## Chapter 20

VVine is a luxurious thing, \& drunkenes tu- Sobrietie. multuous: whofoeuer is delighted therwith shal not be wife.
2 As the roaring of a lyon, fo alfo the terrour of a king: he that prouoketh him, finneth alfo againft his owne foule.

3 It is honour to a man, that feparateth himfelf
Obedience to Princes. from contentions: but al fooles medle with contumelies.
${ }^{4}$ Becaufe of cold the flothful would not plowe: he Concord. from contentions: but al fooles medle with contumelies. shal begge therfore in the fummer, and it shal not be geuen him.

5 As deepe water, fo counfel in the hart of a man: but a wife man shal draw it out.

6 Manie men are called merciful: but a faithful man who shal fynd?

7 The iuft that walketh in his fimplicitie, shal leaue bleffed children.

8 The king, that fitteth in the throne of iudgement, diffipateth al euil with his looke.
${ }^{9}$ Who can fay: My hart is cleane, I am pure from finne?

10 Weight and weight, meafure and meafure: both are abominable before God.

11 By his conuerfation a child is perceiued, if his workes be cleane and right.

12 The eare hearing, and the eie feing, our Lord made both.
${ }^{13}$ Loue not fleepe, left pouertie oppreffe thee: open thyne eies and be filled with breades.
${ }^{14}$ It is naught, it is naught, fayth euerie byer: and when he is departed he wil boaft.

15 There is gold, and multitude of pearles: but a precious veffel the lippes of knowlege.

16 Take his garment, that was the furetie of a ftranger, and for ftrangers take a pledge from him.

17 The bread of lying is fwete to a man: and afterward his mouth shal be filled with the grauelftone.

18 Cogitations are ftrengthened by counfels: and Counfel in battels are to be handled by gouernmentes.

19 Medle not with him that reuealeth myfteries, Confult with and walketh fraudulently, and dilateth his lippes. the faithful.
20 He that curfeth his father, and mother, his Honour of parlampe shal be extinguished in the middes of darkenes. ents.
${ }_{21}$ The inheritance wherunto hafte is made in the Lawful gaine. beginning, in the later end shal lacke bleffing.
${ }^{22}$ Say not: I wil requit euil: expect our Lord, and Meeknes. he wil deliuer thee.

23 Weight and weight are abomination with our Equitie. Lord: a deceitful balance is not good.

24 The fteppes of man are directed of our Lord: Truft in Gods but who of men can vnderftand his owne way?

25 It is ruine to a man to deuoure faintes, and Performance of afterward to retracte the vowes.

26 A wife king diffipateth the impious, and bendeth ouer them a triumphant arch.

27 The lampe of our Lord, the breath of a man, which fearcheth al the fecretes of the bellie.

28 Mercie \& truth kepe the king, and his throne is ftrengthened by clemencie.
${ }_{29}$ The ioy of yongmen their ftrength: and the dignitie of oldmen a gray head.

30 The blewneffe of the wound shal wipe away euils: and ftripes in the more fecrete place of the bellie.
prouidence. vowes.
Publique iuftice.
Puritie of minde.
Three kinglie vertues.
Prudence with fortitude.

Punifhment of finnes.

