

Decency & Propriety of manners are so far from lessening the pleasures of Life that they refine them & give them a higher Relish — They are so far from restraining it face & easy commerce of Social Life — that they banish the care of it — Sincerity of manners —

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good Humour is a most essential ingredient to human Happiness — He who is possess'd of it cannot be quite wretched — in the most untoward Situation of human affairs — in the most forlorn Circumstances of Life — a good humoured mind will find something to be pleased with — something to be glad at — It will even take a pleasure in accommodating itself to its present circumstances — It will feel a certain degree of elevation in doing all in its power to help forward the plan of the Chief Ruler of the Universe — It will consider every dispensation of Providence as the Order of the Commander in Chief — which it will submit to with a cheerful ready Obedience — & the more difficult the duty the more will it think itself honoured by being chosen for an arduous undertaking — It will step forward with alacrity & spirit in the way etc.