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INTRODUCTION.

IN the little work of which the present is a continuation, or Second Part, numerous examples have been given of the successful pursuit of knowledge, or mental cultivation, under all the ordinary difficulties of situation and circumstances. It has been shown that an ardent love of improvement will surmount or force its way through almost any barriers. Extreme poverty, the humblest or most menial condition of life, the most uncongenial of occupations, the hardest struggle for daily bread, the most incessant and engrossing calls and cares of business or professional duty, the temptations that beset wealth and rank, the impediments interposed by bodily disease or debility and in many cases by the absolute deprivation of one or more of the organs of sense, have all been again and again triumphed over and