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I.

Most true it is, I dare to say,
E'er since the days of Eve,
The weakest woman sometimes may
The wisest man deceive.

II

For Davenant circumspect, sedate,
A Machiavel by trade,
Arriv'd express, with news of weight,
And thus, at court, he said.

III

At Godtisman, hard by the Bull,
 A woman long thought barren,
 Bears rabbits, Gad! so plentiful,
 You'd take her for a warren.

IV

These eyes, quoth he, beheld them clear:
 What, do ye doubt my view?
 Behold this narrative that's here;
 Why, Zounds! and Blood! 'Tis true.

V

Some said that Douglas sent should be
 Some talk'd of Walkers merit
 But most held, in this midwifery,
 No doctor like a ferret.

VI

But Molineux, who heard this told,
 (Right wary he and wise)
 Cry'd sagely, 'Tis not safe, I hold,
 To trust to Davenants eyes.

VII

a vow to God he then did make
 He would himself go down,
 St Andre' too, the scale to look
 Of that Phenomenon.

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VIII.

He order'd then his coach and four;
 (The coach was quickly got 'em)
 Resolv'd this secret to explore,
 And search it to the Bottom.

IX

At Godliman they now arrive,
 For haste they made exceeding;
 As courtiers should, when'er they strive
 To be inform'd of Breeding.

X

The good wife to the surgeon sent,
 And said to him, Good neighbour,
 'Tis pity that two squires so gent—
 Should come and lose their labour.

XI

The surgeon with a rabbit came,
 But first in pieces cut it;
 Then slyly thrust it up that same,
 As far as man could put it.

XII

(Ye Guildford Inn keepers take heed
 You dress not such a rabbit,
 Ye Poult'ers eke, destroy the breed,
 'Tis so unsav'ry a bit.

The order of the day is to be kept
The court was held at 10 o'clock
The first case was the case of
The second case was the case of

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The third case was the case of
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XIII.

But hold! says Molly, first let's try,
 Now that her legs are ope,
 If ought within we may discover,
 By help of telescope.

XIV.

The instrument himself did make,
 He rais'd and level'd right,
 But all about was so opaque,
 It could not aid his sight.

XV.

On tiptoe then the squire he stood,
 (But first he gave her money)
 Then reach'd as high as e'er he cou'd
 And cry'd, I feel a Goney.

XVI.

Is it alive? St André cry'd;
 It is; I feel it stir.
 Is it full grown? the squire reply'd;
 It is; see here's the fur.

XVII.

And now two legs St André got,
 And then came two legs more;
 Now fell the head to Molly's lot,
 And so the work was o'er.

XIII

That bold, unyielding spirit that
thru' that dark, gloomy night
I might behold in every clasp
The path of duty.

XIV

The rich, unbroken night
The moon's pale, silvery light
That all about me shone
It could not hide his light.

XV

For light there was the night
That from the mountain's summit
Shone forth as bright as day
And all about me lay.

XVI

Is it alone, O lonely soul,
That feel of this world's pain
In its full power; but spirit's light
It is, we have a light.

XVII

That voice that says, "I know not
What there is in this world
That for the heart is better
Than in the world was not."

XVIII

The woman, thus being brought to bed,
 Said, to reward your pains,
 St Andre shall dissect the head,
 And thou shalt have the brains.

XIX

He lap'd it in a linnen Rag,
 Then thank'd her for her kindness;
 And cram'd it in the velvet bag
 That serves his royal highness

XX

That bag... which Jenny, wanton slut,
 First brought to foul disgrace;
 Stealing the papers thence she put
 Veal cutlets in their place.

XXI

O! happy would it be, I ween,
 Could they these rabbits smother;
 Molly had ne'er a midwife been,
 Nor she a shameful mother.

XXII

Why has the proverb falsely said
 Better two heads than one;
 Could Molly hide this rabbits head,
 He still might shew his own.

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XVIII

The account, then, being finished, it was
said, it remains to give account
of those who were with the king
at that time, and of the things
that they did, and the things
that they said.

XIX

The first of these things was
that the king, when he was
at the court, he was very
pleased to see the king, and
that he was very glad to see
the king, and that he was very
glad to see the king.

XX

That day, when the king was
at the court, he was very
pleased to see the king, and
that he was very glad to see
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XXI

At that time, when the king
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