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" intermingle Speech of the present Occasion with Arguments; Tales  
" with Reasons: Asking of Questions, with Telling of Opinions; and  
" Jest with Earnest: For it is a dull Thing to Tire, and as we say now,  
" to Jade, anything too far."

RACON. *Essay of Discourse.*

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