did love.

Perfect Tenfe.

61. Sing. I have loved, thou hast loved, he hath or has loved. Plu. We have loved, ye have loved, they have loved.

Pluperfect Tense.

62. Sing. I had loved, thou hadst loved, he had loved. Plu. We had loved, ye had loved, they had loved.

Future Tenfe.

63. Sing. I shall or will love, thou shalt or wilt love, he shall or will love. Plu. We shall or will love, ye shall or will love, they shall or will love.

64. Some Verbs in this Mode will admit of a fecond Future, especially such as signify the completing of any Thing: as, I shall or will have finished it to-morrow.

IMPERATIVE MODE.

65. Sing. Love, do thou love, or love thou. Plu. Love, do ye love, or love ye.

POTENTIAL MODE.

Prefent Tenfe.

66. Sing. I must, may, can, would, could, or should love; thou must,

NOTE 65. Let, commonly called a Sign of the imperative Mode, is properly a Verb in that Mode; as in the Example, let him love, the Meaning is, permit or fuffer him to love: Let, mayest, canst, wouldest, couldest, or shouldest love; he must, may, can, would, could, or should love. Plu. We must, may, can, would, could, or should love; ye, &c.

Perfect Tenfe.

67. Sing. I must, might, would, could, or should have loved; thou must, mightest, wouldest, couldest, or shouldest have loved; he must, might, would, could, or should have loved. Plu. We must, might, would, could, or should have loved; ye, &c.

68. The Pluperfect Tense, in this Mode, is best expressed by the perfect: as, I might have loved her before the Time you mention.

69. The future Tense of most Verbs, in this Mode, is best expressed by the present: as, I may love to-morrow.

Let, therefore, seems to be a Verb of the imperative, and love of the infinitive Mode; the Sign, to, being understood, though not expressed.

70. There -

70. There is a fubjunctive* or conditional Form, which drops the personal Terminations in certain Tenses of this Mode: as, though thou love, though he love.

INFINITIVE MODE.

- 71. Present Tense, to love; Persect, to have loved; Future, about to love.
- 72. When the Termination of the preter Tense is not formed by adding d, or ed, to the first Person of the present Tense singular, the Verb may be called irregular; but that Irregularity being discovered, and observed in the preter Tenses, the Verb is declined, in all other Respects, as the regular Verb aforegoing.

From fub, under, and junge, to join.

THE DECLENSION OF THE NEUTER VERB, TO BE.

INDICATIVE MODE.

Present Tenfe.

73. Sing. I am, thou art, he is. Plu. We are, ye or you are, they are.

Imperfect Tenfe.

74. Sing. I was, thou waft, or you were, he was. Plu. We were, ye were, they were.

Perfect Tenfe.

75. Sing. I have been, thou hast been, he hath or has been. Plu. We have been, ye have been, they have been.

Pluperfest Tenfe.

76. Sing. I had been, thou hads been, he had been. Plu. We had been, ye had been, they had been.

Future Tenfe.

 $\eta\eta$. Sing. I shall or will be, thou shalt or wilt be, he shall or will be. Plu. We shall or will be, ye shall or will be, $\mathcal{C}c$.

Second Future.

78. Sing. I shall or will have been,

IMPERATIVE MODE.

79. Sing. Be, do thou be, or be thou. Plu. Be, do ye be, or be ye.

POTENTIAL MODE.

Present Tense.

80. Sing. I must, may, can, would, could, or should be; thou must, mayest, canst, wouldest, couldest, or shouldest be; he, &c. Plu. We must, may, can, would, could, or should be; ye, &c.

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Perfect and Pluperfect Tenfes.

- 81. Sing. I must, might, would, could, or should have been; thou must, mightest, wouldest, couldest, or shouldest have been; he must, might, would, could, or should have been. Plu. We must, might, would, could, or should have been; ye, &c.
- 82. The future Tense, in this Mode, is best expressed by the present: as, I may be to-morrow.
- 83. The fubjunctive Form of this Verb is thus distinguished:

Present Tenfe.

Sing. Though I be, though thou be, though he be. P/u. Though we be, though ye be, though they be.

Imperfect Tense.

Sing. Though I were, though thou wert, though he were. Plu. Though we were, though ye were, though they were.

INFINITIVE

Infinitive Mode.

- 84. Present, to be; Persect, to have been; Future, about to be.
- 85. The Declension of a Passive Verb is formed by adding the Participle Passive to each Person of the preceding Verb, to be: as, Present Tense, Sing. I am loved, thou art loved, or you are loved, he is loved. Plu. We are loved, ye or you are loved, they are loved, &c. &c.
 - 86. The Verb has two original Tenses, the Present, and the Past; and two Participles, the one Active, and the other Passive.
 - 87. The active Participle of all Verbs whatever ends in ing: as, loving, teaching.
 - 88. The paffive Participle and paft Tense of all regular Verbs are exactly the same: as, love, loved; ask, asked.

- 89. All regular Verbs, ending with an e, form their past Tense and passive Participle by the Addition of d only: as, love, loved; receive, received. And all Verbs, whether regular or irregular, which end with an e, omit that e in the active Participle: as, love, loving; give, giving.
 - 90. All regular Verbs, ending with a Confonant, or with a double Confonant, form their past Tense and passive Participle by adding ed to the primitive Word: as, remain, remained: long, longed. And the active Participle of all such Verbs is formed by the Addition of ing: as, remain, remaining; long, longing.
 - 91. Such Verbs, however, as end in ck, ff, p, fb, fs, and x, form, in general, the past Tense and passive Participle in t as well as ed: as, check, checked, or checkt; puss, pussed, or pussed, or snapt; mesh, meshed, or mesht; bless, blessed, or bless; mix, mixed, or mix: One of the Consonants being dropped when the Verb ends

with two Consonants of the same Kind, or, when ending with a fingle Consonant, it doubles it in the past Tense: as, bless, blessed, blessed, snapped, snapped, snapped.

- 92. Verbs that end in y with a Vowel before it are completely regular, and form their past Tense and passive Participle by the Addition of ed: as, obey, obeyed; decoy, decoyed: Buy, say, slay, and a few other irregular Verbs, being excepted. But if there be a Consonant before the y, then the past Tense with the passive Participle, and the second and third Persons of the present Tense, change the y into i: as, deny, denied, thou deniest, he denieth or denies. But the active Participle of all Verbs ending in y is formed by an Addition of ing: as, obey, obeying; buy, buying; deny, denying.
- 93. There are several Verbs, which, though regular as to their general Formation, yet double their final Consonant in the past Tense and both Participles:

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ticiples: as, sup, supped, supping; worthip, worshipped, worshipping.

- 94. There are also many Verbs, irregular in their past Tense and passive Participle, which yet double their final Consonant in the active Participle: as, begin, beginning; run, running.
- 95. All regular Verbs, which double their final Confonant in the past Tense and passive Participle, double it also in the active Participle; and the contrary: as, blot, biotted, biotting. And all Verbs without Exception, which double the final Consonant in the active Participle, double that Consonant also in the second and third Persons of the present Tense: as, worship, worshipping, thou worshippess, begin, beginning, thou beginness, he beginness, or begins.
- 96. Here follows a catalogue of the fimple Verbs which double their final Consonant in the past Tense and both Participles, together with such irregu-

lar Verbs as double their final Consonant in the active Participle.

Abet, abetted Bid, bidding Abhor, abhorred Blab, blabbed Abut, abutted Blot, blotted Acquit, acquitted Blur, blurred Admit, admitted Bob, bobbed Allot, allotted Bowel, bowelled Brag, bragged Antic, amitted Annul, annulled Brim, brimmed Appal, appalled Bud, budded Apparel, apparelled Cabal, caballed Avely avelled Cancel, cancelled Aver, averred Cap, capped Bag, bagged Capot, capotted Banr, bammed Carol, carolled Ban, banned Cavil, cavilled Bar, barred Channel, channelled Barrel, barrelled Bed, bedded Chap, chapped Befal, befalling Char, charred Beg, begged Chat, chatted Begin, beginning Chip, chipped Chisel, chiselled Bet, betted Bethrel, bethralled Chit, chitted Bias, biaffed Chop, chopped Dib, bibbed Clap, clapped Digitized by Google Clip,

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Debel, debelled Clip, clipped Clod, clodded Defer, deferred Clog, clogged Demit, demitted Clot, clotted Demur, demurred Club, clubbed Deter, deterred Cod, codded Dig, digging Dim, dimmed Cog, cogged Commit, commit- Din, dinned ted Dip, dipped Compel, compelled Dishevel, dishevel-Con, conned led Concur, concurred Difpel, difpelled Confer, conferred Distil, distilled Control, controlled Dog, dogged Coquet, coquetted Don, donned Counselled Dot, dotted Cram, crammed Drag, dragged Crib, cribbed Dram, drammed Drib, dribbed Crop, cropped Drip, dripped Crum, crummed Drivel, drivelled Cub, cubbed Cudgel, cudgelled Drop, dropped Cup, cupped Drub, drubbed Drug, drugged Cut, cutting Dab, dabbed Drum, drummed Dag, dagged Dub, dubbed Dam, dammed Duel, duelled Dap, dapped Dun, dunned

Emit

Fulfil, fulfilled Emit, emitted Enamel, enamelledFur, furred Enrol, enrolled Gab, gabbed Gad, gadded Equal, equalfed Escot, escotted Gag, gagged Gambol,gambolled Excel, excelled Expel, expelled Gem, gemmed Extil, extilled Get, getting Extol, extolled Gip, gipped Glad, gladded Fag, fagged Fan, fanned Glib, glibbed Fat, fatted Glut, glutted Fib, fibbed Gnar, gnarred God, godded Fig, figged Fin, finned Gospel, gospelled Gravel, gravelled Fit, fitted Flag, flagged Grin, grinned Flam, flammed Grovel, grovelled Flap, flapped Grub, grubbed Flat, flatted Gum, gummed Flit, flitted Gut, gutted Flog, flogged Hag, hagged Flop, flopped Handsel, handsel-Fob, fobbed led Forestal, forestalled Hap, happed Foretel, foretelling Hatchel, hatchel-Fret, fretted led Fub, fubbed Hem, hemmed oogle Hip, Hip, hipped Jug, jugged Jut, jutted Hit, hitting Hitchel, hitchelled Ken, kenned Kennel, kennelled Hop, hopped Hovel, hovelled Kernel, kernelled Housel, houselled Kid, kidded Kidnap, kidnapped Hug, hugged Knab, knabbed Hum, hummed Hyp, hypped Knap, knapped Knit, knitting Jam, jammed Knot, knotted Japan, japanned Jar, jarred Knub, knubbed Jet, jetted Lag, lagged Jig, jigged Lap, lapped Immit; immitted Let, letting Level, levelled Impel, impelled Libel, libelled Incur, incurred Infer, inferred Lig, ligged Instal, installed Lip, lipped Instil, instilled Lob, lobbed Inter, interred Lop, lopped Intermit, intermit- Lug, lugged Mad, madded ted Inthral, inthralled Man, manned Intromit, intro-Manumit, manumitted mitted Map, mapped Job, jobbed Mar, marred Jog, jogged Marshal,

Marshal, marshal- Peg, pegged led Pen, penned Marvel, marvelled Permit, permitted Pig, pigged Mat, matted Miscal, miscalled Pin, pinned Mistel, mistelling Pip, pipped Mob, mobbed Pistol, pistolled Model, modelled Pit, pitted Mop, mopped Plan, planned Mud, mudded . Plat, platted Nab, nabbed Plod, plodded Plot, plotted Nap, napped Plug, plugged Net, netted Nib, nibbed Pod, podded Nim, nimmed Pommel, pommelled Nip, nipped Nod, nodded Pop, popped Postil, postilled Nousel, nouselled Nut, nutted Pot, potted Occur, occurred Prefer, preferred Omit, omitted Pretermit, preter-Outwit, outwitted mitted Pad, padded Prig, prigged Prim, primmed Pan, panned Pannel, pannelled Prog, progged Parcel, parcelled Prop, propped Propel, propelled Pat, patted Patrol, patrolled Pulvil, pulvilled Pun, Pun, punned Pup, pupped Put, putting Quarrel, quarrelled Sag, sagged Quip, quipped Quit, quitted Quob, quobbed Ram, rammed Rap, rapped Ravel, ravelled Rebel, rebelled Recal, recalled Recur, recurred Refel, refelled Refer, referred Regret, regretted Remit, remitted Repel, repelled Revel, revelled Rid, ridding Rig, rigged Rip, ripped-Rival, rivalled Rivel, rivelled Rivet, rivetted Rob, robbed Rot, rotting Rowel, rowelled

Rub, rubbed Run, running Rut, rutted Sap, sapped Scab, scabbed Scan, scanned Scar, scarred Scrub, scrubbed Scud, scudded Scum, scummed Set, fetting Sham, shammed Shed, shedding Ship, shipped Shog, shogged Shovel, shovelled Shred, shredding Shrivel, shrivelled Shrub, shrubbed Shrug, shrugged Shun, shunned Shut, shutting Sin, finned Sip, fipped Sit, fitting Skim, skimmed Skin, skinned Skip, Skip, skipped Slam, flammed Slap, slapped Slip, slipped Slit, flitting Slop, flopped Slot, flotted Slur, flurred Smut, smutted Snap, fnapped Snip, Inipped Snivel, inivelled Snub, Inubbed Snug, Inugged Sob, fobbed Sop, sopped Sot, fotted Span, spanned Spar, sparred Spct, spetted Spin, spinning Spit, spitting Split, splitting Spot, spotted Sprig, sprigged Sprit, spritted Spur, spurred Squab, squabbed Squat, fquatted Stab, stabbed Star, starred Stem, stemmed Step, stepped Stir, stirred Stop, stopped Strap, strapped Strip, stripped Strut, strutted Stub, stubbed Stud, studded Stum, stummed Stun, stunned Stut, stutted Submit, fubmitted Sum, summed Sun, funned Sup, supped. Swab, (wabbed Swag, Swagged Swap, swapped Swig, swigged Swim, swimming Swop, swopped Tag, tagged Tan, tanned Tap, tapped F 2 Digitized by Google Tar,

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Tar, tarred Tug, tugged Ted, tedded Tun, tunned Tunnel, tunnélled Thin, thinned Thrid, thridded Tup, tupped Twin, twinned Throb, throbbed Thrum, thrummed Twit, twitted Tin, tinned Van, vanned Victual, victualled Tinsel, tinselled ${f T}$ ip, tipped \cdot Unrol, unrolled Top, topped Unwit, unwitted Wad, wadded Trammel, trammelled Wag, wagged Transcur, transcur-War, warred Wed, wedded red Transfer, transfer- Wet, wetted Whet, whetted red Transmit, trans-Whip, whipped mitted Whiz, whizzed Win, winning Trap, trapped Travel, travelled Wit, witting Trepan, trepanned Worship, worship-Trig, trigged ped Trim, trimmed Wot, wotted Wrap, wrapped Trip, tripped Trot, trotted

And after these Examples the Compounds also are formed. But it is to be observed, that such regular Verbs in the foregoing Catalogue as end in l, and p, and do not bear the Accent on the last Syllable, may be written in the past Tense and both Participles either with a single or double l: as, grovel, groveled or grovelled, groveling or grovelling; worship, worshiped or worshipped, worshiping or worshipping.

97. All Verbs, that end with an e, form their fecand Person singular in the present Tense of the indicative Mode by the Addition of ft; and the third. Person by adding th, or the Letter s only: as, I love, thou lovest, he loveth, or he loves. But if they end with a Confonant, then the fecond Person is formed by the addition of est, and the third Person by adding eth, or s only -or by adding eth, or es, when the Verbs end in $\int s$, x, and o: as, I ask, thou askest, he asketh, or asks; I pass, thou passest, he passeth, or passes; I fix, thou fixest, he fixeth, or fixes; I go, thou goest, he goeth, or goes. The fol-F 3 Digitized by Googlowing lowing must be considered as Exceptions: I am, thou art, he is; I have, thou hast, he hath, or has; I do, thou doest, or dost, he doeth, or doth, or does; I say, theu sayest, he saith, or says.

- 98. All regular Verbs form their fecond Person singular in the past Tense of the indicative Mode by the Addition of st.: as, I loved, thou lovedst; I asked, thou askedst.
- 99. Irregular Verbs form their fecond Person fingular in the past Tense, for the most Part, according to the following Rules:
- 1. If the irregular past Tense terminates in d, the second Person singular is formed by the Addition of st, in the Manner of regular Preterites: as, I said, thou faidst; I did, thou didst—and sometimes in the grave and solemn Style, or for the sake of Emphasis, thou diddest.
- 2. If the irregular past Tense be one of the Verbs, that have the present

and past Tenses, and the passive Particiciple, all alike, then the second Person is formed by the Addition of eds: as, I put, thou puttedst; I shed, thou sheddedst.

3. All other irregular Verbs, with very few if any Exceptions, form their fecond Person fingular in the past Tense by est: as, I brake, thou brakest; I knew, thou knewest.

4. The Preterites of many irregular Verbs, if they be Monofyllables ending with a fingle Confonant, will double that Confonant in the fecond Person fingular: as, I fed, they feddest; I met, thou mettest.

Our Language has a strong Tendency to double the Consonant in this Person, as may be seen in the Words, diddest, puttedst, sheddedst, or shedst, which are Abbreviations of the second d.

Of a PARTICIPLE.*,

Participle is derived of a Verb, and partakes of the Nature both of the Verb and the Adjective.

101. There

* From participo, to partake.

Note 100. The Participle, so far as it expresses the Circumstance of the Noun to which it is joined by the neuter Verb, has the Nature of an Adjective; but, as implying the Action of some Agent, it has the Nature of the Verb.

The passive Participle seems to have been invented more fully to express that Influence or Dependence which the Agent and Object of a Verb have on each other: as "John loves "Elizabeth; or, Elizabeth is loved by John." The King wrote the Letter; or, The Letter was written by the King."

Here loved and written, so far as they express the Circumftances of the Nouns to which they are joined by the neuter Verb, may be confidered as Adjectives; but in another View,

to1. There are two Participles pertaining to the Verbs; the Active, which always ends in ing; and the Passive, which, for the most Part, ends in ed:

as they imply the Action or Force of some Agent or compulsive Cause, they may be considered as Verbs.

Hence it is, that Verbs intransitive, which have no Object, can have no passive Participle. Some of them have a participial Form joined to the neuter Verb: as, "The Man is fallen; "The Sun is risen." But as fallen and risen have no Reference to any Agent or compulsive Caule different from the Subject of the Verb, so they cannot with any Propriety be denominated passive Participles: And, notwithstanding their Form, they differ very little, if any Thing, from common Adjectives.

The same Thing may be observed of the active Participle: as, "The Master is writing; The Horse is trotting." Here the Participle implies both the Circumstance and the Action of the Noun to which it is joined by the neuter Verb, and therefore has the Property of a Participle. But if we use the same Word in a merely descriptive Sense; as, "The "arriting Master, the trotting Horse;" it loses the Property of a Participle, and becomes a mere Adjective.

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as, from the Verb call are derived the Participles calling and called. In the Formation of the Participles, if the Verb ends in e, the e is omitted: as, love, loving, loved. If it ends in a fingle Confonant, preceded by a fingle Vowel bearing the Accent, that Confonant is doubled: as, commit, committing, committed. But on this Head fee more fully under the Verb.

the most Part, the same with the preter or past Tense of the Verb; but in both these there are many Irregularities; the chief of which may be gathered from the following Catalogue.

Present. Preter. Parti. Bake baked baked, ba	ken
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Begin began begun	
Bear bore borne	
bare born	
Beat beat beaten	
Behold beheld beheld	. ′
beholden	
Bend bended, bent bent	reft
Bereave Bereft bereaved,	bc-
Beseech besought besought	
Bid bid bidden	
Bind bound bound	
Bite bit bitten	
Bleed bled bled, bloo	ded
Blow blowed blowed	
blew blown	
Break broke, brake broken	
Breed bred bred	
Bring brought brought	
Build built builded, l	nilt
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. •	,	
Present.	Preter.	Parti.
Buy	bought	bought
Catch	caught	catched, catche
Chide	chid	chid, chidden
Choose	chose	chosen
Cleave	clove, clave	cloven, cleft
Clothe	clad	clothed, clad
Creep	creeped, crep	t creeped, crept
Dig	digged, dug	dug
Do	did	done
Draw	drew	drawn
Dream	dreamed	dreamed
	dreamt	dreamt
Drink	drank	drunk
Drive	drove	driven
Eat	ate	eaten
Feed	fed	fed
Feel	felt	felt
Find	found	found
Fling	flung	flung
Forfake	forfook	forfaken
Freight,		fraught
Freeze	froze	frozen
Get	got, gat	gotten
Geld	gelt	gelded
Gild	gilt	gilt
Gird	girded, girt	girded, girt
Give	gave	given
-		Grave

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Present	Preter.	Parti.
Grave	graved	graved, graven
Grind	ground	ground
Hang	hanged, hung	
Have	had	had
Heave •	heaved, hove	heaved, hoven
Help	helped	helped, holpen
Hew	hewed	hewn
Hide	hid	hidden
Hold	held	holden, held
Keep	kept .	kept
Know	knew	known
Lade	laded	laden
Lay	laid	laid
Lead	led	led
Leap	leaped, leap	t leaped, leapt
Leave	left	left
Lend	lent	lent
Load	loaded	loaded, loaden
Lofe:	loft	loft
Make.	made .	made
Meet	met	met
Mow	mowed	mowed, mown
Pay	paid -	paid
Rend	rent .	rent
Ride	rid, rode	ridden
Ring	rang	rung
Rive	rived	riven

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Present.	Preter.	Parti-
Rot	rotted	rotten
Run	ran	run
Say	faid	faid
Saw	fawed	fawn
See	faw	feen
Seek	fought	fought
Seeth	fod	fodden.
Sell	fold	fold
Send	fent	fent
Shake	Ihook	Shaken
Shave	Ihaved	shaved, shaven
Shear	I hore	shorn
Shew	Thewed	shewn
Shoe	shod	shod
Shoot	I hot	fhot
Shrive	1hrove	fhriv en
Sing	fang ,	fung
Sink.	fank	funk
Sit	fate	fat, fitten
Slay	flew	flain
Sling	flung, flang	flung
Smite .	fmote	imitten
Sow	fowed	fown
Speak	fpok e	fpoken
Speed	iped	fped
S pell	ipelt	fpelt
Spend	fpent	spent ent
. -	*	Spill

Present.	Preter.	Parti.
Spill `	fpilled, fpilt	spilled, spilt
Spin	ípun, ípan	lpun .
Spring	fprang	fprung
Sting	stung, stang	flung
Steal	ftole	ftolen.
Stick	fluck	fluck
Stride	ftrode -	ftridden
Strike	ftruc k	ftruck
String	ftrang	ftrung
Sweep	fwept	fwept
Swear	fwore	fworn
Sweat	fweated	fweated
Swell	fwelled	fwol n
Swim	fwum, fwam	
Take	took	taken
Teach ·	taught	taught
Tear	tore	torn
Tell	told	told
Throw	threw	thrown
Think "	thought	thought
	-trod	trodden
Wear	wore	worn
Weave	wove	woven
Win	won	won
Wind	wound	wound
Work	wrought	wrought
Wring	wrung	wrung
Write	wrote	writtengle
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103. The following are intransitive Verbs, and have, properly speaking, no passive Participle.

Present.	Preter.	Parti. Form.
	abode	
Arise	arofe ,	arilen
Awake	awaked awoke	awaked
	cleaved, clave	cleaved
Cling	clang, clung	clung
Come	came	çome
Creep	creeped, crept	crept
Crow :	crew	crowed
Deal		dealt
	durst	
		dead
Dwell :		dwelt
Fall		fallen
Feed	fed	fed
Flee .	fled	fled
Fly	flew	flown
Go	went	gone
Grow	grew	grown
Hang	hung	hung
Leap	leaped, leapt	leaped, leapt
Lie	lay	
Rife	rofe	rifen
Rot	rotted	rotten

Run

Present.	Preter.	Parti. Form.
Run	ran	run
Shine	shone	shined
Sink	fank	funk
Shrink	Ihrank	fhrun k
Sleep	flept	flept
Slide	flid	slidden
Slink -	flank	flunk
Speed	fped	fped
Spit	fpat	fpitte n
Stand	ftood	ftood
Stick	ftuck	ftuck
Stink	ftank.	ftunk
Swing	fwang	fwung
Thrive	throve	thriven
Weep	wept	wept

NOTE. There are a few compound irregular Verbs, such as befal, bespeak, &c. which as they follow the simple Form, it was not thought necessary to insert in this Catalogue.

104. There are a few Verbs ending in t, and d, which are the same in the present and preter Tenses, and passive Participle: as, burst, cast, cost, cut, hit, hurt, knit, let, put, read, rid, set, shed, shred, shut, slit, split, spread, thrust.

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Of an ADVERB*.

N Adverb is a Part of Speech joined to a Verb, an Adjective, a Participle, and sometimes to another Adverb, to express the Quality or Circumstance of it: as, He reads well; a truly good man; he is secretly plotting; he writes very correctly.

106. Some Adverbs admit of Comparison: as, often, oftener, oftenest; soon, sooner, soonest: And many of them are compared by other Adverbs, much, more, most, &c.

NOTE. Adverbs have Relation to Time; as, now, then, lately, &c. to Place; as, here, there, &c. to Number; as, once, twice, &c.

* From ad, to, and Verbum, a Verb.

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Of a CONJUNCTION*.

107. Conjunction is a Part of Speech that joins Words or Sentences together: as, albeit, although, altho, and, because, but, either, else, however, if, namely, neither, nor, or, though, tho, therefore, thereupon, unless, whereas, whereupon, whether, yet.

The foregoing are always Conjunctions: but these tix following are sometimes Adverbs; also, as, otherwise, since, likewise, then. Except, and save, are sometimes Verbs; for, sometimes a Preposition; and that, sometimes a Pronoun.

Of a PREPOSITION+.

108. A Preposition is a word set before Nouns, or Pronouns, to express the Relations of Persons, Places,

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From con, with, and jungo, to join.

[†] From præ, before, and pono, to place.

or Things to each other: as, He came to, and stood before the City.

Prepositions used in this Sense are such as follow: About, above, after, against, among, amongst, at, before, behind, below, beneath, between, beyond, by, for, from, in, into, of, off, on, upon, over, through, to, unto, towards, under, with, within, without.

Of an INTERJECTION*,

109. A N Interjection is a Word that expresses any fudden Motion of the Mind, transported with the Sensation of Pleasure or Pain: as, O! Oh! Alas! Lo!

From inter, between, and jacie, to throw,

SYNTAX*.

SYNTAX shews the Agreement and right Disposition of Words in a Sentence.

110. The Articles, a, and an, are used only before Nouns of the singular Number: an, before a Word that begins with a Vowel; a, before a Word that begins with a Consonant; an, or a, before a Word that begins with h: as, "A Christian, an Insidel, an Hea-"then, or a Heathen." But if the h be not sounded, then the Article an is only used: as, "An Hour, an Herb."

111. A

From Syntaxis, a Joining.

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Man, a House; i. e. any Man, any House, without distinction. But the is definite: as, "The Man, the House;" i. e. some one Man, some one House, in particular.

112. The is likewise used to distinguish two or more Persons or Things mentioned before: as, "The Men" (not the Women.) "The Lords" (as distinguished from the Commons.)

113. The Verb agrees with its Noun, or Pronoun, i. e. with its Agent, or Subject, in Number and Person: as, "The Boys write; I love; He, who reads."

114. In the complainant Style, it is common to use you instead of thou, when we speak to one Person only; and

NOTE 113. This Agent, or Subject, is always found by asking the Question, subs, or what, on the Verb; as, Who write? The Answer to the Question is, Boys; which Word is the Agent of the Verb, write.

in that Case it has a plural Verb joined with it: as, "You are my brother."

- 115. A Noun of Multitude, of the fingular Number, may have a Verb either fingular or plural: as, "The People is mad;" or, "The People are mad." The latter Expression feems to be the more elegant.
- Pronouns, are connected together in a Sentence, as joint Agents, or Subjects, they must have a plural Verb, though they should be each of the fingular Number: as, "The Man and his Wife are happy; I and He were there; Richard and I have been very busy."
- 117. Sometimes a Sentence, or an infinitive Mode, is the Subjett of a Verb; and then the Verb must be put in the fingular Number and third Perfon: as, "The King and Queen appearing in public was the Cause of mygoing; To see the Sun is pleasant."

118. When

118. When the Agent and Object of a Verb are not diftinguished (as in Nouns) by different Cases, the Agent is always set before, and the Object after the Verb; this being the natural Order, and necessary to determine the Sense: as, "Alexander conquered Darius." If Darius had been the Conqueror, it is plain that the Order of the Nouns must have been inverted.

119. The Agent, or Subject, is most commonly set immediately before the Verb, or the Sign of the Verb: as, "The Man lives; The City hath stood a thousand Years." In the imperative Mode, however, it is set after the Verb: as, "Love thou; Be thou happy." Also, when a Question is asked, it is set after the Verb, or between the Sign and the Verb: as, "Are you there? Doth the King live?"

120. The Pronouns I, We, Thou, Ye, He, She, They, and Who, are always used when they stand as the Agent of an active, or the Subject of the neuter Verb: as, "I see; He loves; We

are; They go; That is the Person who passed us Yesterday."

121. The Noun, or Pronoun, which receives the Force of the active Verb, is most commonly set after the Verb: as, "I love the Man." But the Relative, whom, or whomsoever, is always set before the Verb: as, "The Man, whom I love, is absent."

122. The accusative Case of a Pronoun is always used, when it receives the Force or Impression of the active Verb, or active Participle, or comes after the infinitive Mode of the neuter Verb: as, "He calls me; She is beating them; I suppose it to be him."

in Answer to a Qestion, or follows the present or imperfect Tense of the neuter Verb, it must be put in the nominative Case: as, "Who did it? I, i. e. I did it; I was he that said so."

124. The passive Participle, and not the pass Tense, should be always used H when

when joined in a Sentence with the nedter Verb: as, "It was written (not it was wrote) in Hebrew."

125. That Form of the Tenses in Verbs, which is distinguished by the effive Participle, is used with strict Propriety, when we would express the Continuance of an Action: as, I have been writing a long Time; I shall be writing all the Week."

126. The auxiliary Signs, do and did, and their Inflections, doth, doft, or does, and didst, ought to be used only for the Sake of Emphasis: as, "I do love; he did go."

127. Shall is used in the first Person barely to express the suture Action or Event; as, "I shall do it:" But, in the second and third, it promises, or commands; as, "You shall do it." On the contrary, will, in the second and third Persons, barely expresses the suture Action or Event; as, "You will do it:" But, in the first, it promises, or threatens; as, "I will do it"

128. The

128. The Terminations eth, ed; and the participial Form of the Verb, are used in the grave and formal Style; but s, 'd, and the Form of the past Tense, in the free and familiar Style; as (gravely), "He hath loved; The Man hath spoken, and still speaketh;" (familiarly), "He has lov'd; The Man has spoke, and still speaks."

ther with the Preposition of between them, denoting Possession, the latter may be made the genitive Case, and set before the other: as, "The Property of the Men; The Men's Property."

130. Pronouns must always agree with the Nouns for which they stand, or to which they refer, in Number, Person, and Gender: as, "The Sun shines, and his Race is appointed to him; The Moon appears, and she shines with Light, but not her own; The Sea swells, it roars,

NOTE 129. Nouns of the plural Number, that end in s, will not wery properly admit of the genitive Case.

and what can repel its Force? This Man, These Women."

131. The neuter Pronoun, by an Idiom peculiar to the English Language, is frequently joined in explanatory Sentences with a Noun or Pronoun of the masculine or feminine Gender: as, "It is I; It was the Man, or Woman that did it."

132. When two or more Nouns or Pronouns, of different Persons, are joined in a Sentence, the Pronoun, which refers to them, must agree with the first Person in Preference to the second, and with the second in Preference to the third: as, "Thou and thy Father are both in the same Fault, and ye ought to confess it; The Captain and I sought on the same Ground, and after-

NOTE 131. Though this seems to be an indefinite Use of the neuter Pronoun, as expressive of some Cause or Subject of Inquiry, without any Respect to Person or Gender; yet, in strict Propriety, it cannot be so used with a Noun of the plural Number: thus, "It was they that did it—" is an Impropriety.

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wards we divided the Spoil, and shared it between us.

Pronouns of the fingular Number are joined together in a Sentence, the Pronoun, which refers to them, must be of the plural Number: as, "The King and the Queen had put on their Robes."

134. The genitive Case of a Pronoun is always used, when joined to a Noun, to denote Property or Possession: as, "My Head and thy Hand." The Head of me and the Hand of thee are inelegant Expressions.

135. The genitive Cases of the Pronouns, viz. my, thy, &c. are used when joined with Nouns; but mine, thine, &c. when put absolutely, or without their Nouns: as, "It is my Book;" or, omitting the Noun, "It is mine."

The fame Thing may be observed of other and others, in the plural Number: as, "The property of other Men;" or, H 3 without

without the Noun, "The Property of athers."

136. Mine and thine are frequently put for my and thy, before a Word that begins with a Vowel: as, "Mine Eye" for "My Eye."

137. Pronominal Adjectives are only used in the genitive Case, when put absolutely: as, "I will not do it for tens Sake."

138. The Adjective is usually set before its Substantive: as, "The second Year; A good Man." Sometimes, however, for better Sound's Sake, especially in Poetry, the Adjective comes often after its Substantive: as,

"The genuine Cause of every Deed

NOTE 136. Thou is used to denote the greatest Respect: as, "O Thou most High!" And
likewise to denote the greatest Contempt: as,
"Thou worthless Fellow!"

139. When

139. When Thing or Things is Subflantive to an Adjective, the Word Thing or Things is elegantly omitted, and the Adjective is put abjolutely, or without its Subflantive: as, "Who will shew us any Good?" for, "Who will shew us any good Thing?"

In many other Cases the Adjective is put absolutely, especially when the Noun has been mentioned before, and is easily understood, though not expressed.

140. In forming the Degrees of Comparison, the Adverbs, more, most, less, least, &c. are only used before Adjectives when the Terminations, er and cs, are omitted: as, "More full, less beautiful."

141. For better Sound's Sake, most Adjectives ending in ive, al, ful, ble, ant, some, ing, ish, ous, and some others, must be compared by the Adverbs, more, most, less, least, &c as, "Pensive, more pensive; substantial, more substantial."

Note 141. Adjectives of more than one Syllable generally come under this Rule. 142. When 142. When two Persons, or Things, are spoken of in a Sentence, and there is Occasion to mention them over again, for the Sake of Distinction, that is used in Reference to the former, and this in Reference to the latter: as,

" Self-love, the Spring of Motion, acts the Soul;

" Reason's comparing Balance rules the whole:

the whole:

"Man but for that no Action could attend,

"And but for this were active to no End."

143. That refers both to Persons and Things: as, "The Man that I respect; The Thing that I want, is not here."

144. The relative Pronoun, who, whose, or whom, is used, when we speak of Persons only; which, when we speak of Things, or want to distinguish one of two or more Persons or Things: as, "I am bound to respect a Man, who has done me a Favor; though he be chargeable

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able with Vices, which I hate. Which of the Men? Which of the Roads will you choose?"

145. Who and what also are used in asking Questions: Who, when we inquire for a Man's Name: as, "Who is that Man?" What, when we would know his Occupation, &c.as, "What is that Man?"

146. The Adverb is always placed immediately before the Adjective, but most commonly after the Verb: as, "A very pious Man prays frequently."

147. The Comparative Adverbs, than, and as, with the Conjunctions, and, nor, or, connect like Cases: as, "She loves him better than me; John is as tall as I; He and I went together; Neither he nor she came; Bring it to me or her."

148. The Conjunctions, if, though, execpt, &c. implying a manifest Doubt or Uncertainty, require the subjunctive Form of Verbs: as, "Though he slay me,

me, yet will I trust in him; I will not let thee go, except thou bless me; Kiss the Son, lest he be angry; If he but speak the Word; See thou do it not."

149. Prepositions always govern the accusative Case of a Pronoun immediately after them: as, " To me; for them, &c."

ac. the Preposition, to, is elegantly omitted before the Pronoun, which, notwithstanding, must be in the Actulative: as, "I gave him the Book," for, "I gave to him the Book."

151. The Preposition, to, is always used before Nouns of Place, after Verbs and Participles of Motion: as, "I went to London: I am going to Town." &c. But the Preposition, at, is always used when it follows the neuter Verb in the

NOTE 148. This Form feems to be elliptical, and may be thus resolved: "Though he fould slay me; Lest he sould be angry; See thou must do it not, &cc."

fame

fame Case: as, "I have been at London; I am at the Place appointed." We likewise say, "He touch'd, arriv'd, lives, &c. at any place."

152. The Preposition, in, is set before Countries, Cities, and large Towns; especially, if they are in the same Nation: as, "He lives in London, in France, &c." At is set before Villages, single Houses, and Cities that are in distant Countries: as, "He lives at Hackney, &c."

153. The Interjections, O, Oh, and Ah, require the accusative Case of a Pronoun in the first Person: as, "O me, Oh me, Ah me:" But the Nominative in the second: as, "O thou, O ye."

No exact Rules can be given for the Placing of all Words in a Sentence: The easy Flow and the Perspicuity of the Expression are the two Things, which ought to be chiefly regarded.

APPENDIX.

THE DECLENSION OF IRREGULAR AND DEFECTIVE VERBS.

TO WRITE.

Present. Preser.
Wrote

Partic.
Written.

INDICATIVE MODE.

Imperfect Tense.

Sing. I wrote or did write, thou wrotest or didst write, he wrote or did write. Plu. We wrote or did write, ye wrote or did write, they wrote or did write.

Perfect

Perfect Tense. .

Sing. I have written, thou hast written, he hath or has written. Plu. We have written, ye have written, they have written.

Pluperfect Tenfe.

Sing. I have written, thou hash written, he had written. Plu. We had written, ye had written, they had written.

INFINITIVE Mode.

Perfect Tenfe.

To have written,

POTENTIAL MODE.

Perfect and Pluperfect Tenfe.

Sing. I might have written, thou might have written, he might have

written. Plu. We might have written, ye might have written, they might have written.

The other Modes and Tenses follow the regular Form.

TO SEE.

Present. Preter. Parti.
See Saw Seen.

INDICATIVE MODE.

Imperfect Tense.

Sing. I faw or did fee, thou fawest or didst fee, he saw or did fee. Plu. We saw or did fee, ye saw or did fee, they saw or did fee.

Perfett Tenfe.

Sing. I have feen, thou hast feen, he hath or has feen. Plu. We have feen, ye have feen, they have feen.

POTEN-

POTENTIAL MODE.

Perfect and Pluperfect Tenses.

Sing. I might have feen, thou mightest have seen, he might have feen. Plu. We might have feen, ye might have feen, they might have feen.

Infinitive Mode.

Perfect Tenfe.

To have feen.

TO GO.

Pref. Preter. Parti. Form.

Go Went Gone.

INDICATIVE MODE.

Imperfect Tenfe.

Sing. I went or did go, thou wentest or didst go, he went or did go. Plu. We went or did go, ye went or did go, they went or did go.

Perfect Tenfe.

Sing. I have gone, thou hast gone, he hath or has gone Plu. We have gone, ye have gone, they have gone.

Pluperfest Tenfe.

Sing. I have gone, thou hast gone, he had gone. Plu. We had gone, ye had gone, they had gone.

POTENTIAL MODE.

Perfect Tenfe.

Sing. I might have gone, thou mighteft have gone, he might have gone.

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Plu. We might have gone, ye might have gone, they might have gone.

INFINITIVE MODE.

Perfect Tenfe.

To have gone.

The participial Form of this Verb is often joined to the neuter Verb, when it refers to the mere Circumstance or Event of Going: as, "He is just gone; He has been gone some Time." The same Thing may be observed of the Verb, To Come.

TO SHINE.

Present. Preter. Parti. Form.
Shine Shone Shined.

INDICATIVE MODE.

Imperfect Tense.

Sing. I shone or did shine, thou didst shine, he shone or did shine. Plu

We shone or did shine, ye shone or did shine, they shone or did shine.

Perfect Tenfe.

Sing. I have shined, thou hast shined, he hath or has shined. Plu. We have shined, ye have shined, they have thined.

Pluperfect Tense.

Sing. I had shined, thou had shined, he had shined. Plu. We had shined, ye had shined, they had shined.

POTENTIAL MODE.

Perfett Tenfe.

Sing. I might have shined, thou mightest have shined, he might have shined. Plu. We might have shined, &c.

INFINITIVE MODE

Perfect Tenfe.

To have shined.

TO LET.

(Signifying to permit or fuffer.)

Present.

Preter.

Let

INDICATIVE MODE.

Present Tense.

Sing. I let, thou lettest, he letteth or lets. Plu, We let, ye let, they let.

Imperfett Tense.

Sing. I did let, thou didft, let, he did let. Plu. We did let, yet did let, they did let.

Perfett

Perfett Tenfe.

Sing. I have let, thou hast let, he hath or has let. Plu. We have let, ye have let, they have let.

Pluperfect Tense.

Sing. I had let, thou hadst let, he had let. Plu. We had let, ye had let, they had let.

Future Tenfe.

Sing. I will let, thou wilt let, he will let. Plu. We will let, ye will let, they will let.

IMPERATIVE MODE.

Sing. Let, or do thou let. Plu. Let, or do ye let.

POTENTIAL MODE.

Present and Future Tenses.

Sing. I may let, thou mayest let,

he may let. Plu. We may let, ye may let, they may let.

Perfect Tenfe.

Sing. I might have let, thou might est have let, he might have let. Plu. We might have let, they might have let, they might have let.

Infinitive Mode.

Pref. To let. Pret. To have let.

This shews that Let is not a Sign of the Imperative Mode, but a real Verb, occasionally used in all Modes and Tenses, joined to some other Verb in the infinitive Mode, either expressed or understood: as, "You will let me do it, I might have let him go."

Let, fignifying to let down &c. may have a passive Participle: as, "I was let down in a Basket."

TO DARE.

(Signifying to venture.)

Present.
Dare

Preter. Durst

INDICATIVE MODE.

Present Tense.

Sing. I dare, thou darest, he dareth or dares. Plu. We dare, ye dare, they dare.

Imperfect Tenfe.

Sing. I durst, thou durst, he durst. Plu. We durst, ye durst, they durst or did dare.

Perfect and pluperfect Tenfes.

Sing. I durft have, thou durft have, he durft have. Plu. We durft have, ye durft have, they durft have.

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Future Tenfe.

Sing. I will dare, thou wilt dare, he will dare. Plu. We will dare, ye will dare, they will dare.

Imperatively.

Dare do it.

Interregatively.

Dare you do it?

The Verb OUGHT is only used in the Indicative.

Present and Future Tenses.

Sing. I ought, thou oughtest, he ought. Plu. We ought, ye ought, they ought.

Preter Tenfe.

Sing. I ought to have, thou oughtest to have, ye ought to have. Plu. We ought to have, they ought to have, they ought to have.

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These two last desective Verbs are used only as above, and always joined to another Verb expressed or understood in the infinitive Mode: as, "I durst have done it. I dare say. Some would even dare to die. I ought to love you. I ought to have gone thither."

DARE (to provoke) is regular.
WOT (to know) and QUOTH
(to fay) are very defective.

INDICATIVE MODE.

Present Tense.

I wot They wot He wotteth Wot ye?

Preter Tenfe.

I wift.
They wift

He wist Wist ye?

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Quoth I

Qouth he.

These two last Verbs are seldom used by late Writers.

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Verse 1.

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a Substantive

a Sign of the Patential Mode

an Adverb

a Verb

a Pronoun

a Preposition

an Adjective

a Pronoun

a Pronoun

a Verb

a Preposition

a Pronoun

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an Adjective

a Substantive

a Sign of the Infinitive Mode

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an Adverb

a Preposition

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a Verb

an Adjective

a Substantive

Preposition

a Pronoun an Adverb

a Substantive

2 Verb

2 Pronoun

a Participle

a Preposition a Pronoun

a Substantive

Verse 2.

And he

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a Pronoun

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Verfe 4.

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a Pronoun a Verb pray a Pronoun you a Conjunction and a Pronoun they a Verb came an Adverb near a Conjunction and a Pronoun he a Verb faid I a Pronoun -2 Verb am. Joseph a Substantive a Pronoun vour brother a Substantive whom a Pronoun a Pronoun ye fold a Verb a Preposition into Egypt a Substantive

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APPLICATION

OF THE

Grammatical Institutes.

For the Use of those who may want the Assistance of a Master.

Part of DAVID's Speech to Go-LIAH the Philistine.

—Thou comest—

THOU, a Pronoun, 24; sing. Number, 4; nom. Case, 25; the Agent of the Verb, 120; the second Person, 56. Comest, a Verb, 30; irregular, 103; indicative Mode, 34; present Tense, 39; sing. Number and second Person, 56; agreeing with its Agent, Thou,

Spear, and with a Shield: But I come to thee—

Thou, 113. To, a Preposition, 108. Me, a Pronoun, 24; accusative Case, 25; following a Preposition, 149. With, a Preposition, 108. A, an Article, 2; fet before a Noun of the fingular Number, and a Word beginning with a Consonant, 110. Sword, a Noun, or Substantive, 3. And, a Conjunction, 107. Spear, and Shield, Nouns, fignifying Things, 3. But, a Conjunction, 107. I, a Pronoun, 24; fing. Number, 4; the nominative Case, 25; the Agent of the Verb, 120; the first Person, 55. Come, a Verb, 30: irregular, 103; indicative Mode, 34; present Tense, 39; first Person sing. Number, 55; agreeing with its Agent, I, 113. Thee, a Pronoun, 24; sing. Number, 4; accufative Cafe, 25; following

NOTE. The same Word occurring a second or third Time, &c. is but once explained, except it has a different Confiruction.

—in the Name of the Lord of Hosts, the God of the Armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. This Day will the Lord deliver—

a Preposition, 149. In, a Preposition, 108. The, an Article, 2. Name, a Noun, 3. Of, a Preposition, 108. Lord, a Noun, referring to a Person, 3. Hosts, a Noun, 3; plural Number, 4; so made by adding s to the Singular, 5. God, a Noun, referring to a Person, 3. Armies, a Noun, 3; plural Number, 4; fo made by changing y into ies, 8. Israel, a Noun, referring to a Person, 3. Whom, a Pronoun, 24; referring to a Person, 144; accu-Sative Case, 26; receiving the Force of the Verb, Defied, 122. Haft, an auxiliary Sign, denoting the Perfect Tenfe, 51. Defied, a Verb, 30; indicative Mode, 34; perfect Tense, 41; formed by changing y into i in the first Person present Tense, and adding ed, 92; second Person fingular Number, 56; agreeing with its Agent, Thou, 113. This, a Pronoun, 24. Day, a Noun, 3. Will, a Sign of the future Tense, 53. Deliver, a Verb, 30; indicative Mode, 34; future Tenfe,

—thee into my Hand, and I will take thy Head from thee.

Tense, 43; singular Number, and third Person, 57; agreeing with its Agent, Lord, 113. Thee, a Pronoun, 24; accufative Case, 25; receiving the Force of the active Verb, Deliver, 122. Into, a Preposition, 108. . My, a Pronoun, 24; fingular Number, 4; genitive Case, 25; denoting Possession, 134. Hand, a Noun, signifying a Thing, 3. Take, a Verb, 30; irregular, 102; indicative Mode, 34; future Tense, 43; first Per-Son singular, 55; agreeing with its Agent, I, 113. Thy, a Pronoun, 24; genitive Case, 25; denoting Possession, 134; fingular Number, 4; joined with a Noun, 135. Head, a Noun, 3. From, a Preposition, 108. Thee, a Pronoun, 24; accufative Cafe, 25; following a Preposition, 149.

The Conclusion of PRIAM's Speech to Achilles, when he begged the Body of his Son Hector.

Think of thy Father, and this Face behold: See him in me, as helpless and as old!

Think, a Verb, 30; irregular, 102; imperative Mode, 35; fingular Number and second Person, 56; agreeing with its Agent, Achilles, understood, 113. Of, a Preposition, 108. Thy, a Pronoun, 24. as before. Father, a Noun, 3. And, a Conjunction, 107. This, a Pronoun, 24, Face, a Noun, 3. Behold, a Verb, 30; irregular, 102; Same Mode, &c. with Think. See, a Verb irregular, Same as Behold. Him, a Pronoun, 24; accufatime Case, 25; receiving the Force of the Verb, See, 122. In, a Preposition, 108. Me, a Pronoun, 24; accusative Case, 25; coming after a Preposition, 149. As, an Adverb, 105. Helpless, Old, and Wretched. Tho' not so wretched: There he yields to me,

The first of Men in sovereign Misery, Thus forc'd to kneel,—

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Thus groveling to embrace
The Scourge and Ruin of my Realm
and Race,

Suppliant my Children's Murderer to implore,

And kiss those hands yet reeking-

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Part of Adam's Speech to Eve.

Sole Partner and fole Part of all these Joys!

Dearer thyself than all! needs must the Power

That made-

Sole, Adjective, 19; fet before ite Noun, 138. Partner, Noun, 3. And, Conjunction, 107. Part, Noun, 3. Of, Preposition, 108. All, Adjective, 19. These, Pronoun, 24; plural Number, 27. Joys, Noun, 3; plural, 4; bg adding s, 5. Dearer, Adjective, 19; comparative Degree, 20; formed by adding er to the positive, 21. Thy-self, Pronoun, 27. Than, Adverb, 105; used in Comparison, 147. Needs, Adverb, 105. Must, Sign of the potential Mode, 48. The, Article, 2. Power, Noun, 3. That, Pronoun, 24. Made, Verb, 30; irregular, 102; indicative Mode, 34; imperfect Tenfe, 40; fingular

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—us, and for us this ample World, Be infinitely Good——

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These are thy glorious Works, Parent of Good!

Almighty! Thine____

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—this univerfal Frame.
—Thyfelf—
To us invisible or dimly seen
In these thy lowest Works.
Speak ye who—

135. This, Pronoun, 24. Universal, Adjective, 19; one that must be compared by the Adverbs, 141. Frame, Noun, 2. Thyself, Pronoun, 24. To, Preposition, 108. Us, Pronoun, 24; plural Number, accufative Cafe, 25; following a Preposition, 149. Invisible, Adjective, 19; one that must be compared by the Adverbs, 141. Or, Conjunction, 107. Dimly, Adverb, 105. Seen, paffive Participle, 101; from the irregular Verb. See, 102. In, Preposition, 108. These, Pronoun, 24; plural Number, 27. Lowest, Adjective, 19; Superlative Degree, formed by adding est to the positive State, 21. Speak, Verb, 30; irregular, 102; imperative Mode, 35; plural Number and second Person, 54; agreeing with its Agent, Ye, 113. Ye, Pronoun, 24; plural Number, nominative Case, 25; the Agent of a Verb, 120. Who, Pronoun, 24; referring to a Person, 144; nominative Case, 26;

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Ye Birds!

Bear on your Wings and in your Notes his Praise.

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To give us only Good: [Milton.]

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Note. Though the proper use of a Conjunction is to connect the Parts of a Discourse together, and of an Adverb to express some Circumstances of an Action, &c. yet in some Instances, the same Word may seem to answer both these Purposes; in which Case it is not very material, whether we call it an Adverb, or a Conjunction.

OF THE

ELLIPSIS.

LLIPSIS, as applied to Grammar, is the Omission of some Word or Words which must be supplied, either to complete the Sense, or to make out the grammatical Construction of the Sentence.

The principal Defign of Ellipsis is to avoid disagreeable Repetitions, as well as to express our Ideas in as few Words, and as pleasing a Manner as possible.

In the Application of this Figure, great Care should be taken to avoid Ambiguity; for whenever it obscures the Sense, it ought by no Means to be admitted.

Almost all compound Sentences are more or less elliptical. The

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The Ellipsis of the Article.

"A Man, Woman, and Child; i. e. "A Man, a Woman, and a Child."

"A Father and Son. The Sun and Moon. The Day and Hour."

In all which Instances the Article being once mentioned, the Repetition of it, unless some peculiar Emphasis requires it, would be unnecessary.

"Not only the Year, but the Day, "and the Hour."

In this Case the Ellipsis of the last Article would be rather improper.

The Ellipsis of the Noun.

"A learned, wife, and good Man; i. e. A learned Man, a wife Man, a wife Man, a and a good Man."

"A prudent and faithful Wife. The Laws of God and Man. The Safety "and Happiness of the State."

In some very emphatical Expressions the Ellipsis should not be admitted; as, "Christ the Power of God, and the Wisdom of God."

" At Saint Jameses. By Saint Paul's."

Here we have a Noun in the genitive Case, and no Word in the Sentence to govern it; the Ellipsis must therefore be supplied to make out the Construction: And yet, in common Conversation at least, it is much better to say, I went by Saint Paul's; "than "I went by Saint Paul's Church."

The Ellipsis of the Adjective.

"A delightful Orchard and Garden;
"i. e. A delightful Orchard and a de"lightful Garden."

"A little Man and Woman. Great "Wealth and Power."

In such elliptical Expressions, the Adjective eught to have exactly the M

fame Signification, and to be quite as proper, when joined to the latter as to the former Substantives; otherwise the Ellipsis should not be admitted.

Nor should we, I think, apply this Ellipsis of the Adjective to Nouns of different Numbers.

"A magnificent House and Gardens."
Better use another Word, "A magnifi"cent House and fine Gardens."

" A tall Man and a Woman."

In this Sentence there is no Ellipfis; the Adjective or Quality respects only the Man.

The Ellipsis of the Pronoun.

" I love and fear Him; i. e. I " love Him, and I fear Him."

"My House and Lands. Thy Learn-"ing and Wisdom. His Wise and "Daughter. Her Lord and Master."

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In all these Instances the Ellipsis may be introduced with Propriety: But if we would be more express and emphatical, it must not be admitted.

"My Lord and my God. My Sons and my Daughters."

"This is the Man they hate. These are the Goods they bought. Are these the Gods they worship? Is this the Woman you saw?"

In such common Forms of Speech, the relative Pronoun is usually omitted: Though for the most Part, especially in complex Sentences, it is much better to have it expressed.

"In the Posture I lay. In the Way I went. The Horse I rode fell down."

Better say, "The Posture in which I "lay. The Way in which I went. The Horse on which I rode fell down."

The Antecedent and the Relative connect the Parts of a Sentence toge-

ther, and should, to prevent Consussion and Obscurity, answer to each other with great Exactness..

"We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen."

The Ellipsis, in such Instances, is manifestly improper: Let it therefore be supplied. "We speak that which we do know, and testify that which we have seen.

The Relative, what, in the neuter Gender, seems to include both the Antecedent and the Relative. "This is what you speak of; i.e. The Thing which you speak of."

The ELLIPSIS of the VERE,

"I The Man was old and crafty;
"i. e. The Man was old, and the Man
"was crafty."

"She is young, and rich, and beautiful. Thou art poor, and wretched, and miserable, and blind, and naked."

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But if we would, in fuch Enumerations, point out one Property above the rest, let that Property be put last, and the Ellipsis supplied.

- "She is young and beautiful, and "fhe is rich."
- "I recommend the Father and "Son. We faw the Town and "Country. He rewarded the Women and Children."
- "You ought to love and serve him.
 "I desire to hear and learn. He went
 "to see and hear; i. e. He went
 "to see, and he went to hear."

In which last Instances there is not only an Ellipsis of the governing Verb, but likewise of the Sign of the Infinitive Mode which is governed by it.

And here it may not be amiss to observe, that some Verbs, through Custom at least, seem to require the Ellipsis of this Sign.

"I bid you rife and go. He made me go and do it. I heard him curfe and swear. I faw her go that Way, You need not speak. Would you have me call?"

In all which Instances the Sign of the Infinitive Mode would be improper,

The Ellipsis of the Adverb, Preposition, Conjunction, and Interjection.

"He spake and acted wifely. They is sing and play most delightfully. She foon found and acknowledged her Mistake. Thrice I went and offered my Service;" that is, "Thrice I went, and thrice I offered my Service."

"They confess the Power, Wisdom, Goodness, and Love of their
Creator; i. e. The Power, and Wisdom, and Goodness, and Love."

"May I speak of Power, Wisdom, Goodness, Truth?"

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The entire Ellipsis of the Conjunction, as in the last Instance, occurs but seldom: In some particular Cases, however, it may have its Propriety.

"Though I love, I do not adore him. Though he went up, he could fee Nothing; i. e. Though I love him, yet I do not adore him,"

"I defire you would come to me, "He faid he would do it; i.e. He "faid that he would do it."

These Conjunctions may be sometimes omitted; but, for the most Part, it is much better to express them.

There are several Parts of Correspondent Conjunctions, or such as answer to each other in the Construction of a Sentence, which should be carefully observed, and perhaps never suppressed.

That answering to fo. "It is fo ob"vious that I need not mention it."

As answering to so. "The City of Bristol is not n ar so large as that of London."

So answering to as. "As is the Priest, so are the People."

As answering to as. "She is as tall as you."

Nor answering to neither. " Neither " the one nor the other."

Or answering to either. "Either" this Man or that Man."

Or answering to whether. "Whether it were I or you."

Yet answering to though or although. "Though she was young, yet she was 'not handsome."

PREPOSITIONS are often suppressed.

"He went into the Churches, Halls, "and public Buildings: Through the "Streets and Lanes of the City: He " pake

" spake to every Gentleman and Lady of the Place; i. e. To every Gentle" man and to every Lady."

"I did him a Kindness. He brought me the News. She gave him the Letters; i. e. She gave to him the Letters."

The Ellipsis of the Interjection is not very common.

" O Pity and Shame!" Milton.

EXAMPLES of the Ellipsis.

"If good Manners will not justify my long Silence, Policy, at least, will. And you must confess, there is some Prudence in not owning a Debt one is incapable of paying."

If good Manners will not justify my long silence, Policy at least will, justify it. And you must confess, that, there is some Prudence in not owning a Debt, which, one is incapable of paying.

Fitzosborne's Letters.

"He will often argue, that if this Part of our Trade were well cultivated, we should gain from one Nation; and if another, from another."

He will often argue, that if this Part of our Trade were well cultivated, we should gain from one Nation; and if another, Part of our Trade were well cultivated, we should gain, from another, Nation,

Addison's Spect.

"Could the Painter have made a Picture of me, capable of your Con"versation, I should have fat to him
"with more Delight than ever I did
"to any Thing in my Life,"

Could the Painter have made a Picture of me, which could have been, capable of your Conversation, I should have sat to him with more Delight than ever I did, sit, to any Thing in my Life.

Mr. Locke to Mr. Molyneux.

A few instances in which perhaps all possible elliptical Words are supplied.

"You

"You must renounce the Conversation of your Friends, and every civil
Duty of Life, to be concealed in
gloomy and unprofitable Solitude."

You must renounce the Conversation of your Friends, and, you must renounce, every civil Duty of Life, to be concealed in gloomy, Solitude, and, you must renounce the Conversation of your Friends, and you must renounce every eivil Duty of Life, to be concealed in, unprofitable Solitude.

Fitzosborne's Letters.

"When a Man is thoroughly per-"fuaded that he ought neither to ad-"mire, wish for, or pursue any Thing

" but what is actually his Duty; it is

"not in the Power of Seasons, Perfons, or Accidents, to diminish his

" Value."

When a Man is thoroughly persuaded that he ought neither to admire, any Thing but what is actually his Duty to admire, and when a Man is thoroughly persuaded that he ought neither to wish for any Thing but what is actually his Duty

to wish fer, or, when a Man is thoroughly persuaded that he ought not to pursue any Thing but what is actually his Duty, to pursue; it is not in the Power of Seasons, to diminish his Value, and it is not in the Power of Persons, to diminish his Value, or it is not in the Power of Accidents, to diminish his Value.

Addison's Spect.

The following Instances are produced to shew the Impropriety of Ellipsis, in some particular Cases.

"That learned Gentleman, if he had read my Essay quite through, would have found several of his Obigedions might have been spared."

It should have been-Would have found, that, several of his Objections, &c.

"I scarce know any Part of Natural Philosophy would yield more Variety and Use."

Note. Or, which occurs twice in the elliptical Sentence above, is rather an Impropriety; it should have been ner.

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-Any Part of Natural Philosophy, which, would yield more Variety and Use.

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"You and I cannot be of two Opi-" nions; nor, I think, any two Men, " used to think with Freedom."

-Nor, I think, any two Men, who are, used to think with Freedom.

Mr. Locke to Mr. Molyneux.

Some Sentences which feem to differ from the common Forms of Construction accounted for on the Supposition of Ellipsis.

"By preaching Repentance.
"preaching of Repentance. By the

Both these are supposed to be proper and synonymous Expressions, and I cannot but think, the former is an Ellipsis of the latter, in which the Article and the Preposition are both suppressed by Custom. Digitized by Google **By**

By Preaching of Repentance, and, By the Preaching Repentance, are both judged to be improper. These Sentences are partly elliptical, and partly not so, and from hence the Impropriety seems to arise. Preaching, in either Form, is a Substantive distinguished by the Sense, and a Preposition presixt to it: Nor is the Noun following governed by the supposed verbal Force of the Word, Preaching, but by the Preposition expressed or understood.

"Well is Him. Wo is me. Wo unto

These Sentences are all elliptical, and partly explain each other.

Well is it for Him. Wo is to me. Wo is unto you.

To have Recourse to a supposed dative Case is therefore quite unnecessary.

"My Father is greater than I. She loves him better than me."

My Father is greater than I am. She loves him better than fle loves me.

To let Blood. To let down."

To let out Blood; or, To let Blood out. To let it fall or slide down.

"To go a Fishing. To go a Hunt-

To go a Fishing Voyage. To go on a Hunting Party.

"To walk a Mile. To fleep all, "Night."

To walk through the Space of a Mile. To fleep through all the Night.

"A hundred Sheep. A thousand "Men."

A Flock of one Hundred Sheep. A Company of one Thousand Men.

"That Man has a Hundred a Year."

That Man has an Income of a Hundred Pounds in a Year.

"A few Men. A great many "Men."

A Hundred, a Thousand, Few, Many, are to be considered as collective Nouns, and distinguished as such by the singular Article.

Men. A great many (i. e. a great Number) of Men. A great many (i. e. a great Number) of Men.

"He is the better for you. The deeper the Well, the clearer the Water."

An Article feems, for the most Part, to be the Sign of a Noun either expressed or understood; and the above Sentences may be resolved thus:

He is the better Man for you. The deeper Well, the Well is, the clearer Water, the Water is.

"He descending, the Doors being "shut."

This is commonly called the Cafe or State absolute, and, in English, the Pronoun must be in the Nominative. The Sentence seems to be elliptical, and the Meaning is,

While he was descending, while the Doors were shut.

"He came into this World of ours."

"I am justified in publishing any Letters of Mr. Locke's."

In the first of these Instances the genitive Case of the Pronoun comes after the Preposition, but cannot be governed by it, for then it would be the Accusative: It must therefore be governed by some other Word understood in the Sentence.

He came into this World of our Dwelling, Habitation, &c.

And then omitting the Noun it will be, This World of ours, by the common Rules of Construction.

The other Sentence may be explained after the same Manner.

I am justified in publishing any Letters of Mr. Locke's Writing, Correspondence, &c. i. e. of the Writing or Correspondence of Mr. Locke.

The Use of the genitive Case, in such Instances, seems to be a little uncouth. And here I cannot but observe, that though, on some occasions, the Genitive has its Propriety and Elegance, yet it should, in the General, be used with Caution, and much more sparingly, perhaps, than some Authors have done.

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EXERCISES* of bad English, to be corrected for the Improvement of the young Scholar.

EXERCISE I.

Hates, thou doth laugh, he dost play; we weepeth, ye does walk, they doth read.

I art trying, thou is idling, he are talking; we art going, ye is feeking, they am tarrying.

I didst ask, thou denied, he performeds; we did demanded, ye did sleeps, they didst return.

* The Learner is defired to take Notice, that such Words, as in these Exercises require Correction, will be found printed in Italics.

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I wast marching, thou were writing, he wast exercised; we was passing, ye wast speaking, they was running.

EXERCISE II.

Hast heard, thou hath broken, he have behaved; we has belied, ye hath sworn, they has counterfeited.

I hath been betrayed, thou has been deceived, he have been tempted; we has been compared, ye hath been taken, they has been despised.

I hadst escaped, thou had been condemned, he hadst been confounded; we shalt deliver, ye shalt have possessed, they wilt succeed.

I mayest continue, thou will enlarge, he mighest have blest; we shouldest envy, he oughtest to hath finished, they shalt hath entertained.

EXERCISE III.

HE Drums beats. The Dog bark.
Birds flies. The Child are crying. The Parrot chatter. Cats mews.
The Mice is playing.

Many Days has past. I were very forrowful. My Father wast angry. Such Persons is much esteemed. Virtue gain Credit.

I and my Sister walks often together. Thou and thy Cousin is always wrangling. Honour and Respect waits on Goodness.

This Fellows wilt be troublesome. My Mother loves him better than I. John deliverest the Letter to thou. That is the Man, who thou saw Yesterday.

EXERCISE IV.

THIS Book is more thicker than thine. She is the most wfest of the three. Get me your Brother Knife. That wilt add to your Son Disgrace. It is a most shockingest Thing.

Years flides fast away, and old Age ereep on apace. Use make Artists, and insensibly give Dexterity. Flattery are odious, but have many Admirer. Vices imitates Virtues, and by that Means deceives us. Prosperity hast numerous Followers, but Adversity bring Contempt.

Whilst we was hunting, ye was studying. She have always highly valued thou, though thou has not believed it. They fays that the King am coming, and that he wilt make a grand Appearance.

EXERCISE V.

A Wise Man wilt hear, and will increaseth Learning; and a Man of Understanding shalt attains unto wise Counsels.

My Son, forgets not my Law, but let thine Heart keeps my Commandments.

Withholds not Good from they to who it art due, when it are in the Power of thine Hand to does it.

Hear, ye Child, the Instruction of a Father, and attendeth to knows Understanding.

Keepeth thy Hearts with all Diligence, for out of it is the Issues of Life.

EXERCISE VI.

O to the Ant, thou Sluggards; confidereth her Ways, and be wife.

Wisdom are betterer than Rubies; and all the Thing that mayest be desired is not to be compared unto it.

Treasure of Wisdom profit Nothing; but Righteousness deliverest from Death.

The merciful Man do good to his own Soul; but he, that are cruel, trouble his own Flesh.

Children Children is the Crown of old Men; and the Glory of Children, is their Fathers.

EXERCISE VII.

THE Lord know the Way of the righteous; and the Way of the ungodly shalt perisheth.

Let we break their Bonds asunder, and casts away their Cords from us.

My Soul are fore troubled; but, Lord, how long will thou punisheth 1?

The wicked shalt be turn into Hell, and all the People that forgets God.

Consider and heareth me, O Lord, my God; lightenest mine Eye, that I seeps not in Death,

EXERCISE VIII.

OD art our Hope and Strength; a very present Helps in Trouble.

No Man mayest deliver his Brother; nor makes Agreement unto God for them.

Verily there are a Reward for the righteous; doubtless there is a God that judge the Earth.

Thou crowneth the Year with thy Goodness; and thy Clouds drops Fatness.

I knows, O Lord, that thy Judgments is right; and that thou of very Faithfulness have cause me to be troubled.

EXERCISE IX.

VIRTUE both give Quiet of Life, and takest away the Ter-

There are Nothing so easy, but it becomes hard when thou does it with an unwilling Minds.

Nothing delight me fo much as the Work of God.

To be always happy are to be ignorant of one Parts of the Thing of Nature.

They art free from Fear, whom has done Nothing amiss: but they, who hast committed Sin, always thinks Punishment hover before his Eyes.

Pleasure and Amusement, pursued with Moderation, is as requisite for the

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the Preservations of Health, as Heat, Air, and Moitture. is for the Growth of Plants and Flowers,

EXERCISE X.

NOWLEDGE, which are feparated from Justice. are to be call Crastr rather than Wisdom.

The Ignorance of Youth oughtest to be directed by the Experience of old Man.

Whatever thou shall undertake, always imagines that God stand a Witnesses of the Actions.

Let we despite earthly Thing, and thinkest upon that who are heavenly and divine.

Without Chastity, however fair the Bodies mayest be, it cannot is amiable.

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Does not thou composest thy Eyes to Sleep, before thou have revolved on all the Action of the Days past.

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debted to their Teachers for the good and wife Instruction that are given him, than they is to their Parents which brought st them into Existence:

When the Amounts of all earthly 'Acquirements art duly confider, it will be found to be very little, if any Things, more than—Vanity and Vexutions.

We wert born for Society and the Community of Mankind, and therefore fhouldest contribute as much as are in our Power to the common Benefits.

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Eitter Enemies deserves much better of us than those pretended Friend, which would enticeth us into Wickedness.

EXERCISE XII.

THE due Management of the carly Part of Life are of fuch fingular Importance to the future Welfare of Men, that he are usually good or bad according to the good or bad Principle they then imbibes.

Person of high Spirit strive to conceal his Grief and Distress from the World as much as he are able; not because they wishes to be deemed insensible of Feeling, but because they wouldest appears to suffereth with Firmness, rather than becomes the Object of Pity, which, whilst it mayest brings Relief, banish Admiration.

It are one great Provinces of Reafon to suppresses sanguine Expectations from any Thing below; since many unforeseen Accident may overthroweth in a Momests those Scheme, which had been formeth for Years with Care, Deliberation, and Secresy.

EXERCISE XIII.

IT are report of Hercules, that, when he grow up towards Manhood, they went into a lonely Places, and there fit down deliberated with herself a long Times, whether he shouldst gave himself up to the Way of Virtue or Pleafure.

Plato wroteth to Archytas, that he were born not for himself alone, but likewise for his Countries and his Friend.

Pythagoras.

Pythagoras thoughteth them to be a Wickedness that Body shouldst be fatten by Bodies, or that ones Animal should be supporteth by the Deaths of another.

When a Persons once offereth to teaches Themistocles the Arts of remembered all Thing, Themistocles repliest, that he wouldst does her a much more acceptable Favors, if he would taught him how to forget those Things, who he wished not to remembers.

EXERCISE XIV.

A LEXANDER was at length convince, how much more happier he were which covetedst Nothing, than he who require the Government of the whole Worlds.

It were a Sayings of Demetrius, that no ones was a more unhappier Person than

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than he, to who no Adversity hadst ever happening.

Notwithstanding Xerxes was replenisheth with all the Blessing of Body and Fortunes, yet, not content therewith he proposeth a Reward to him, which should invents a new Kinds of Pleasure.

The Athenians, though the wife and most learned/t of all the Greeks, condemned/t Socrates to dies, because he teached the Unity of God, and the Spirituality of the Worships that are due to him.

Isocrates used to calls Boy of a ready Genius the Son of the Gods.

EXERCISE XV.

Deluge, Hunting feem to hast be one of the principal Employment of Mankinds, on Account of the great Number

Number of wild Beast with whom the World then abounds. Nimrod displaying particular Skill and Activity in this Exercises, were advances to great. Honour, and at length acquireth such an Supremacy over his Cotemporary, as to be enable to founds the Cities of Babylon, and establisheth the first Monarchy of who History make Mention.

The Religion of Antiquity, who prevails the longest, and extendest the farthest, wast the Doctrines of a Plurality of God, and seem to hast acquired their Instuence in the rudest Age of Society, while the Effort of Reason wert seedle, and Imagination and Passion direct the Conducts.

The Phenician have been univerfally allows by Pagan Writer to be the first People, which cultivateth the Art subservient to Navigation.

EXERCISE XVI.

Taste for what were superb and magnificent seem to has been the distinguish Character of the Egyptians, Babylonian, and Assyrians, which he chiefly displayeth in their Work of Architecture, though without any Pretensions to Elegances.

The History of the Roman Emperors present we with a Set of Wretch, that, if we excepts only a few, were an absolute Disgraces to human Nature.

The Greeks wast the first Person, which hadst the happy Arts of uniting Beauty to Magnificence, and Elegance of Grandeur. Composition also, in a great Variety of Branch, were carry by him to a Degrees of Persection, of which sew Modern can forms a tolerable Idea; whilst Philosophy were cultivate with singular Success. And that his active was not inserior.

to their speculative Talents, appear plainly from the several famous Statesmen and Warrior which at different Period Springs up amongst them.

EXERCISE XVII.

In the Reigns of David, the Descendant of Aaron had multiply to such a Degree, that they couldst not all did. Duty in the Temple at once; he therefore divided bim into twenty-four Course, and ordains that they should ministered weekly by Turn.

So greatly prejudiced was the Jews against the Heathens around him, that they fancied the very Dust of any of their Country pollute them; and therefore use to wipes their Feet at the Borders of his own Land, lest be should defileth the whole inheritance

In many Part of the East it Lave long be an usual Thing to has at Feasts a airy Kinds of Music accompany with Dancing:

Dancing; but at Funeral, melancholy Airs, joins with the Lamentations of Person, chiefly Woman, hired for the Purpose.

EXERCISE XVIII.

NGLAND, being wash by the Sea on three of it Side, is exempted from that Extremes of Heats and Cold, to which other Country, lying under the same Degree of Latitude, art expose; and, on this Accounts, is favourable to the Longevity of their Inhabitant in general.

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China are said to be divide into fifteen Province, each of whom, for their Extent, Fruitfulness, Riches, and Populousness, might well be reckon a Kingdoms of themselves. The Account, however, who us yet have of this vast Empires, are suspecting to is far from true.

Galilee wast divided into two Part, whereof the upper was calleth Galilee

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of the Gentile, because they border upon the Gentile Nations, and was in some Measure inhabits by them. The whole Country were situate to the North of Palestine, and, as Josephus inform us, exceedingly populous and fruitful.

EXERCISE XIX.

THE principal Cause of Idolatry amongst the Heathens were sour: the first of whose were, the excessive Folly, and Vain-glory of Man; the second, the abject Flattery of Subject towards his Prince; the third, an immoderate Loves of Immortality; and the sourth, an extravagant Delire of perpetuates the Remembrance of good and excellent Man.

As the Romans People was distributeth into three Rank, namely, that of Senators or Nobleman, Knight or Gentlemen, and Plebeian or Citizen; so was the Roman Gods also divides into three Class.

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The first Classes is that of the Superior, Select, or Celestial God, and were twenty in Numbers; twelve whereof was stile Consentes, because, in Matter of great Moments, Jupiter admittedst him into their Council; the second Class contains such, as were deify on Account of his Merit; the third, those whose Virtue rendered him somewhat superior to Mortal, though not equal to the others God.

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