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**Life-time**, or the AGE of LIVING Creatures, (as particularly applied to Men,\* to which there is something answerable in other Ani|mals; to which may be adjoined the word SECULUM, Age, Estate, Generation,) is, according to common use, distinguished by such Terms as do denote the gradual differences of it.

- The first and most imperfect State, when || destitute of the use of reason: or having but little use of it ■ comprehending the two first ten years.
  - INFANCY, Babe, **Child**, Cub.
  - CHILDHOOD, Boy, Girl, Wench, green years.
- The less imperfect Age, subject to the sway of Passions; || either more, or less, containing the third and fourth ten years.
  - ADOLESCENCY, adult, Lad, Springal, Stripling, Youth, Lass, Da|mosel, Wench.
  - YOUTH, Iuvenile, Younker.
- The perfect Age as to the **Body**: or the declining Age of the **Body**, but most perfect for the **Mind**, styled vergens aetas, or the Age of Wisdom; the former comprehending the space betwixt the 40th and the 50th, and the latter containing the space betwixt the 50th and the 60th year.
  - MANHOOD, virile, middle age.
  - DECLINING AGE, elderly.
- The last and most imperfect Age, by reason of the decay of Vigor, which commonly happens both in **Body** and **Mind**, || either according to the first and better part of it: or the last and worst part of this State, reaching from the 60th to the 70th, and from thence for the **time** after.
  - OLD AGE.
  - DECREPIDNESS, Crone.

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