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INSTANT DESIRE.—When Dr. Franklin was asked why those who had acquired more wealth than was sufficient for all the purposes of comfort, should still desire to increase it! "Because, said he, avarice is the most natural and common of all the human passions." He illustrated this assertion by giving a large apple too child then in the room. The moment it was taken he offered it another, which was likewise received—and before it could dispose of either he presented a third. The child vainly tried to hold them in its little hands—and at last in a passion of tears, threw itself and the fruit on the floor! "Is not," said he, "this child the political baby who grasps at more than it can enjoy, and will find instant desires terminate in disappointment?"

VASTNESS OF THE UNIVERSE.—Professor Hitchcock, in one of his popular scientific works, has aptly illustrated the vastness of the Universe.—Light although apparently visible instantaneously, really requires an applicable time to travel. A flash of lightning occurring on earth would not be visible on the moon till a second and a quarter afterwards; on the sun till eight minutes; at the planet Jupiter, when at its greatest distance from us, till fifty-two minutes; on Uranus till two hours; in Neptune till four hours and a quarter, on the Star of Vega, of the first magnitude, till forty-five years; and stars of the twelfth magnitude till one hundred and [illegible] years—and stars of [illegible] magnitude through telescopes [illegible] that, with better instruments [illegible] magnitude might be [illegible] confidently say that [illegible] would not reach the earth till more than six thousand years. Light is not equal to that which has been man's creation. Here is vastness in the capacity of the mind to contemplate.

THE AUTHORSHIP OF JUNIUS.—One Summer day, at a dinner party at Holland House, the guests, among whom were Francis and Rogers were, previous to the dinner bell, sauntering in the open conservatory and terrace below, and in one of the promenades the Junius secret become the subject of conversation; and Lord H. suggested to the banker that it would be an excellent opportunity to put the interrogatory flatly to the suspected man. But Francis happened to overhear the plot, and a few minutes after, as Rogers was sidling towards him, he threw himself in an attitude of violent defiance, and exclaimed, "By Heaven, Sir, if you dare to ask me any questions, regardless of where we are, I will fell you to the earth!" The little poet quickly enough shrank back appalled; but when playfully asked, after dinner, (in the absence of Francis,) if he had discovered the author, replied, 'I cannot say whether or not Francis is Junius, but he has quite convinced me he is a Brutus.'—*Jordan's Autobiography.*

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