

Vicissitude of things.	The rising ^sunn^ sees one man at y ^e highest top of honour, & those subjects proud y ^t had y ^e honour to kiss his feete; & yet ere his biurnal progress ends, he is y ^e scorne of fortune. Nothing's more uncertaine then y ^t power, w ^{ch} stands not on it's proper basis, but borrows its foundation.
Ambition .	Ambition is y ^e maker of greate minds, & nurse of honour.
Desert & Vertue.	Value desert & vertus, they are jewells fitt for a princely wearing worth & wearing.
‡‡‡	Adulterate mettalls neede the goldsmiths art to sett them of; but what in it selfe is perfect contemns a borrowed gloss.
Jealousie.	Unnecessary jealousies make more whores then all baits else laid to entrapp womens frailties.
Discretion & hardy valour	Discretion & hardy valour are y ^e twins of honour, & nursed together make a conqueror, divided but a talker.
Provident men.	All provident men measure their intents according to their power, & so dispose them.
Credit.	Slow credit is y ^e best child of knowledge: & best friend of truth
Mischiefe.	M ais cheife against goodness aimed is like a stone unna= turally forced up an imminent hill, whose weight falls on y ^e actors of it & buries them.
Discording brothers .	Discording brothers are like mutual legs supplanting one y ^e other.
Wealth & virtue.	Wealth & honours compar'd to vertue are but as Cyphers to make y ^e number greater.
Discretion.	Valour's best companion is staid discretion.
Laconical sayings.	Laconicall sayings y ^t is short & sententious.
poets	All poets steale from Homer; he spurs, they lick it up
To know a foole	Three speciall waies to finde a foole by. 1 He y ^t seeks y ^t he can never finde. 2 He y ^t seeks y ^t , w ^{ch} being found will do him more harme then good. 3 He, y ^t having variety of waies to bring him to w his journeyes end, takes y ^t w ^{ch} is worst.
Books	The number of books be without number, & presses oppres sed.
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matchles Mother. by whose tender & godly care thy Infancy was governed together with thy late Educacion vnder so zealous & perexcellant a Tutor puts me rather in assurance then hope *that* thou art not ignorant of *that* Summum bonum *which* ys only able to make thee happy as well in thy death as lief. I meane the true knowledge & *worshipp* of thy Creator & Redeemer *without which* all other things are vayne & myserable. So that thy youth beinge gouerned by so all-sufficient a teacher I make no doubt but that he will furnysh thee both with diuyn & morall vertues. Yet *that* I may not cast of the care beseeming a Parent towards his childe or *that* thou shouldst - have cause to deryve thy whole felicity & wellfare rather from others then from whence thou re= ceyvedst thy byrth & beinge I thinke yt fitt & - agreeable to thaffection I beare thee to helpe thee with such aduertisemtes & rules for the Squaringe of thy lief as are gayned rather by longe - experyence thru much readinge, to thende *that* thou enteringe into this exorbitant age maiest be the better *prepared* to shun those cautelous courses wherevnto the world & thy lacke of - experyence may easylie draw thee. And bycause I would not confound thy memory I have reduced them into tenne *preceptes* & next vnto Moyses Tables yf thou ymprint them in thy mynd thou shalt reape the benefitt & I the content.

& these they be. /

Laws are y^e ligaments of a state, or y^e arteries whereby y^e bleud is directed & strengthened to ~~men~~ run through all y^e veins in proportion, though nature allows some to have greater quantity then others.

Laws

Rome now is descended to Campus Martius

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