

SEAT OF THE MUSES.

A MORAL SONNET.

Translated from the Italian of LEONARDO DA VINCI.

THE man who cannot what he would attain,
Within his power his wish should refrain:
The wish of Folly o'er that bound aspires,
But Wisdom by it limits her desires.

Since all our joys so close on sorrows run,
We know not what to chuse or what to shun;
Let all our wishes still our duty meet,
Nor banish Reason from her awful seat.

Nor is it always best for man to will
E'en what his pow'rs can reach; some latent ill
Beneath a fair appearance may delude,
And make him rue what earnest he pursu'd.

Then, Reader, as you scan this simple page,
Let this one care your ev'ry thought engage,
(With self-esteem and gen'ral love 'tis fraught,)
With only pow'r to do—just what you ought.

ANECDOTE of Sir Christopher Wren, and the building of St. Paul's.—When Sir Christopher was describing the ground-plot of St. Paul's, he spoke to a man to bring him something to mark a particular spot. The man took up a fragment of a tomb, lying among the ruins, and inscribed—Refurgam, "I shall rise again." Sir Christopher was struck with the inscription the moment he saw it, and interpreted it as a good omen. The event was answerable, as he lived to see the church finished. The fragment was supposed to be from the tomb of Bishop King, whom James I. used to call the "King of Preachers."

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