

was not justice which gave either the one instinct or the other ; but justice teaches each man to bear respect to that instinct in another, which he feels to be of powerful operation in his own bosom.

24. It is in virtue of my sentient nature that I am so painfully alive to the violence done upon my own body, as to recoil from the infliction of it upon myself. And it is in virtue of my moral nature, that alive to the pain of other bodies than my own, I refrain from the infliction of it upon them. It is not justice which gives the sensations ; but justice pronounces on the equal respect that is due to the sensations of all. Neither does justice give the sensations of property, but it finds them and pronounces on the respect which each owes to the sensations of all the rest. It was not justice which gave the personal feeling ; neither is it justice which gives the possessory feeling. Justice has nothing to do with the process by which this body came to be my own ; and although now, perhaps, there is not a property, at least in the civilized world, which may not have passed into the hand of their actual possessors, by a series of purchases, over which justice had the direction —yet there was a time when it might have been said, that justice has had nothing to do with the process by which this garden came to be my own ; and yet, then as well as now, it would have been the utterance of a true feeling, that he who touches this garden, touches the apple of mine eye. And