

There's mercy in every place;  
 And mercy (encouraging thought)}  
 Gives even affliction a grace,  
 And reconciles man to his lot.

COWPER.

## LESSON LXXV.

## THE LOST CAMEL.

der-vis	jew-els	sor-cer-er
mer-chant	ca-di	calm-ness
par-ti-cu-lar-ly	e-vi-dence	sus-pi-cions
pro-ba-bil-i-ty	ad-duce	herb-age

A dervis was journeying alone in the desert, when two merchants suddenly met him. "You have lost a camel," said he to the merchants. "Indeed we have," they replied. "Was he not blind in his right eye, and lame in his left leg?" said the dervis. "He was," replied the merchants. "Had he lost a front tooth?" said the dervis. "He had," rejoined the merchants. "And was he not loaded with honey on one side, and wheat on the other?" "Most certainly he was," they replied; "and as you have seen him so lately, and marked him so particularly, you can, in all probability, conduct us to him." "My friends," said the dervis, "I have never seen your camel, nor ever heard of him, but from yourselves." "A pretty story, truly!" said the merchants; "but where are the jewels which formed a part of his