Essays on the Principles of Morality and Natural Religion [1779] p. 390pp

One of the early responses to
Treatise of Human Nature (1739-1740), which Kames had helped to promote
A philosophical discussion of a number of issues central to the Scottish Enlightenment, it is also a useful introduction to the writings of Lord Kames, as it exemplifies his intellectual interest in law, philosophy and culture

Introduction to the Art of Thinking [1775] p. 324pp

Here Home, Lord Kames does not tell his his readers what to think but how to think

This work attracted the following endorsement from Benjamin Franklin 'In your truly valuable
Art of Thinking you sow thick in the young mind the seeds of goodness concerning moral conduct
Permit me to say that I think I never saw more solid useful matter contained in so small a compass.'

Elements of Criticism [1788] (2 volumes) p. 1112pp

Whether by accident or intention, Kames produced a work of literary theory at a time when educated opinion and enlightened thinking were consolidating a taste for literary theory and critical speculation
The impetus and energy for this had been given by Joseph Addison in his Spectator essays earlier in the century
It was his most popular work

Sketches of the History of Man [1778] (4 volumes) p. 1896pp
Kames collected the material for this for over a period of thirty year before
It illustrates how widely he read, choosing his illustrations and examples from numerous sources
This was the last edition to be published in his lifetime

Loose Hints upon Education, Chiefly Concerning the Culture of the Heart [1782] p. 436pp
Kames attached great importance to the proper education of children, particularly women, whose lack of educational opportunities he deplored
He dedicated this book to the

Elucidations respecting the Common and Statute Law of Scotland [1777] p. 438pp
A work of legal philosophy, he returns to ideas, issues and themes that had appeared in his previous legal works, including, property, bankruptcy and the education of lawyers
It is a philosophical treatise rather than a legal text-book or a record of precedents, decisions and laws

Essays upon Several Subjects Concerning British Antiquities [1747] p. 220pp
Written during the Jacobite uprising of 1745, David Hume said of this work that 'the Reasonings are solid, the Conjectures ingenious, and the whole instructive

Memoirs of the Life and Writings of Henry Home of Kames [1807] (2 volumes) p. 950pp
Alexander Fraser Tytler Probably the literary work by which Henry Home, Lord Kames is best know
It contains a mass of useful information about Kames
Tytler had access to Kame's private papers and correspondence and the account of his life is very much part of a new wave of biographical writing in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

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