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THE inconvenient arrangement of the former CATALOGUES having been much complained of, as tending to prolong and perplex the enquiry after particular authors, and affording no general view of the different subjects contained in the library, the following plan was suggested, and it is hoped will be more satisfactory.

In conformity to the general delineation of human science, laid down by Bacon, and afterwards illustrated and enlarged by D'Alembert, the books have been divided into three classes, corresponding with the three great divisions of the mental faculties—Memory, Reason and Imagination.

It has been attempted to render the subdivisions of the several classes sufficiently ample, to combine only those which proceeded from a common source, and could not be separated without difficulty, and to adapt the arrangement rather to the science than the subject.

The arrangement will not, perhaps, escape censure, nor the books appear to have been always classed with propriety; but, it should be remembered, that little less than an universal acquaintance with them was competent to a task of the kind, which, although it required an uninterrupted dedication of time and talents, was to be executed by those on whom it was devolved, in the occasional intervals of other duties, with minds frequently wearied by other labors.

A number of the following volumes having been presented by the friends of the institution, the names of the donors are inserted; many, however, which have been omitted in the catalogue last published will not appear in the present one—a circumstance which was discovered too late to be remedied. The liberal bequests of the late William Logan, Esquire, are distinguished by the Italic letter *L*.

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