

of certain events, than one whose attention is more divided. It may be observed of the lower orders in general, that their memory for the same reason, of matters within their own sphere of comprehension, is often more clear than that of persons better educated and informed.

I remember the case of a negro who resided near Bury St. Edmunds, who was an educated man, and published a volume of poems by subscription, which did him no discredit.\* Hence, it is evident that there is a difference of capacity in negroes as well as whites, which admits of improvement from instruction and study, when they come among civilized people. Little stress will be laid on the parasite of the negroes,† being specifically distinct from that which infests the whites, when we reflect that the horse and the ox have different insect parasites and assailants in different climates. There is a time fixed upon in the divine counsels when the curse shall cease; and it will then be found that by reversing the course that has degraded so many nations, the apostacy, namely, from God to idolatries of the most debasing kind, which has yielded them up a prey to sensuality, clouded their understandings, and, instead of universal good-will, has taught them to regard those that are not of their own tribe or caste as objects of just hatred and injury;—when this course has been reversed and they are brought back to God, which will take place in his time and at his word; and by the means and instruments that he empowers and commissions,‡ they will become more elevated in their character, and assume a higher rank among the nations: and they will make good their claim to the same inheritance with the other members of the Christian family. He who decreed the end, decrees also the means. “*When the Lord gave the word, great was the company of*

\* He was called Ignatius Sancho.

† *Pediculus Nigritarum.*

‡ See Appendix, Note 16.