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The face of John Moseley alone, at times, exhibited evidences of care and thought, and at such moments it might be a subject of doubt whether he thought the most of Grace Chatterton or her mother: if the latter, the former was sure to lose ground in his estimation; a serious misfortune to John, not to be able to love Grace without alloy.

His letters from her brother mentioned his being still at Denbigh Castle, in "Westmoreland, the seat of his friend the Duke of Derwent; and John thought one or two of his encomiums on Lady Harriet Denbigh, the sister of his Grace, augured that the unkindness of Emily might in time be forgotten.

The dowager and her daughters were at the seat of a maiden aunt in Yorkshire, where, as John knew no male animal was allowed admittance, he was tolerably easy at the disposition of things.

Nothing but legacy-hunting ho knew would induce the dowager to submit to such a banishment from the oilier sex; but that ivas so preferable to husband-buntiug he was satisfied "I wish," said John mentally, as he finished the perusal of his letter, " mother Chatterton would get married herself, and sho might let Kate and Grace manage for themselves.

Kate would do very well, I dare say, and how would Grace make out! " John sighed, and whistled for Dido and Rover. In the manners of Colonel Egerton there was the same general disposition to please, and the same unremitted attention to the wishes and amusements of Jane.

They had renewed their poetical investigations, and Jane eagerly

encouraged a taste which afforded her delicacy some little coloring for the indulg...

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