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I beg you to accept my thanks for your letter and for the obliging terms in which you are pleased to express yourself concerning me as one of those who have laboured to lay open the road to Indian literature. It is matter of constant regret that a person of your eminence and acquirements should devote time, which you can so well employ, to the cultivation of a branch of literature which does not here obtain the same degree of notice and attention which it gains in Germany. If I can be of any service to you, which you are so good as to suppose I may be, I beg you will freely command me, & without scruple. I shall have great pleasure in fur-