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[1] For a young man destined for the Civil Service in Bengal, the most essential objects of study are the Oriental Languages: Sanscrit, especially, which is a key to every Indian Dialect, & Persian which is the language of business in India. As the Judicial branch is the principal one of that Service, it is desirable that his attention should be directed to Jurisprudence, & Some elementary reading of civil law, or attending an introductory Course or two. Mathematics should not be neglected. The study strengthens the mind; and the knowledge always comes to some use. A certain proficiency in Greek and Latin Classics is required at Halybury, Arithmetic of course.

[2] It does not occur to Specify any thing else; but to say generally, the more his attainments are, the better, for in the Multifarious employments of India, there is no foreseeing what may be called for. Every Sort of Liberal knowledge, has its utility. In the particular circumstances I should Suggest Sanscrit as the primary object; with German, & French, keeping up Classical studies, & joining to them, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geomaty, and Natural Philosophy; & if there be time, Logic & Elements of Civil Law. I do not speak of other matters, as Chemistry, natural History &[£] concluding there would not be time to enter upon them. I believe Lectures are given on History. Belles Lettres &[£] [3] Such courses of Lectures, it would be advantageous for the Student to attend.

Concerning accomplishments, I shall only observe that drawing is a very advantageous one. -

[4] Copy of M^f Colebrookes
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