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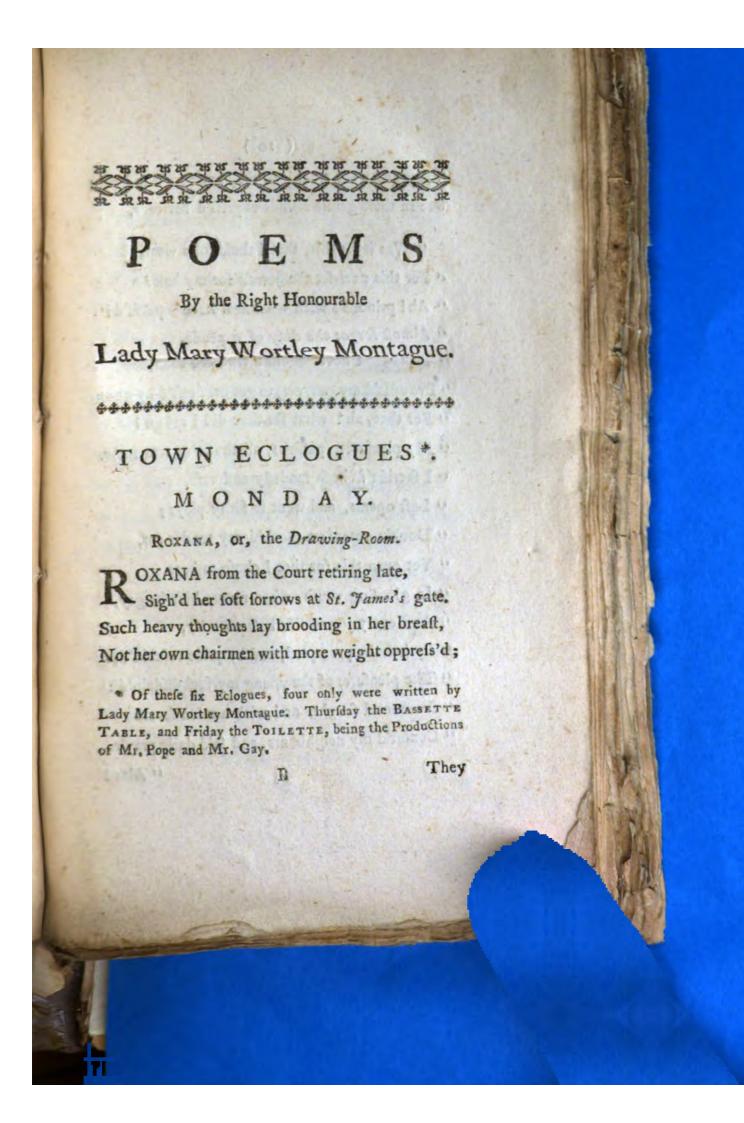
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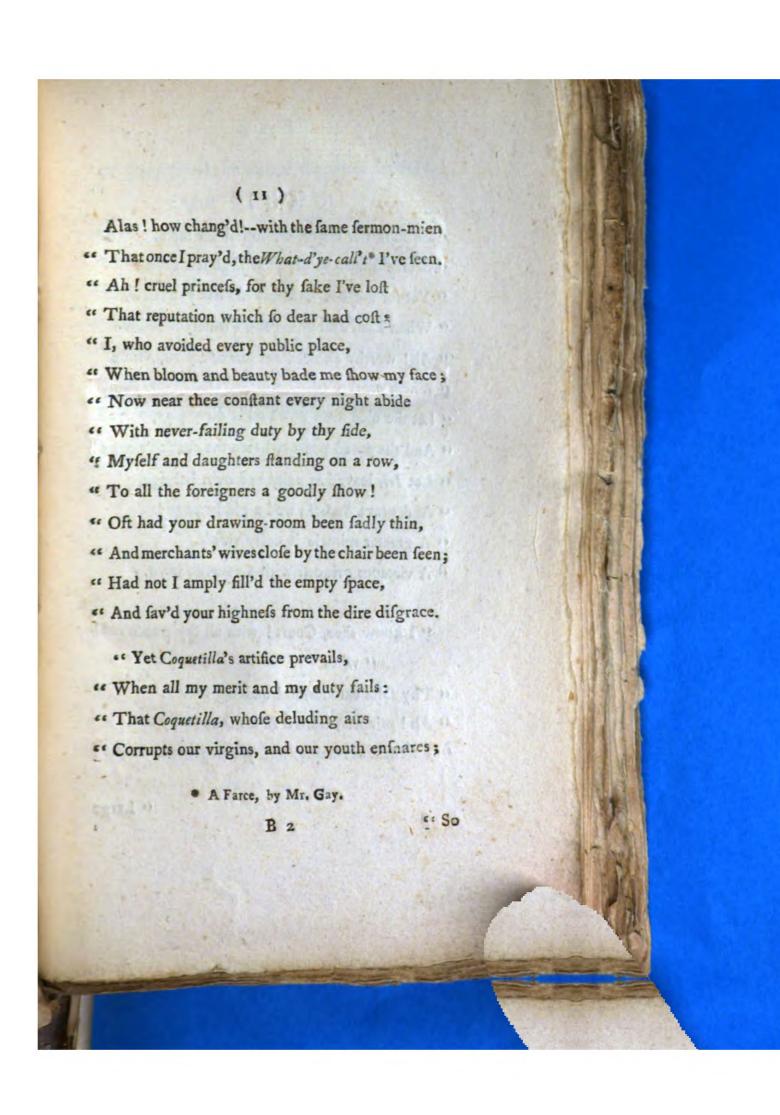


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They groan the cruel load they're doom'd to She in these gentle sounds express'd her care

- "Was it for this, that I these roses wear,
- " For this new-set the jewels for my hair?
- " Ah! princess! with what zeal have I pur
- " Almost forgot the duty of a prude.
- " Thinking I never could attend too foon,
- " I've mis'd my prayers, to get me dres'd b
- " For thee, ah! what for thee did I refign
- " My pleasures, passions, all that e'er was
- " I facrific'd both modesty and ease,
- " Left operas, and went to filthy plays;
- "Double entendres shock'd my tender ear
- " Yet even this for thee I chose to bear.
- "In glowing youth, when nature bids be
- " And every joy of life before me lay,
- " By honour prompted, and by pride restra
- " The pleasures of the young my foul disda
- " Sermons I fought, and with a mien fever
- "Censur'd my neighbours, and faid daily pr



" So funk her character, fo loft her fame,

" Scarce visited before your highness came

"Yet for the bed-chamber 'tis her you cho

" When Zeal and Fame and Virtue you ref

" Ah! worthy choice! not one of all your

"Whom censure blasts not, and dishonour

"Let the nice hind now fuckle dirty pigs,

" And the proud pea-hen hatch the cuckoo

" Let Iris leave her paint and own her age

" And grave Suffolka wed a giddy page!

" A greater miracle is daily view'd,

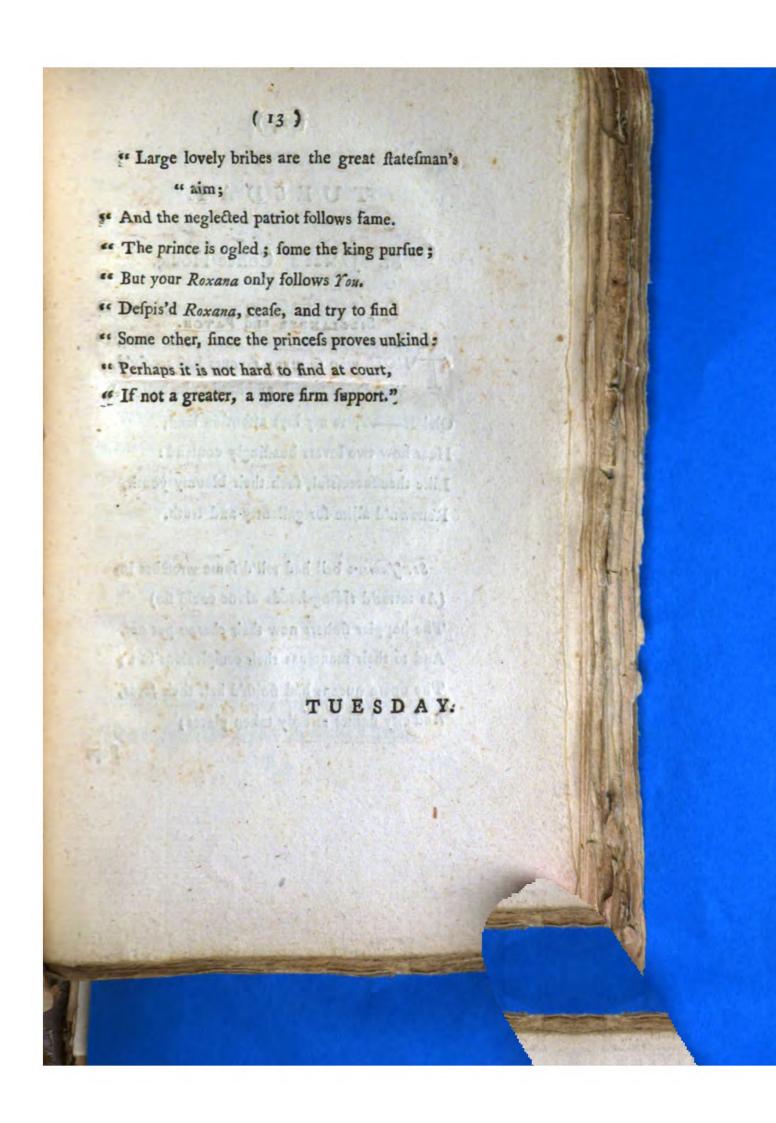
" A virtuous princess with a court so lewd.

"I know thee, Court! with all thy trea

"Thy false caresses and undoing smiles!

" Ah! princess, learn'd in all the courtly as

"To cheat our hopes, and yet to gain our



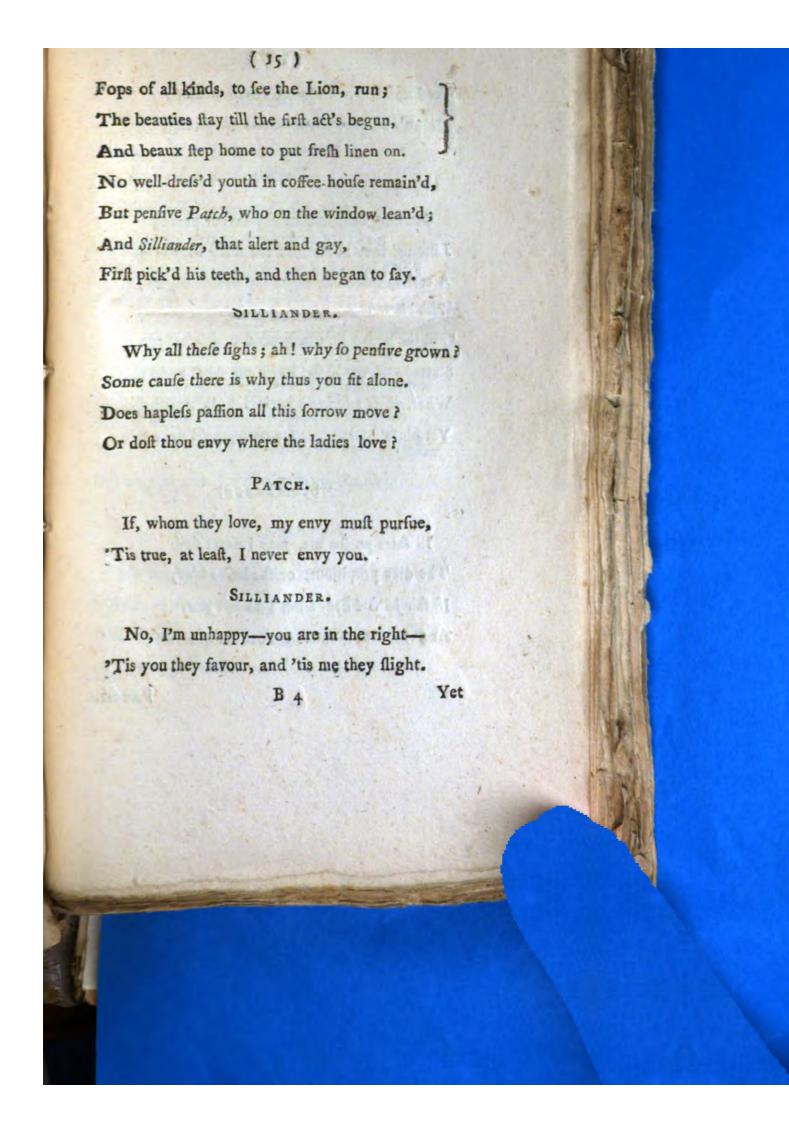
TUESDAY.

St. James's Coffee-House

SILLIANDER and PATCH.

Wond'rous to tell, and hard to be he Oh! H—d, to my lays attention lend, Hear how two lovers boaftingly contend: Like thee successful, such their bloomy you Renown'd alike for gallantry and truth.

St. James's bell had toll'd some wretch (As tatter'd riding-hoods alone could sin The happier sinners now their charms pu And to their manteuas their complexions The opera queens had sinish'd half their And city dames already taken places;



Yet I could tell, but that I hate to boaft, A club of ladies where 'tis me they toaft.

PATCH.

Toasting does seldom any favour prove Like us, they never toast the thing they los A certain duke one night my health begut With chearful pledges round the room it is 'Till the young Silvia, press'd to drink it Started and vow'd she knew not what to do What, drink a fellow's health! she dy'd with Yet blush'd whenever she pronounc'd my

SILLIANDER.

Ill fates pursue me, may I never find The dice propitious, or the ladies kind, If fair Miss Flippy's fan I did not tear, And one from me she condescends to wee

PATCH.

Women are always ready to receive;
Tis then a favour when the fex will give.
A lady (but she is too great to name)
Beauteous in person, spotless in her fame,
With gentle strugglings let me force this ring;
Another day may give another thing.

SILLIANDER.

I could fay fomething—see this billet-doux—
And as for presents—look upon my shoe——
These buckles were not forc'd, nor half a thest,
But a young countess fondly made the gift.

PATCH.

My countels is more nice, more artful too,

Affects to fly, that I may fierce pursue:

This snuff-box which I begg'd, she still deny'd,

And when I strove to snatch it, seem'd to hide;

She

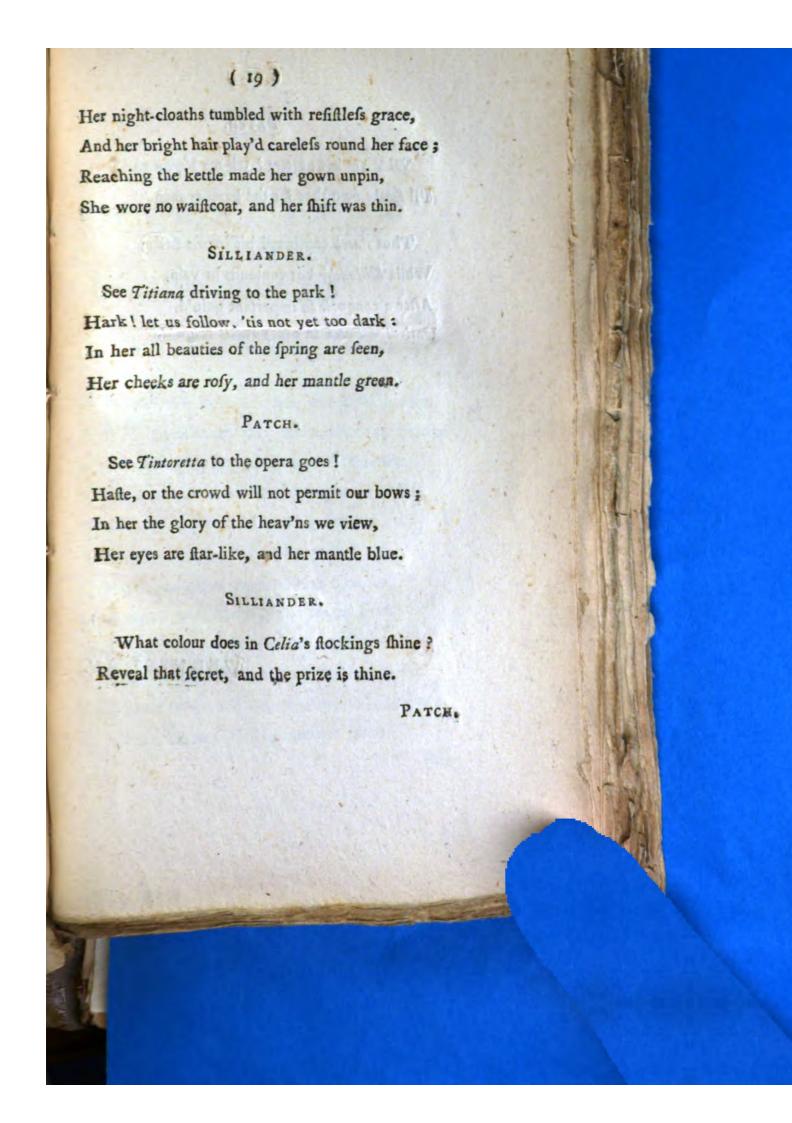
She laugh'd and fled, and as I fought to fe With affectation cram'd it down her stays Yet hop'd she did not place it there unseen I press'd her breasts, and pull'd it from be

SILLIANDER.

Drinking delicious poison from her face,
The iost enchantress did that face decline
Nor ever rais'd her eyes to meet with min
With sudden art some secret did pretend,
Lean'd cross two chairs to whisper to a fi
While the sliff whalebone with the motion
And thousand beauties to my sight expose

PATCH:

Early this morn—(but I was ask'd to c I drank bohea in Celia's dressing-room: Warm from her bed, to me alone within, Her night-gown fasten'd with a single pin

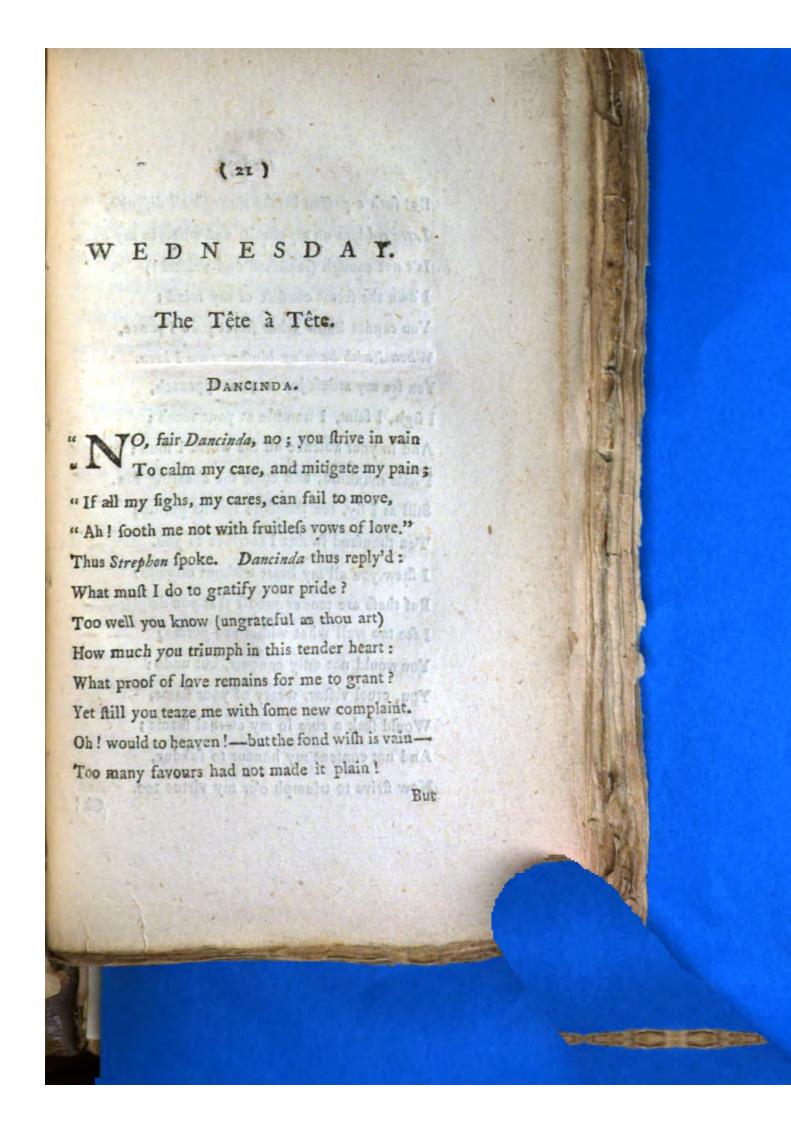


PATCH.

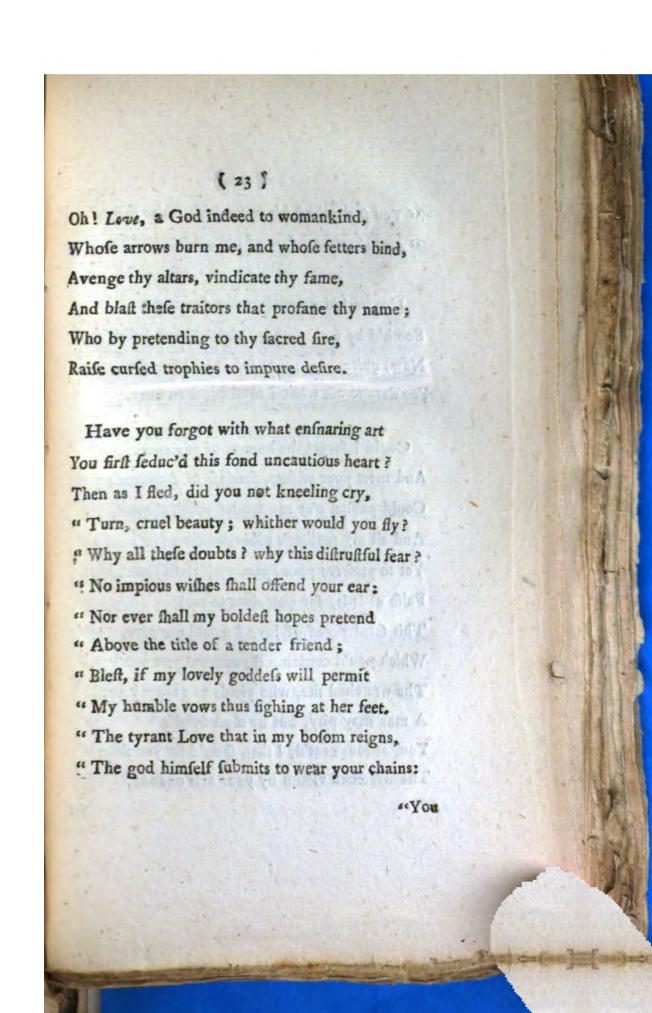
What are her garters? tell me if you I'll freely own thee far the happier man.

Thus Patch continued his heroic strain
While Silliander but contends in vain,
After a conquest so important gain'd,
Unrivall'd Patch in every ruelle reign'd:

WEDNE



But fuch a passion breaks through all disg Love reddens on my cheek, and wishes in Is't not enough (inhuman and unkind!) I own the fecret conflict of my mind; You cannot know what fecret pain I pro-When I with burning blushes own I love You fee my artless joy at your approach, I figh, I faint, I tremble at your touch; And in your absence all the world I shun I hate mankind, and curse the chearing Still as I fly, ten thousand swains pursue Ten thousand swains I sacrifice to you. I shew you all my heart without disguise But these are tender proofs that you design I fee too well what wishes you pursue; You would not only conquer, but undo: You, cruel victor, weary of your flame, Would feek a cure in my eternal shame And not content my honour to fubdue, Now strive to triumph o'er my virtue to



- " You shall direct his course, his ardor t
- " And check the fury of his wildest flam

Unpractis'd youth is easily deceiv'd; Sooth'd by such sounds, I listen'd and bel Now, quite forgot that soft submissive see You dare to ask what I must blush to hea

And meet your wishes, fearless of disgra
Could passion o'er my tender youth prev
And all my mother's pious maxims fail;
Yet to preserve your heart (which still m
False as it is, for ever dear to me)
This fatal proof of love I would not giv
Which you'd contemn the moment you m
The wretched she, who yields to guilty
A man may pity, but he must despise.
Your ardour ceas'd, I then should see you
The wretched victim by your arts undon

(26). The dangerous moments no adieus afford; -Begone, she cries, I'm sure I hear my lord. The lover starts from his unfinish'd loves, To fnatch his hat, and feek his fcatter'd glov The fighing dame to meet her dear prepares, While Strephon curfing flips down the back-fl THURSD

I saw him stand behind Ombrelia's chair,
And whisper with that soft, deluding air,
And those seign'd sighs, which cheat the list
fair.

CARDELIA.

Is this the cause of your romantic strains. A mightier grief my heavier heart sustains. As you by Love, so I by Fortune cross'd; One, one bad deal three septlewa's have loss

SMILINDA.

Is that the grief which you compare with With ease the smiles of Fortune I resign: Would all my gold in one bad deal were g. Were lovely Sharper mine, and mine alone.

CARDELIA.

A lover lost is but a common care;

And prudent nymphs against that change;



Upon the bottom shines the queen's bright A myrtle soliage round the thimble case. Jove, Jove himself, does on the scissars of The metal, and the workmanship divine!

SMILINDA.

This fnuff-box, once the pledge of Sharp
When rival beauties for the present strove
At Corticelli's he the raffle won;
Then first his passion was in public shown
Hazardia blush'd, and turn'd her head ass
A rival's envy (all in vain) to hide
This fnuff-box—on the hinge see brilliant
This snuff-box will I stake; the prize is no

CARDELIA.

Alas! far lesser losses than I bear,
Have made a soldier sigh, a lover swear.
And oh! what makes the disappointmen
Twas my own lord that drew the satal

CARDELIA.

Wretch that I was! how often have I fw When Winnal! tallied, I would punt no mor I know the bite, yet to my ruin run; And see the folly, which I cannot shun.

SMILINDA.

How many maids have Sharper's vows deed How many curs'd the moment they believ' Yet his known falshoods could no warning Ah! what is warning to a maid in love?

CARDELIA.

But of what marble must that breast be so To gaze on *Bassette*, and remain unwarm's When kings, queens, knaves, are set in decent Expos'd in glorious heaps the tempting ban Guineas, half-guineas, all the shining train The winner's pleasure and the loser's pain: In bright confusion open rouleaus lie,

They strike the soul, and glitter in the eye,

Fir'd by the sight, all reason I disdain;

My passions rise, and will not bear the rein:

Look upon Bassette, you who reason boast;

And see if reason must not there be lost.

SMILINDA.

What more than marble must that heart compose,
Can hearken coldly to my Sharper's vows?
Then when he trembles, when his blushes rise,
When aweful love seems melting in his eyes?
With eager beats his Mechlin cravat moves:
He loves, I whisper to myself, he loves!
Such unfeign'd passion in his looks appears,
I lose all mem'ry of my former fears:
My panting heart confesses all his charms,
I yield at once, and fink into his arms:
Think of that moment, you who prudence boast;
For such a moment, prudence well were lost.

CARDELIA.

CARDELIA.

At the groom-porter's, batter'd bullies possible Some dukes at Marybone bowl time away. But who the bowl, or rattling dice comparts of Bassette's heavenly joys, and pleasing

SMILINDA.

Soft Simplicetta doats upon a beau;

Prudina likes a man, and laughs at show.

Their several graces in my Sharper meet;

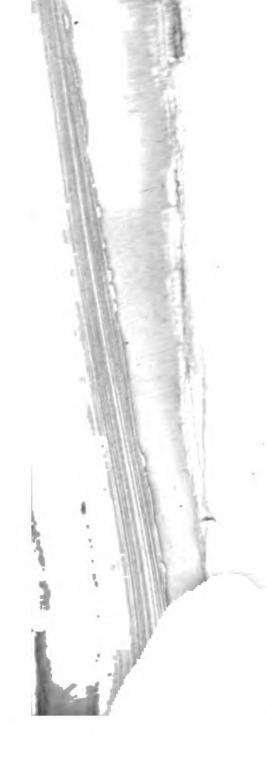
Strong as the sootman, as the master sweet.

LOVEIT.

Cease your contention, which has been to I grow impatient, and the tea's too strong Attend, and yield to what I now decide; The equipage shall grace Smilinda's side: The snuff-box to Cardelia I decree,

Now leave complaining, and begin your a

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FRIDAY.

The TOILETTE.

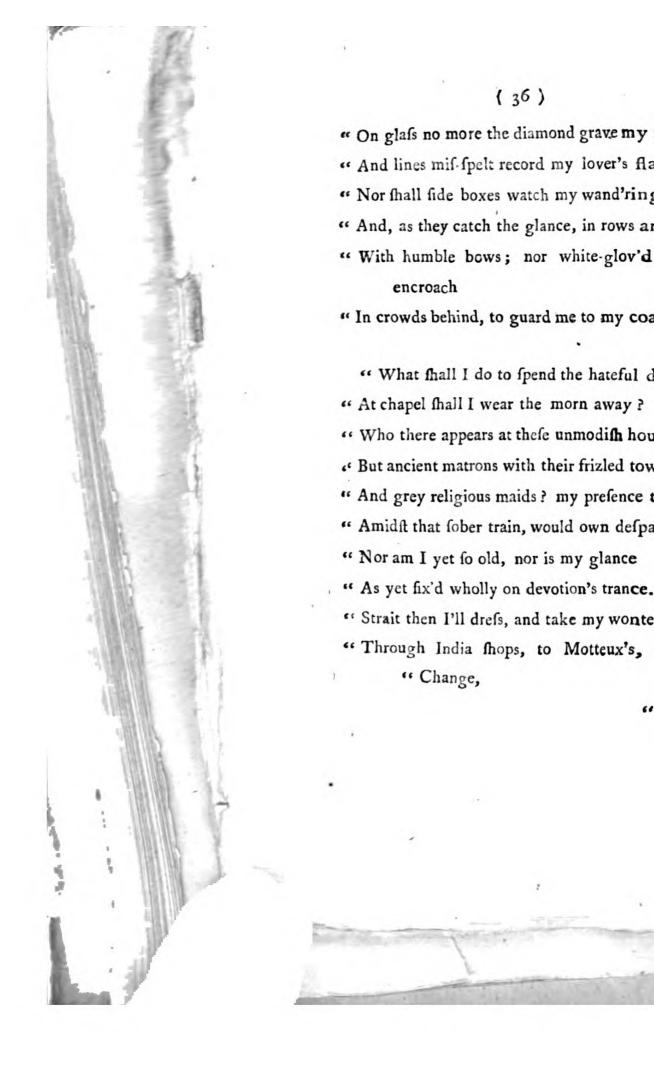
LYDIA

NOW twenty springs had cloath'd the park with green,

Since Lydia knew the blossoms of fifteen;
No lovers now her morning hours molest;
And catch her at her toilette half undrest.
The thund'ring knocker wakes the street no more.
Nor chairs, nor coaches croud the filent door;
Nor at the window all her mornings pass,
Or at the dumb devotion of her glass:
Reclin'd upon her arm she pensive sate,
And curs'd th' inconstancy of man too late.

"Oh youth! O spring of life for ever lost!
"No more my name shall reign the fav'rite toast;

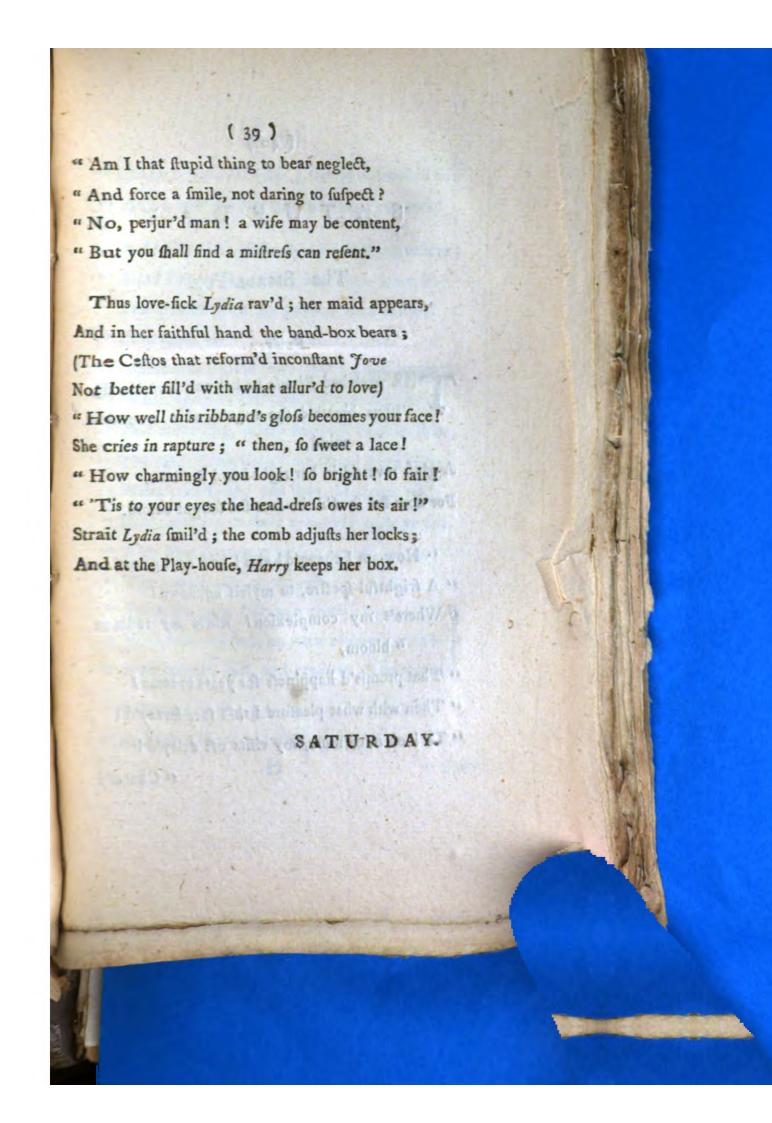
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- " I own her taper shape is form'd to please;
- " But don't you fee her unconfin'd by flays?
- " She doubly to fifteen may claim pretence;
- " Alike we read it in her face and fenfe.
- " Infipid, fervile thing! whom I disdain!
- " Her phlegm can best support the marriage chair
- " Damon is practis'd in the modish life;
- "Can hate, and yet be civil to his wife;
- "He games, he drinks, he swears, he fights, h
- "Yet Cloe can believe he fondly loves.
- " Mistress and wife by turns supply his need;
- " A miss for for pleasure, and a wife for breed.
- "Powder'd with diamonds, free from spleen or care,
- " She can a fullen husband's humour bear;
- " Her credulous friendship, and her stupid ease,
- " Have often been my jest in happier days:
- " Now Cloe boafts and triumphs in my pains;
- "To her he's faithful; 'tis to me he feigns:

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SATURDAY.

The SMALL-Pox.

FLAVIA.

Thus breath'd the anguish of a wound mind,

A glass revers'd in her right hand she bore, For now she shan'd the face she sought before

- " How am I chang'd! alas! how am I grow
- " A frightful spectre, to myself unknown!
- "Where's my complexion? where my ra
- " That promis'd happiness for years to come
- "Then with what pleasure I this face survey"
- To look once more, my visits oft delay'd!

" Cha



- " For me the foldier has foft verses writ:
- " For me the beau has aim'd to be a wit.
- " For me the Wit to nonsense was betray'd;
- "The Gamester has for me his dun delay'd,
- " And overfeen the card he would have play'd
- " The bold and haughty by success made vain
- " Aw'd by my eyes, have trembled to compla
- " The bashful 'Squire touch'd by a wish unkno
- " Has dar'd to speak with spirit not his own:
- " Fir'd by one wish, all did alike adore;
- " Now beauty's fled, and lovers are no more!
 - " As round the room I turn my weeping eye
- " New unaffected scenes of sorrow rise.
- " Far from my fight that killing picture bear,
- "The face disfigure, and the canvass tear:
- " That picture, which with pride I us'd to sho
- " The lost resemblance but upbraids me now.
- " And thou, my toilette! where I oft have fate
- "While hours unheeded pass'd in deep debate

- " How curls should fall, or where a patch to place;
- "If blue or scarlet best became my face;
- . Now on some happier nymph your aid bestow;
- "On fairer heads, ye useless jewels, glow!
- "No borrow'd lustre can my charms restore;
- "Beauty is fled, and dress is now no more!
 - "Ye meaner beauties, I permit ye shine;
- Go, triumph in the hearts that once were mine
- "But 'midft your triumphs with confusion know,
- "Tis to my ruin all your arms ye owe.
- "Would pitying heav'n restore my wonted mien,
- "Ye still might move unthought of and unseen:
- But oh, how vian, how wretched is the boaft
- " Of beauty faded, and of empire loft!
- What now is left but weeping, to deplore
- "My beauty fled, and empire now no more?
- "Ye cruel chymists, what withheld your aid!
- " Could no pomatums fave a trembling maid?

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" How

- " How false and trifling is that art ye boast!
- " No art can give me back my beauty lost.
- " In tears, furrounded by my friends I lay,
- " Mask'd o'er, and trembled at the fight of d
- " Mirmillio came my fortune to deplore,
- " (A golden-headed cane well carv'd he bore
- " Cordials, he cry'd, my spirits must restore!
- "Beauty is fled, and spirit is no more!
 - " Galen, the grave ; officious Squirt, was the
- " With fruitless grief and unavailing care:
- " Machaon too, the great Machaon, known
- " By his red cloak and his superior frown;
- " And why, he cry'd, this grief and this defp
- " You shall again be well, again be fair;
- "Believe my oath; (with that an oath he fw
- "False was his oath; my beauty is no more
 - " Cease, hapless maid, no more thy tale p
- " Forsake mankind, and bid the world adie

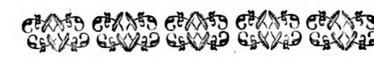
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- Monarchs and beauties rule with equal fway;
- Man All strive to ferve, and glory to obey:
- " Alike unpitied when depos'd they grow-
- " Men mock the idol of their former vow.
 - " Adieu! ye parks !- in some obscure recos,
- " Where gentle fireams will weep at my diffrefs,
- Where no false friend will in my grief take parts
- " And mourn my ruin with a joyful heart;
- There let me live in some deserted place,
- "There hide in shades this lost inglorious face.
- " Plays, operas, circles, I no more must view!
- " My toilette, patches, all the world adieu !"



VERSES

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VERSES

Addressed to the

IMITATOR

Of the FIRST SATIRE of the Second Book of HORACE.

IN two large columns on thy motly page,
Where Roman wit is stripe'd with English rage
Where ribaldry to satire makes pretence;
And modern scandal rolls with ancient sense:

* These severe Verses owe their birth to two lines in the first Satire of the Second Book of Horace, imitated by M Pope, which were supposed to point at Lady Mary Worth Montague, under the name of Sappho. We first by the Letters of Mr. Pope, vol. 7. and those of Lady Mary Wortley Montague lately published, that a friendly correspondence once subsisted between these two Wits, which produces the server of the server pondence once subsisted between these two Wits, which produces the server of the server

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Whilst on one side we see how Horace thought;
And on the other how he never wrote:

bably did not continue much later than her ladyship's return into England in the year 1718. But the exact time when the quarrel between them commenced, and the circumstances relating to it, are not eafy, at this distance of time, to difcover. It is said in Mr. Pope's Life, (Biographia Brittannica, vol. 5. p. 3413) that he was charged with propagating a scandalous report concerning ner ladyship, which, it is added, perhaps he was not quite clear of. The note to that life in which this charge on the poet is to be found, has the name of Dr. Warburton annexed to it, and therefore, on his authority, may well be supposed not without foundation. If a conjecture may be allowed, it is not improbable that this was the occasion of their difference. With respect to the lines which produced these verses. Mr. Pore, in his letter to Lord Hervey, vol. 8. p. 196. absolutely disclaims any intention of applying them to Lady Montague. "In re-" gard (fays he) to the right honourable Lady, your Lord-" ship's friend, I was far from deligning a person of her " condition by a name fo delogatory to her as that of Sapof pho, a name proflituted to every infamous creature that ever wrote verse or novels. I protest I never applied that name to her in any verse of mine, public or private, and " (I firmly believe) not in any letter or conversation." What degree of credit this affeveration deserves must be left to the reader's determination, only observing, that Mr. Pope was not very scrupulous in discowning a character when the opinion of the Public was not in his favour. With equal, or more earnestness, he denied that the description of Timon's Villa was defigned to expose that of a certain nobleman. In which D 4

Who can believe, who view the bad and good,
That the dull copi'st better understood
That Spirit, he pretends to imitate,
Than heretofore that Greek he did translate?

Thine is just such an image of bis pen, As thou thyself art of the sons of men:

particular, he has been unwarily given up by his Commatter, who, in the following note on these lines in the edit of 1751, seems to acknowledge the fact.

Another age shall see the golden car Imbrown the slope, and nod on the parterre; Deep harvests bury all his pride had plann'd, And laughing Ceres re-assume the land.

Moral Epistles iv. Verse 172

"Had the poet lived but three years longer, he had "this prophecy fulfilled." It is to be remembered, that nons was fold about the time here fixed upon, and there this question will naturally arise, What prophecy was filled, if Mr. Pope had not that place in his mind while was writing the before mentioned Epistle? The Editor of works, as if conscious that he had done no service to Pope's moral character, by the above note, has since all it in the following manner: "Had the poet lived to years longer he had seen his general prophecy against ill-judged magnificence fulfilled in a very particular instance."

Wh



Where our own species in burlesque we trace,

A sign-post likeness of the human race;

That is at once resemblance and disgrace.

Horace can laugh, is delicate, is clear;
You only coarfely rail, or darkly fneer:
His style is elegant, his diction pure,
Whilst none thy crabbed numbers can endure;
Hard as thy heart, and as thy birth obscure.

If be has thorns, they all on roses grow;
Thine like rude thistles, and mean brambles show,
With this exception, that tho' rank the soil,
Weeds as they are they seem produc'd by toil.
Satire should, like a polish'd razor keen,
Wound with a touch, that's scarcely felt or seen.
Thine is an oyster-knife, that hacks and hews;
The rage, but not the talent to abuse;
And is in bate, what love is in the stews.

Tis the gross lust of hate, that still annoys,
Without distinction, as gross love enjoys:
Neither

Neither to folly, nor to vice confin'd;
The object of thy spleen is human kind:
It preys on all, who yield or who resist;
To thee 'tis provocation to exist.

But if thou seest * a great and generous he Thy bow is doubly bent to force a dart. Nor dignity nor innocence is spar'd, Nor age, nor sex, nor thrones, nor graves reve Nor only justice vainly we demand, But even benefits can't rein thy hand: To this or that alike in vain we trust, Nor find thee less ungrateful than unjust.

Not even youth and beauty can controul
The universal rancour of thy soul;
Charms that might soften superstition's rage,
Might humble pride, or thaw the ice of age.

* See Taste, an Epiftle.

But how should'st thou by beauty's force be mov'd,

No more for loving made, than to be lov'd?

It was the equity of righteous heav'n,

That such a soul to such a form was giv'n;

And shews the uniformity of fate,

That one so odious should be born to hate.

When God created thee, one would believe,

He faid the same as to the snake of Eve;

To human race antipathy declare,

Twixt them and thee be everlasting war.

But oh! the sequel of the sentence dread,

And whilst you bruise their heel, beware your head.

Nor think thy weakness shall be thy defence;
The female scold's protection in offence.
Sure 'tis as fair to beat who cannot sight,
As 'tis to libel those who cannot write.
And if thou draw'st thy pen to aid the law,
Others a cudgel, or a rod, may draw.

If none with vengeance yet thy crimes purfe Or give thy manifold affronts their due; If limbs unbroken, skin without a stain, Unwhipt, unblanketed, unkick'd, unflain That wretched little carcase you retain : The reason is, not that the world wants eye But thou'rt so mean, they see, and they def When fretful porcupine, with rancorous will From mounted back shoots forth a harmless Cool the spectators sand; and all the while Upon the angry little monster smile. Thus 'tis with thee :- while impotently faf You strike unwounding, we unhurt can laug Who but must laugh, this bully when he sees, A puny insect shiv'ring at a breeze? One over-match'd by ev'ry blast of wind, Infulting and provoking all mankind.

Is this the thing to keep mankind in awe To make those tremble who escape the law?

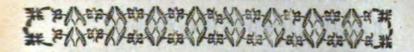


(53) Is this the ridicule to live fo long, The deathless satire, and immortal Song? No: like thy felf-blown praise, thy scandal flies: And, as we're told of wasps, it stings and dies. If none do yet return th' intended blow, You all your fafety to your dullness owe: But whist that armour thy poor corps defends, 'Twill make thy readers few, as are thy friends: Those, who thy nature loath'd, yet lov'd thy art, Who lik'd thy head, and yet abhorr'd thy heart; Chose thee, to read, but never to converse, And fcorn'd in profe, him whom they priz'd in verfe. Even they shall now their partial error see, Shall shun thy writings like thy company; And to thy books shall ope their eyes no more, Than to thy person they wou'd do their door. Nor thou the justice of the world disown, That leaves thee thus an out-cast, and alone; For

For tho' in law, to murder be to kill,
In equity the murder's in the will:
Then whilst with coward hand you stab a:
And try at least t'assassinate our same;
Like the first bold assassinate be thy lot,
Ne'er be thy guilt forgiven, or forgot;
But as thou hat'st, be hated by mankind,
And with the emblem of thy crooked min
Mark'd on thy back, like Cain, by Go
hand,

Wander, like him, accurfed through the l





AN

EPISTLE

TO

LORD B--

HOW happy you! who varied joys pursue;
And every hour presents you something new!
Plans, schemes, and models, all Palladio's art,
For six long months have gain'd upon your heart;
Of colonnades, of corridores you talk,
The winding stair-case and the cover'd walk;
You blend the orders with Vitruvian toil,
And raise with wond'rous joy the fancy'd pile:

But

But the dull workman's flow performing h But coldly executes his lord's command. With dirt and mortar foon you go displeas Planting succeeds, and avenues are rais'd, Canals are cut, and mountains level made Bowers of retreat, and galleries of shade; The shaven turf presents a lively green; The bordering flowers in mystic knots are With fludied art on nature you refine-The fpring beheld you warm in this defign But scarce the cold attacks your fav'rite tree Your inclination fails, and wishes freeze: You quit the grove, fo lately you admir'd; With other views your eager hopes are fir'd Post to the city you direct your way; Not blooming paradife could bribe your fla Ambition shews you power's brightest side, 'Tis meanly poor in solitude to hide : Though certain pains attend the cares of fit A good man owes his country to be great

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With trembling hope, and doubtful fear you Resolv'd to tempt your fate, and own your But there Belinda meets you on the stairs, Easy her shape, attracting all her airs; A smile she gives, and with a smile can wou Her melting voice has music in the sound; Her every motion wears resistless grace; Wit in her mien, and pleasure in her face: Here while you vow eternity of love, Cloe and Celia unregarded move.

Thus on the fands of Afric's burning plate However deeply made, no long impress remarked The slightest leaf can leave its sigure there. The strongest form is scattered by the air. So yielding the warm temper of your mind So touch'd by every eye, so tos'd by wind Oh! how unlike the heav'n my soul design. Unseen, unheard, the throng around me me Not wishing praise, insensible of love:



EPISTL

FROM

ARTHUR GREY, the Foot

After his Condemnation for attempting a R.

READ, lovely nymph, and tremble not I have no more to wish, nor you to I ask not life, for life to me were vain, And death a refuge from severer pain.

* This man was footman to a gentleman, whose a married lady, he attempted to ravish. It appe trial, that he went into her room about four o'cke

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But when I faw—oh! had I never feen
That wounding foftness, that engaging mier
The mist of wretched education slies,
Shame, fear, desire, despair and love arise,
The new creation of those beauteous eyes.
But yet that love pursu'd no guilty aim,
Deep in my heart I hid the secret slame.
I never hop'd my fond desire to tell,
And all my wishes were to serve you well.
Heav'ns! how I slew, when wing'd by you mand,

And kis'd the letters giv'n me by your han How pleas'd, how proud, how fond was I to Present the sparkling wine, or change the plat How when you sung my soul devour'd the so And ev'ry sepse was in the rapture drown'd 'Tho' bid to go, I quite forgot to move;

—You knew not that stopidity was love!

But oh! the torment not to be express'd,

The grief, the rage, the hell that fir'd this brows.

There pleas'd with fancy'd quality and charm Enjoy your beauties in a strumpet's arms.

Such are the joys those toasters have in view, And such the wit and pleasure they pursue:

—And is this love that ought to merit you Each opera-night a new address begun,

They swear to thousands what they swear to shout thus I sigh—but all my sighs are vain—Die, wretched Arthur, and conceal thy pain

'Tis impudence to wish, and madness to conplain.

Fix'd on this view, my only hope of ease,
I waited not the aid of flow disease:
The keenest instruments of death I sought,
And death alone employ'd my lab'ring thou.
This all the night—when I remember well,
The charming tinkle of your morning bell!
Fit'd by the found, I hasten'd with your tea,
With one last look to smooth the darksome was

But oh! how dear that fatal look has cost! In that fond moment my resolves were lost. Hence all my guilt, and all your forrows rife-I faw the languid foftness of your eyes; I saw the dear disorder of your bed; Your cheeks all glowing with a tempting red; Your night-cloaths tumbled with refiftless grace; Your flowing hair play'd careless down your face, Your night-gown fasten'd with a single pin; -Fancy improv'd the wond'rous charms within! I fix'd my eyes upon that heaving breast, And hardly, hardly I forbore the rest; Eager to gaze, unfatisfy'd with fight, My head grew giddy with the near delight! -Too well you know the fatal following night! Th' extremest proof of my desire I give, And fince you will not love, I will not live. Condemn'd by you, I wait the righteous doom, Careless and fearless of the woes to come.

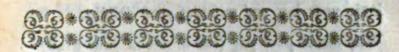
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But when you see me waver in the wind,
My guilty slame extinct, my soul resign'd,
Sure you may pity what you can't approve,
The cruel consequence of surious love.
Think the bold wretch, that could so greatly
Was tender, faithful, ardent, and sincere:
Think when I held the pistol to your breast,
Had I been of the world's large rule possess
'That world had then been yours, and I blest!

If these restections, though they seize you Give some compassion for your Arthur's fate Enough you give, nor ought I to complain You pay my pangs, nor have I dy'd in vair

Think that my life was quite below my car

Nor fear'd I any hell beyond defpair .-



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ANSWER

TO A

LOVE-LETTER.

Wings Proper liew opT

Are heaven's choicest gifts bestow'd in vain?

A plenteous fortune, and a beauteous bride,

Your love rewarded, gratify'd your pride:

Yet leaving her—'tis me that you pursue

Without one single charm, but being new.

How vile is man! how I detest their ways

Of artful falshood, and designing praise!

Tasteless,

Tasteless, an easy happiness you slight, Ruin your joy, and mischief your delight, Why should poor pug (the mimic of your Wear a rough chain, and be to be x confin Some cup, perhaps, he breaks, or tears a f While roves unpunish'd the aestroyer, man Not bound by vows, and unrestrain'd by s In sport you break the heart, and rend the Not that your art can be fuccefs ul here, Th' already plunder' I need no robber fea Nor fig! s, nor charms, nor flattuies can n Too well fecur'd agains a second love. Once, and but once, that devil chaim'd my Torreason deaf, to observation blind; I idly hop'd (what cannot leve ; inc de!) My fondness equal'd, and my l.v. repay's Slow to diffruft, and willing to believe, Long hush'd my de ibts, and di myself d But oh! too foon ____ this tale would eve Sleep, fleep my wrongs, and let me think ' For you, who mourn with counterfeited grief,
And ask so boldly like a begging thief,
May soon some other nymph insict the pain,
You know so well with cruel art to seign.
Tho' long you sported have with Cupid's dart,
You may see eyes, and you may feel a heart.
So the brisk wits, who stop the evening coach,
Laugh at the fear which follows their approach;
With idle mirth, and haughty scorn despise
The passenger's pale cheek, and staring eyes:
But seiz'd by Justice, find a fright no jest,
And all the terror doubled in their breast.



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Mrs. THOMPSO

Must then thy beauties thus untimely And all thy blooming, soft, inspiring charm Become a prey to death's destructive arms? Tho' short thy day, and transient like the will How far more bless than those yet less behing Safe in the grave, thy griefs with thee remains and life's tempessuous billows break in vair

Ye tender nymphs in lawless pastimes gay; Who heedless down the paths of pleasure stray; Tho' long fecure, with blisful joy elate, Yet pause, and think of Arabella's fate: For fuch may be your unexpected doom, And your next flumbers lull you in the tomb. But let it be the muse's gentle care To shield from envy's rage the mould'ring fair: To draw a veil o'er faults she can't defend; And what prudes have devour'd, leave time to end : Be it her part to drop a pitying tear, And mourning figh around thy fable bier. Nor shall thy woes long glad th' ill natur'd crowd, Silent to praise, and in detraction loud : When fcandal, that thro' life each worth destroys, And malice that imbitters all our joys, Shall in fome ill flarr'd wretch find later flains; And let thine rest, forgot as thy remains.



In Answer to a LADY, advised RETIREMENT

I view this various scene with equal In crowded courts I find myself alone, And pay my worship to a nobler throne. Long since the value of this world I know Pity the madness, and despise the show. Well as I can my tedious part I bear, And wait for my dismission without fear. Seldom I mark mankind's detested ways, Not hearing censure, nor affecting praise And, unconcern'd, my suture state I trust To that sole being, merciful and just.



ONTHE

DEATH

OF

Mrs. BOWES.

Written extempore on a card, in a great deal of company, Dec. 14. 1724.

HAIL happy bride, for thou art truly bleft!

Three months of rapture, crown'd with
endless rest.

Merit, like yours, was heaven's peculiar care,
You lov'd—yet talled happiness sincere.
To you the sweets of love were only shewn,
The sure succeeding bitter dregs unknown;

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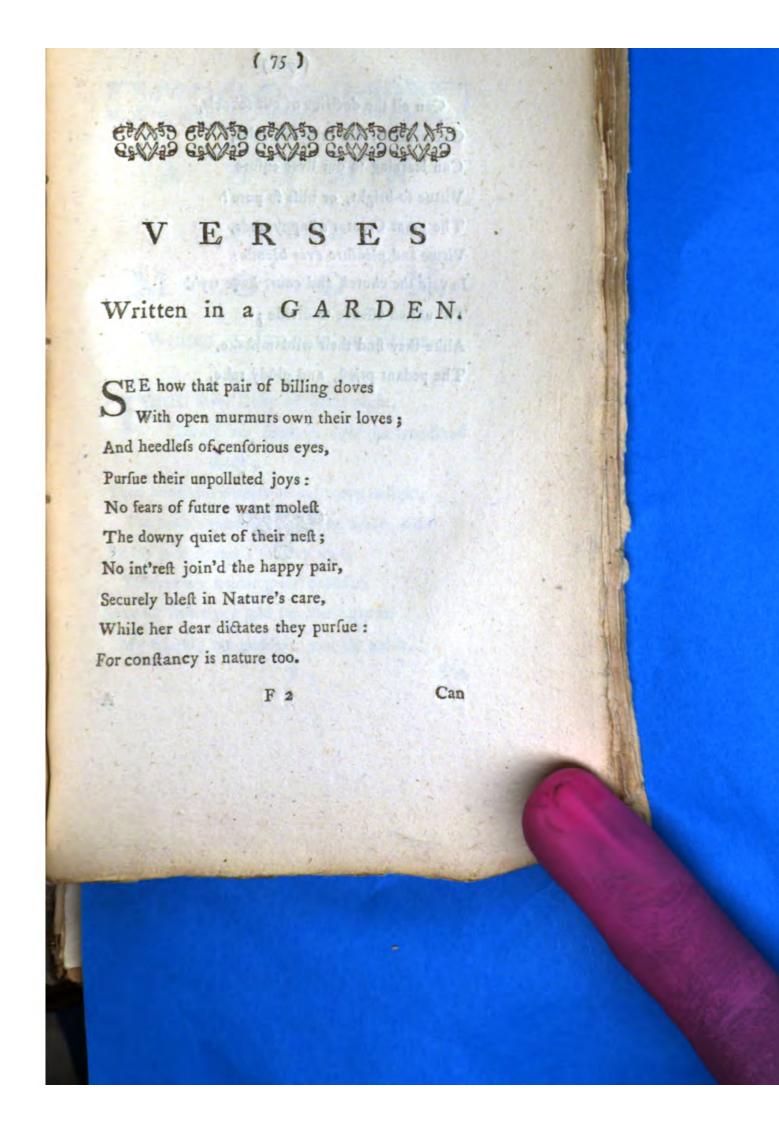
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You had not yet the fatal change deplor'd,
The tender lover, for the imperious lord:
Nor felt the pain that jealous fondness brin
Nor felt the coldness, from possession sprin
Above your sex, distinguish'd in your fate,
You trusted—yet experienced no deceit;
Soft were your hours, and wing'd with
slew;

No vain repentance gave a figh to you: And if superior bliss heaven can bestow, With fellow angels you enjoy it now.



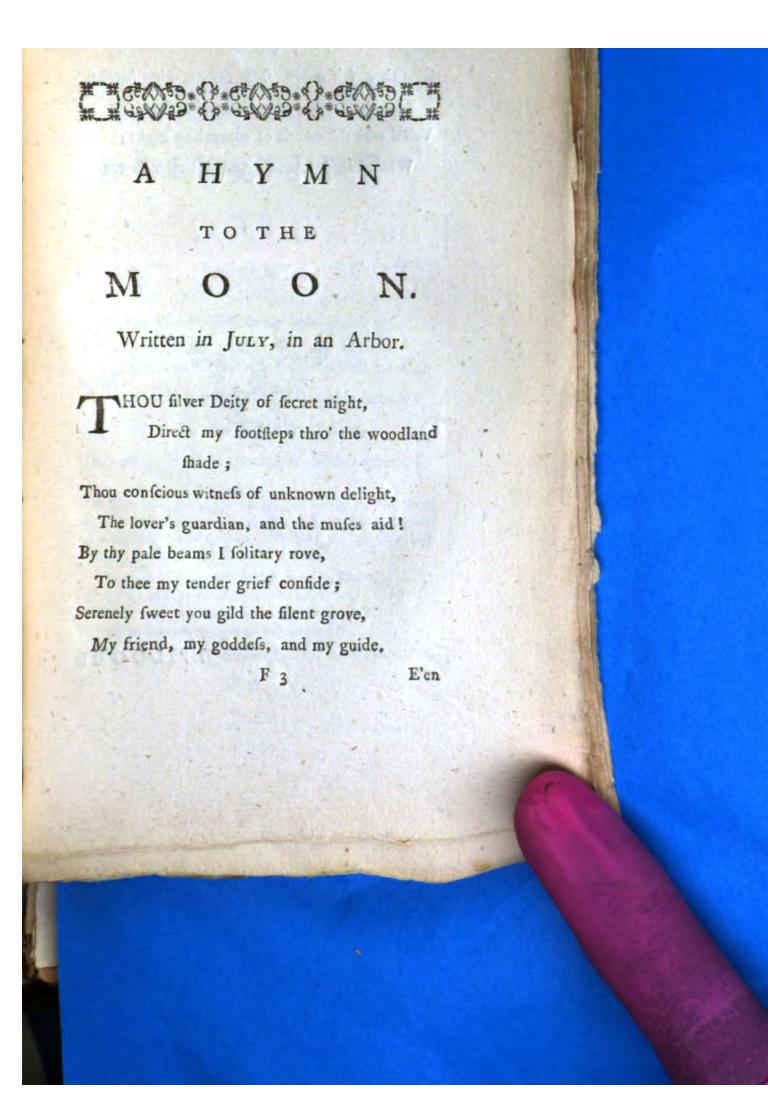
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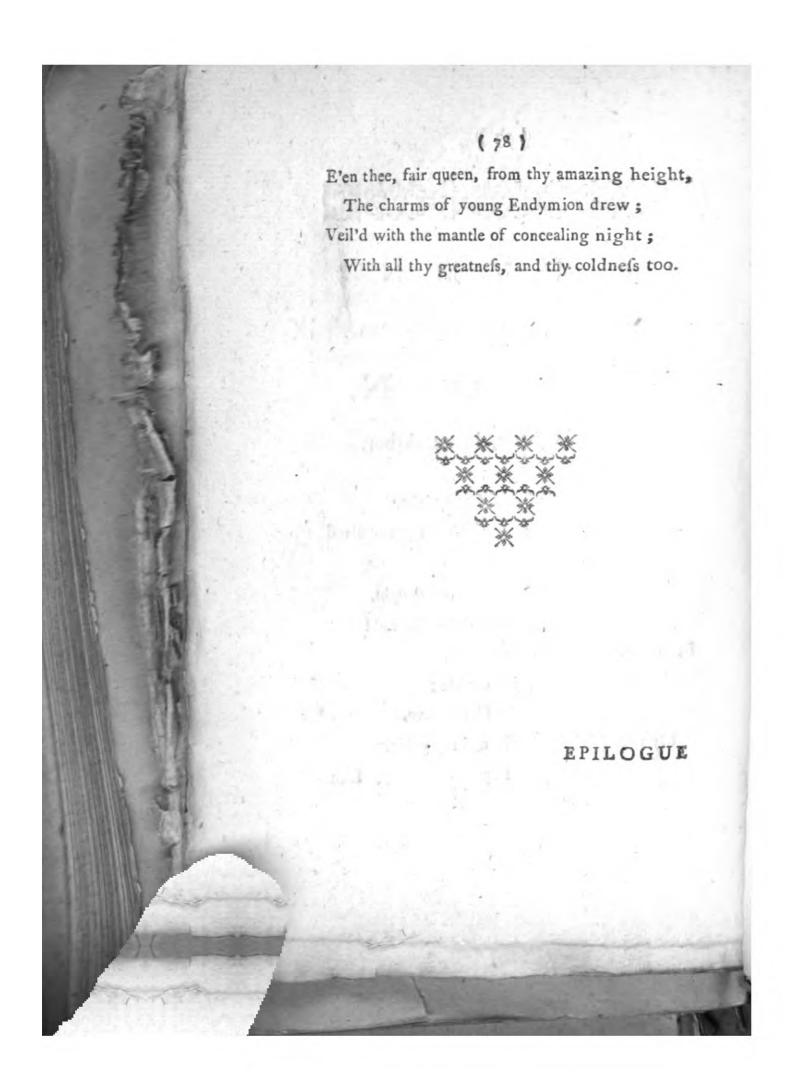


Can all the doctrine of our schools,
Our maxims, our religious rules,
Can learning to our lives ensure
Virtue so bright, or bliss so pure?
The great Creator's happy ends,
Virtue and pleasure ever blends:
In vain the church and court have try'd
Th' united essence to divide;
Alike they find their wild mistake,
The pedant priest, and giddy rake.



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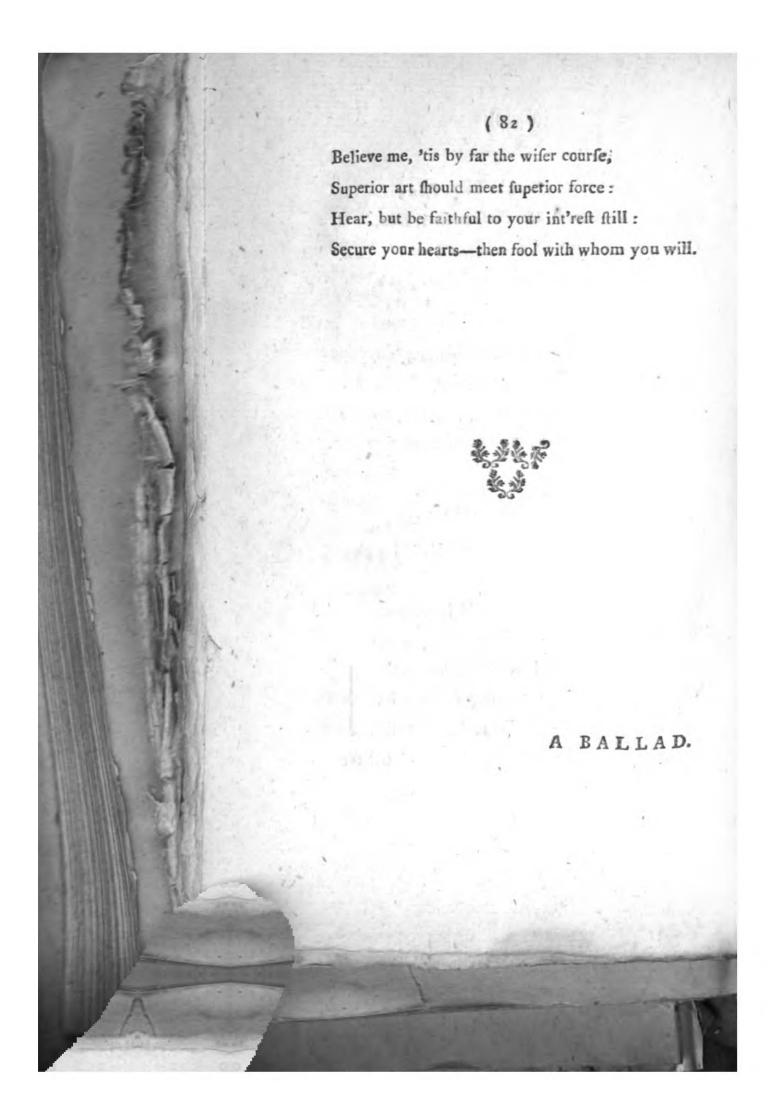
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Vain useless bleffings with ill conduct join'd Light as the air, and fleeting as the wind. Whatever poets write, and lovers vow, Beauty, what poor omnipotence hast thou!

Queen Bess had wisdom, council, power laws;

How few espous'd a wretched beauty's cause Learn thence, ye fair, more solid charms to proceed the contemn the idle flatt'rers of your eyes. The brightest object shines but while 'tis new That influence lessens by familiar view. Monarchs and beauties rule with equal sway All strive to serve, and glory to obey; Alike unpitied when depos'd they grow—Men mock the idol of their former vow.

Two great examples have been shewn to-To what sure ruin passion does betray; What long repentance to short joys is due; When reason rules, what glory does ensue.





A BALLAD.

To the Tune of, The Irish Howl.

I.

To that dear nymph, whose powerful name
Does every throbbing nerve instance,

(As the soft sound I low repeat
My pulse unequal measures beat)
Whose eyes I never more shall see,
That once so sweetly shin'd on thee;
Go, gentle wind! and kindly bear
My tender wishes to the fair.

Hoh, ho, ho, &c.

2.

Amilst her pleasures let her know
The secret anguish of my woe,
The midnight pang, the jealous hell,
Does in this tortur'd bosom dwell:
While laughing she, and sull of play,
Is with her young companions gay;
Or hearing in some fragrant bower
Her lover's sigh, and beauty's power.
Hoh, ho, ho, &c.

3.

Lost and forgotten may I be!

Oh may no pitying thought of me

Disturb the joy that the may find,

When love is crown'd, and fortune kind:

May that bles'd swain (whom jet I hate)

Be proud of his distinguish d tate:

Each





Instead of bright Elysian joys,

That unknown something in the skies,
In recompence of all my pain,
The only heaven I would obtain,
May I the guardian of her charms
Preserve that paradise from harms.

Hoh, ho, ho, &c.



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The LOVER:

A B A L L A D.

To Mr. C-

I.

A T length, by so much importunity press'd,
Take, C—, at once the inside of my breast.
This stupid indisf'rence so often you blame,
Is not owing to nature, to fear, or to shame:
I am not as cold as a virgin in lead,
Nor is Sunday's fermon so strong in my head:
I know but too well how time slies along,
That we live but sew years, and yet sewer are young.

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But I hate to be cheated, and never will Long years of repentance for moments of Oh! was there a man (but where shall I Good sense and good-nature so equally jo Would value his pleasure, contribute to a Not meanly would boast, nor lewdly desired Not over severe, yet not stupidly vain, For I would have the power, tho' not give

III.

No pedant, yet learned; no rake helly go Or laughing, because he has nothing to so To all my whole sex, obliging and free, Yet never be fond of any but me; In public preserve the decorum that's just And shew in his eyes he is true to his true. Then rarely approach, and respectfully be But not sulfomely pert, nor soppically low.



IV.

But when the long hours of public are past,
And we meet with champagne and a chicken at last,
May every fond pleasure that moment endear;
Be banish'd afar both discretion and fear!
Forgetting or scorning the airs of the crowd,
He may cease to be formal, and I to be proud,
'Till lost in the joy, we confess that we live,
And he may be rude, and yet I may forgive.

V.

And that my delight may be folidly fix'd,

Let the friend and the lover be handsomely mix'd,

In whose tender bosom my soul may conside,

Whose kindness can sooth me, whose counsel can
guide.

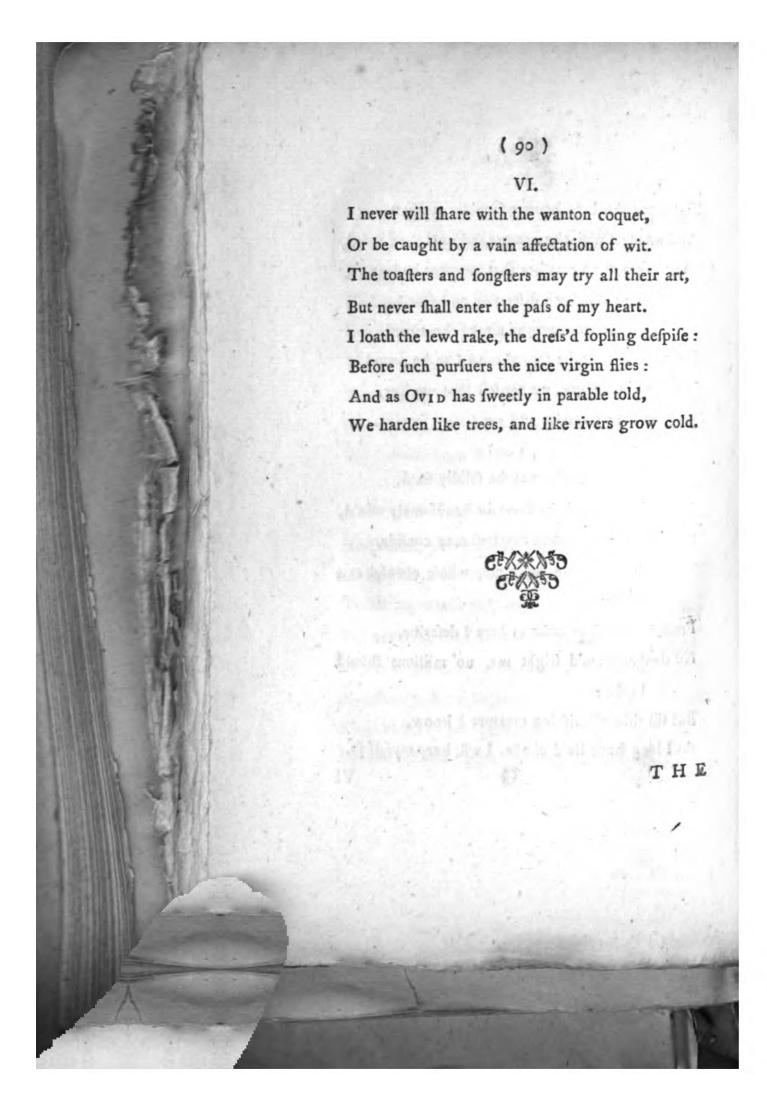
From fuch a dear lover as here I describe,

No danger should fright me, no millions should

bribe;

But till this astonishing creature I know, As I long have liv'd chaste, I will keep myself so.

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LADY'S RESOLVE.

Written extempore on a Window.

WHILST thirst of praise, and vain desire of fame,

In every age, is every woman's aim;

With courtship pleas'd, of silly toasters proud,

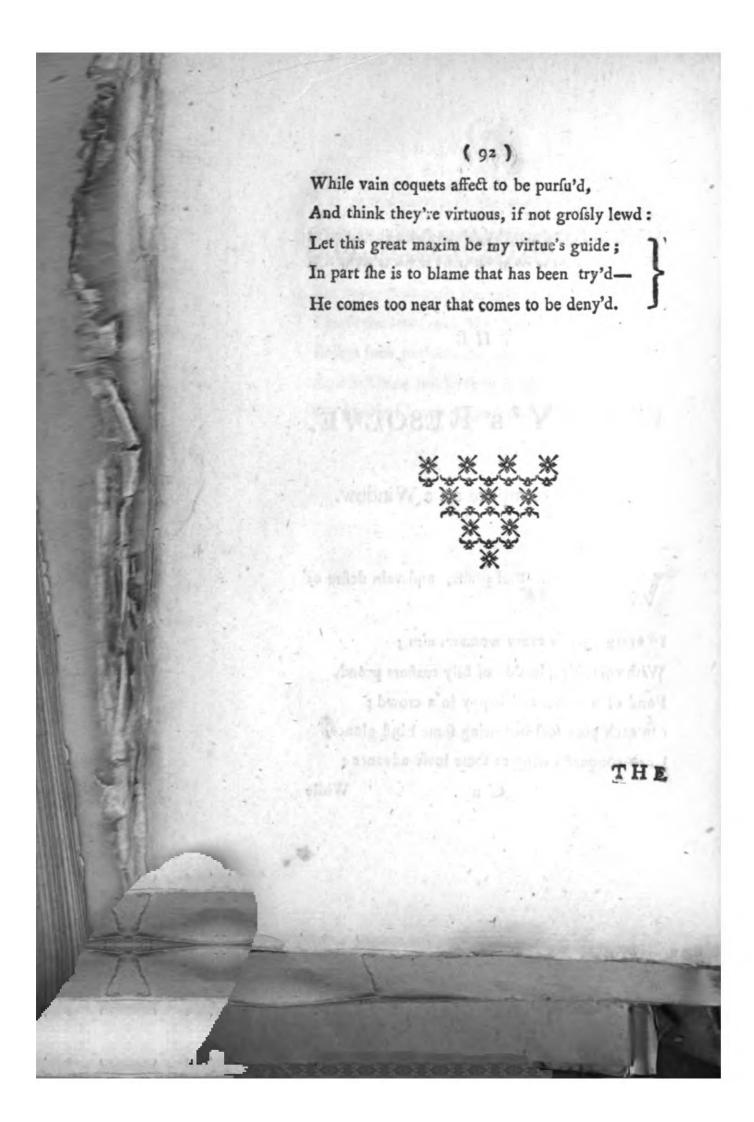
Fond of a train, and happy in a crowd;

On each poor fool bestowing some kind glance,

Each conquest owing to some loose advance;

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Let this great maxim be my action's guide,

May I ne'er hope, though I am ne'er deny'd;

Nor think a woman won, that's willing to be

try'd.



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A MAN in Love.

L'Homme qui ne se trouve point & ne se trouvera jamais.

THE man who feels the dear disease,
Forgets himself, neglects to please:
The crowd avoids and seeks the groves,
And much he thinks when much he loves;
Press'd with alternate hope and fear,
Sighs in her absence, sighs when she is near.
The gay, the fond, the fair, the young,
Those trisses pass unseen along;
To him a pert, insipid throng.
But most he shuns the vain coquet;
Contemns her false affected wit:

The

The minstrels sound, the slowing bowl Oppress and hurt the am'rous soul.
'Tis solitude alone can please,
And give some intervals of ease.
He seeds the soft distemper there,
And sondly courts the distant fair;
To balls, the silent shade prefers,
And hates all other charms but hers.
When thus your absent swain can do,
Molly, you may believe him true.





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RECEIPT

To Cure the

VAPOURS.

Written to Lady J-N.

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Why will Delia thus retire,
And idly languish life away?
While the fighing crowd admire,
'Tis too soon for hartshorn tea:

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All those dismal looks and fretting Cannot Damon's life restore; Long ago the worms have eat him, You can never see him more.

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Once again confult your toilette,

In the glass your face review:

So much weeping foon will spoil it,

And no spring your charms renew.

IV.

I, like you, was born a woman,
Well I know what vapours mean:
The difease, alas! is common;
Single, we have all the spleen.

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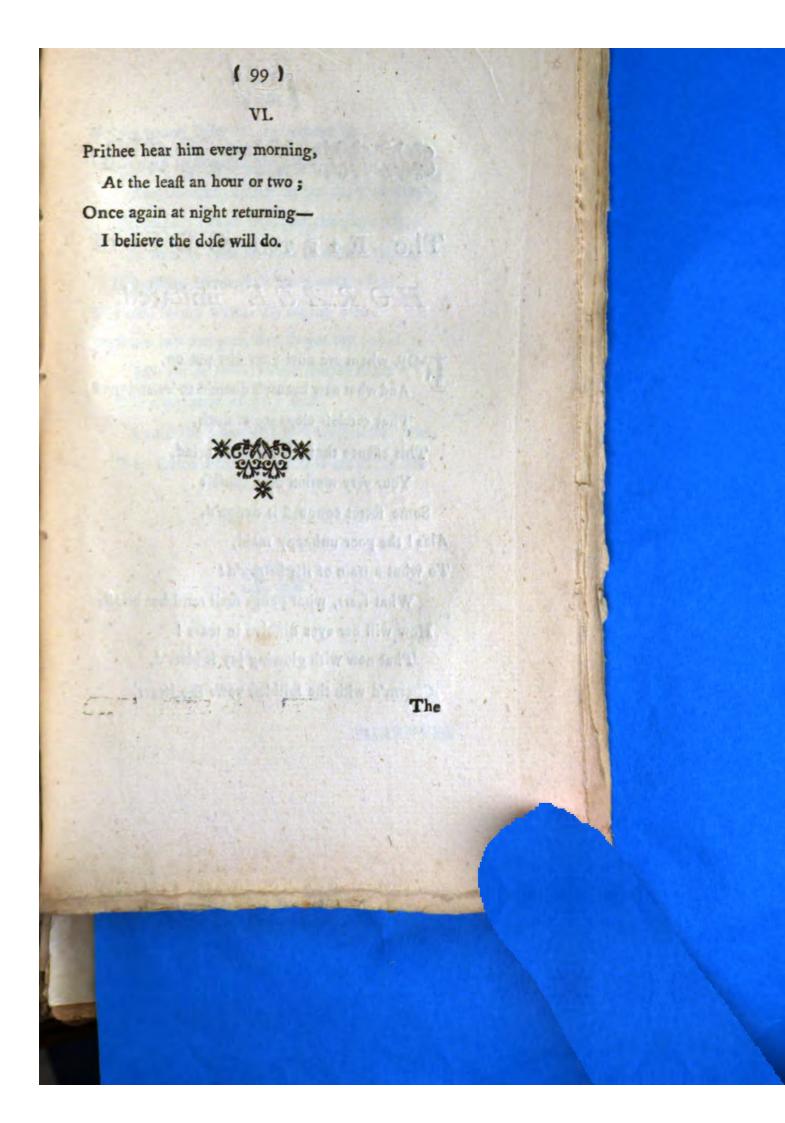
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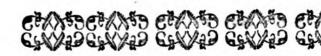
Never cur'd the forrow yet:

Chuse, among the pretty fellows,

One of honour, youth, and wit.

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The FIFTH ODE HORACE imitate

POR whom are now your airs put on,
And what new beauty's doom'd to be un
That careless elegance of dress,
This essence that perfumes the wind,
Your very motion does confess
Some secret conquest is design'd.
Alas! the poor unhappy maid,
To what a train of ills betray'd!

What fears, what pangs shall rend her lead her lead her lead will her eyes dissolve in tears!

That now with glowing joy is bless'd,

Charm'd with the faithless vows she hears.

So the young failor on the summer sea, Gaily pursues his destin'd way:

Fearless and careless on the deck he stands,

Till sudden storms arise and thunders roll;

In vain he casts his eyes to distant lands,

Distracting terror tears his timorous soul.

For me, secure I view the raging main,

Past are my dangers, and forgot my pain:

My votive tablet in the temple shews

The monument of folly past;

I paid the bounteous god my grateful vows,

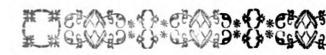
Who snatch'd from ruin, sav'd me at the last.



And the ye beautiful to you.

Lo cheer you flom the doungs.

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TO

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And eke, ye beaus, to you,
With aiking heart, and watry eyes,
I bid my last adieu.

Farewell ye nymphs, who waters fip

Hot reeking from the pumps,

While music lends her friendly aid,

To cheer you from the dumps.

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Farewell, ye wits, who prating fland,
And criticife the fair;
Yourselves the joke of men of sense,
Who hate a coxcomb's air.

Farewell to Deard's, and all her toys,
Which glitter in her shop,
Deluding traps to girls and boys,
The warehouse of the sop.

Lindfay's and Hayes's both farewell,

Where in the spacious hall;

With bounding steps, and sprightly air,

I've led up many a ball.

Where Somerville of courteous mein,

Was partner in the dance,

With swimming Haws, and Brownlow blithe,

And Britton pink of France.

Poor



Poor Nash, farewell! may fortune smile,
Thy drooping soul revive,
My heart is full, I can no more—
John, bid the Coachman drive.



Thence greatly scorning what the world calls Contemn the proud, their tumults, power an And deem it thence inglorious to descend For ought below, but virtue and a friend. How com'ft thou fram'd, so different from t Whom trifles ravish, and whom trifles vex Capricious things, all flutter, whim and sh And light and varying as the winds that To candour, sense, to love, to friendship To flatterers fools, and coxcombs only ki Say whence those hints, those bright ideas That warm thy breast with friendship's holy That close thy heart against the joys of yo And ope thy mind to all the rays of truth, That with fuch sweetness and such grace a The gay, the prudent, virtuous, and polit As heaven inspires thy sentiment divine, May heaven vouchsafe a friendship worth A friendship, plac'd where ease and fragrand Where nature sways us, and no laws reftra





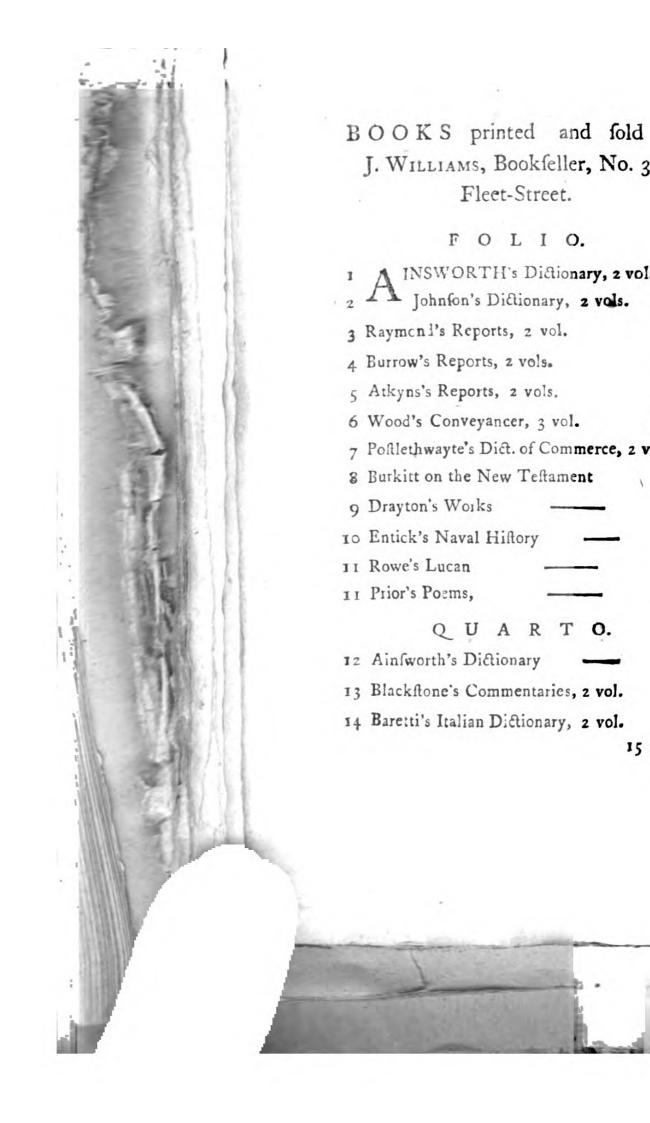
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To the FAIR SEX.

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But only differ in the name;
For when that fatal knot is ty'd,
Which nothing, nothing can divide;
When she the word obey has said,
And man by law supreme is made,
Then all that's kind is laid aside,
And nothing lest but state and pride:
Fierce as an Eastern prince he grows,
And all his innate rigour shows;

Then





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