

requisite time, if they had been previously accustomed to enjoy them. The employer regards the employed as mere instruments of gain, while these acquire a gross ferocity of character, which, if legislative measures shall not be judiciously devised to prevent its increase, and ameliorate the condition of this class, will sooner or later plunge the country into formidable and perhaps inextricable state of danger. Man so circumstanced sees all around him hurrying forward, at a mail-coach speed, to acquire individual wealth, regardless of him, his comforts, his wants, or even his sufferings, except by way of a degrading, parish charity, fitted only to steel the heart of man against his fellows, or to form the tyrant and the slave. They know not what relaxation means, except by the actual cessation from labour.