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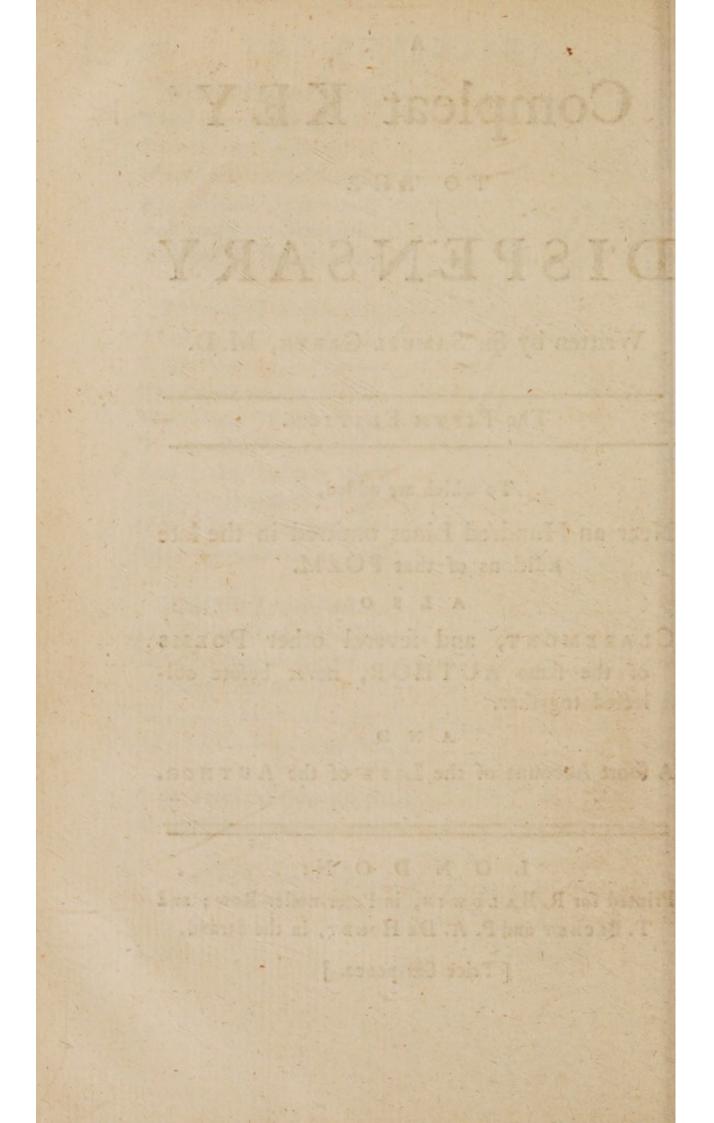
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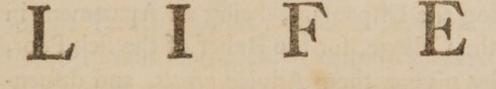
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OF

Sir SAMUEL GARTH, M.D.



IR SAMUEL GARTH, an excellent English Poet and Phyfician, was defeended of a good Family in Yorkshire. After he had paffed through his School

Education, he was removed to Peter-House in Cambridge, where he was created Doctor of Physick, July the 7th, 1691. His first. Examination before the College of Phy-A 2 ficians

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ficians was on the 12th of March, 1691-2; and he was admitted Fellow, June the 26th, 1693. On the 17th of September 1697, he made a Latin Oration before the College, to the great Satisfaction of the Auditors, and his oven Honour, as it is expressed in the Register of that College. In 1696 he zealoufly promoted and encouraged the erecting the Difpenfary, being an Apartment in the College, for the Relief of the fick Poor, by giving them Advice gratis, and difpenfing Medicines to them at low Rates. This Work of Charity having exposed him and many other Phyficians to the Envy and Refentment of feveral Perfons of the fame Faculty as well as Apothecaries, he ridiculed them with a peculiar Spirit and Vivacity in a Poem called the Dispensary * in fix Canto's; which, though it first stole into the World incorrect in the Year 1699, yet bore in a few Months three Impressions, and

* Major Richardson Pack, in his Miscellanies, p. 102, 2d Edit. in 8vo, observes, that this Poem bath lost and gained in every Edition. Almost every Thing that Sir Samuel left out was a Robbery from the Publick; every Thing be added bath been an Embellishment to his Poem. These Omissions are supplied at the End of this Key.

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and was afterwards printed feveral Times with a Dedication to Anthony Henley, Efq; and commendatory Verfes by Mr. Charles Boyle, afterwards Earl of Orrery, Colonel Christopher Codrington, Thomas Cheek, Efq; and Colonel Henry Blount. This Poem raifed our Author a prodigious Reputation; which together with his great Learning and Skill in his Profession, his Politeness, agreeable Conversation, and good Humour, procured him a vaft Practice, and gained him the Friendship and Esteem of most of the Nobility and Gentry of both Sexes. He was one of the most eminent Members of a famous - Society, called the Kit-Cat-Club, which confifted of above thirty Noblemen and Gentlemen, diftinguished by their excellent Parts, and Affection to the Protestant Succession in the House of Hanover. October the 3d, 1702, he was elected one of the Cenfors of the College of Phylicians. He was in particular Favour and Efteem with the Duke of Marlborough, whole Difgrace and voluntary Exile abroad he lamented in a fine Copy of Verses. In 1711 he wrote a Dedication for an intended Edition of Lucretius to his late Majesty, then Elector A 3

Elector of Brunswick, upon whose Accesfion to the Throne he had the Honour of Knighthood conferred upon him by his Majefty with the Duke of Marlborough's Sword. He was likewife made Phyfician in Ordinary to his Majefty, and Phyfician General to the Army. As his own Merit procured him a great Interest with those in Power, fo his Humanity and good Nature inclined him to make use of that Interest, rather for the Support and Encouragement of other Men of Letters, than for the Advancement of his own Fortune. He wrote fome other Pieces befides those above-mentioned. He died January the 18th, 1718-19, and was interred on the 22d of the fame Month in the Church of Harrow on the Hill, in a Vault there built by him for the Interment of his Family. Mr. Pope, in one of his Letters, stiles him the best natured of Men; and tells us, that " his Death was very "heroical, and yet unaffected enough to " have made a Saint, or a Philosopher fa-" mous. But ill Tongues and worfe Hearts " have branded even his last Moments, as " wrongfully as they did his Life, with " Irreligion. You must have heard many " Tales

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" Tales on this Subject; but if ever there " was a good Chriftian without knowing " himfelf to be fo, it was Dr. Garth." Mr. Granville, afterwards Lord Lanfdowne, wrote a fine Copy of Verfes to our Author in his Illnefs. He had an only Daughter, who was married to Colonel Boyle, Brother to Henry Boyle, Efq; Speaker of the Houfe of Commons in Ireland, and one of his Majefty's Lords Juffices, and Commiffioners of his Majefty's Revenues in Ireland.

VERSES fent to Dr. GARTH in his Illnefs, by Mr. GRANVILLE, afterwards Lord LANSDOWN.

MACHAON fick! in every Face we find His Danger is the Danger of Mankind; Whofe Art protecting, Nature could expire, But by a Deluge, or the general Fire.

More Lives he faves than perifh in our Wars; And, fafter than a Plague deftroys, repairs. The bold Caroufer, and th' advent'rous Dame, Nor fear the Fever, nor refufe the Flame; Safe in his Skill, from all Reftraint fet free, But confcious Shame, Remorfe, or Piety.

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Sire of all Arts, defend thy darling Son, Reftore the Man, whofe Life's fo much our own; On whom, like *Atlas*, the whole World's reclin'd; And by preferving *Garth*, preferve Mankind.



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In the first COPY of VERSES To Dr. GARTH upon the Dispensary. Line 2. IKE * M gue's could a just Piece suftain.

> Charles Mountague, Lord Hallifax.

Line 15. When + S-rs charming Eloquence.

+ The Ld. Somers, formerly Ld. Chancellor,

Line 20. What * D___s can't condemn, nor + D___n mend.

> * Dennis, a fowre, fupercilious and illnatur'd Critic and Poetaster.

+ Dryden, a famous Poet.

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In the Second COPY of VERSES, written by the late Colonel CODRINGTON, Governor of the Leeward Iflands.



³ The Lady —— Churchill, one of the Duke of Marlborough's Daughters.

Line 22. Lucretius, Horace, I Sand, 2 Manue,

¹ John Sheffield, Earl of Mulgrave, Marquis of Normanby, and Duke of Buckingham. The Works of this noble Peer were publifhed in the Year 1723, under the Infpection of Mr. Pope. Since re-printed in two Volumes Octavo.

2 Montague, Lord Hallifax.

Line 27. Facetious 1 M and the City 2 B.

² The City Bard, Sir Richard Blackmore.

Line 36. H-s, Dr. Hans.

Line 37. R-, Dr. Ratcliffe.

Line 39. M-l's, i. e. Mirmil's, Dr. Gibbons.

Line 42. W-b, the late William Walfb, Efq;

Line 43. To I S and 2 D too fubmit.

I The Lord Somers.

² The late Earl of Dorfet.

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I Finch, the late Lord Guernsey.

² Sloan, a late Lawyer, famous in Westminster-Hall for bis Vociferation and Impudence, in both which he does not want a Succeffor.

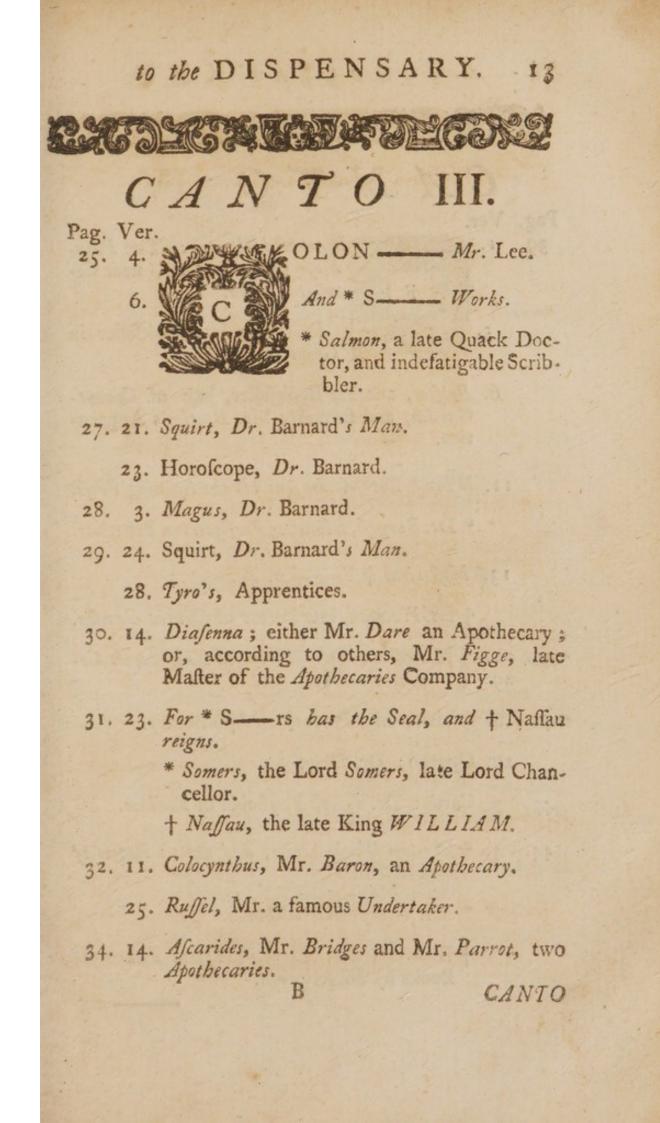
8. 16. Urim was civil, &c.

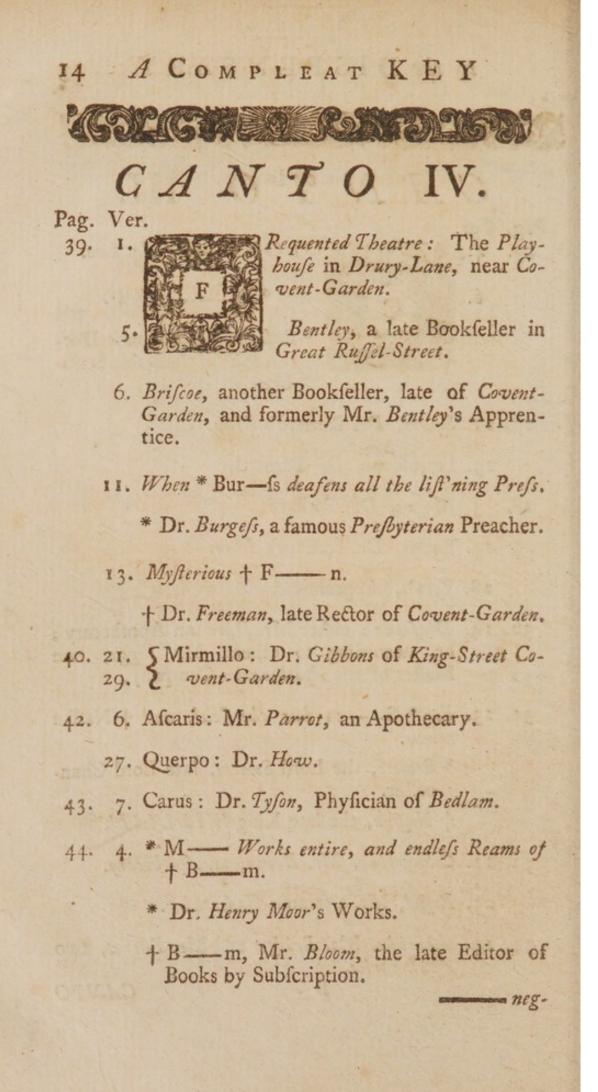
What fiery Divine is here meant by Urim, is eafy to guefs; 'tis but looking over the Lifts of the Prolocutors, and of the Prelates that have fill'd the See of Rockefter, and then confider which of them the Character of Urim fits beft.

9. 16. NASSAU, the late King WILLIAM.

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to the DISPENSARY. 15 Pag. Ver. neglected C-s: Dr. Collins. 44. 5. 6. 5 Carus : Dr. Tyfon. 8. 2 ----9. 5 Umbra : Dr. Cole. 13. 2 ----20. * C---- a Lycurgus, and a Phocian + R----* Sir Henry Dutton Colt, late Member of Parliament for Westminster. + Mr. Anthony Roave. 24. Horoscope: Dr. Barnard. 45. 1. 5 Vagellius: Sir Barth. Shower, a late 12. 2 Lawyer, famous for Declamation. 9. * Or-d suspected, + D-b innocent. * Adm. Ruffell, late Earl of Orford. + The late Sir Charles Duncomb. 17. Horofcope, Dr. Barnard. 23. Arms meet with Arms, &c. Verfes quoted out of Dr. Blackmore's King Arthur, and Prince Arthur. 46. 22. Read * W -----, confider + D ----- well. * Mr. Wycherly, a Poet famous for folid Wit · and Senfe. + Mr. Dryden, a late Poet, who will ever be famous for good Verfification. 25. If * D_'s sprightly Muse. * The late Earl of Dorset. B 2 - Th'

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- 46. 29. Th' immortal Brows of * A ____n. * Mr. Addison.
- 47. 1. Tuneful C—ve: Mr. Congreve, a Poet, principally famous for his Pastorals and Dramatic Writings.

6. St ----: The late Mr. Stepney.

7. P---: Mr. Prior, a Poet.

- 9. Sequana: The Seine, the River that runs thro' Paris.
- 16. M -ue's, Montague, Lord Hallifax.
- 24. Horofcope, Dr. Barnard.

49. 10. And each bright * Churchill of the Galaxy.

- * A high, nice, and just Compliment the Author pays to the Duke of Marlborough's Daughters.
- 51. 19. Sir Scrape-Quill Any UPSTART in the City, or at Court.
 - 23. Spadillio: A Footman, who has got an Effate: I fuppole the Author means Mr.
 A _____ r M ____ re.
- 52. 6. Shall for a * H-, a greater + M --- find.
 - * Hesse, the late Prince of Hesse Darmstadt.
 - *† Mordaunt*, the Earl of *Peterborough* and *Monmouth*, who took *Barcelona*, after the Death of the Prince of *Heffe*.

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CANTO V.

Pag. Ver.

56. 15. Ser IRMILLO, Dr. Gib-

56. 19.



Have I made * S-th, and + Sh-ck difagree?

of Westminster, and \dagger Dr. South, Prebendary of Westminster, and \dagger Dr. Sherlock, late Dean of St. Paul's, and Master of the Temple, who wrote against one another about the TRINITY; and so managed the Controversy, that the Public were of Opinion, That the first proved there is but one GOD; and the other, That there are Three. The Dispute was ridiculed in a Ballad, to the Tune of A Soldier and a Sailor, &c. and which begins thus,

A Dean and Prebendary, Had once a new Vagary, &c.

56. 21. F-fon, Ferguson, the famous Plotmonger.

57. 3. Mirmillo, Dr. Gibbons.

4. Querpo, Dr. How.

21. Let * P _____ Speak, and + V ____ g write.

* The Earl of Peterborough.

+ Sir John Vanbrugh, a Gentleman much cried up for his Dramatic Pieces, when the Difpenfary was first writ; but who afterwards turned his Genius to Architecture. See Swift's Poem on Van's House.

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57. 25. Had * C --- printed nothing of his own,

26. He had not been the + S-fold of the Town.

* Dr. Colebatch.

+ Saffold, a celebrated Empiric, whofe Bills were formerly fet up in all publick Diuretic Places in London and Westminster, to the great Comfort and Entertainment of idle Country Folks.

58. 1. Had * W ---- never aim'd in Verse to please.

- * Mr. Weftley, a Divine, who has wrote a great deal of Holy Doggrel.
- 2. Ogilby's: Mr. Ogilby would have, perhaps, got fome Reputation, if he had afpired no higher than Reynard the Fox: But having ventur'd to translate in Verfe the fubliment Latin Poets, his Name will, as long as the English Tongue lives, fignify a Poetaster.
- 8. And to a * B--ley 'tis we owe a + B-le.
 - * Dr. Bentley, Keeper of the Royal Library.
 - + Charles Boyle, the late Earl of Orrery.
 - Towards the Clofe of the laft Century, there arofe a Difpute between those two Gentlemen about the Epistles of *Phalaris*, which was maintained with a great deal of *Urba*nity and good Manners on one Side, and with equal Sufficiency and Pedantry on the other Side.

Mirmillo:

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 - 59. 9. { Mirmillo : } Dr. Gibbons.

59. 21. Querpo: Dr. How.

23. By Mulciber the Mayor of Birmingham.

Every one knows that Mulciber was one of the Heathen Gods, otherwife called Vulcan; but 'tis the Opinion of many, that our Poet means here Mr. Tho. Foley, a Lawyer of notable Parts.

- 60. 13. { Querpo: } Dr. How.
 - 19. Querpoides : Dr. How's Son.

26. Carus : Dr. Tyfon.

61. 1. Oran Outang, or Man Ape: A Defcription and Print of which, fee in the third Volume of the New Collection of Voyages, in Quarto, published by Authority.

61. 26. Querpo : Dr. How.

62. 20. That * P—ke's Works, and + O—d's Valour tells.

* The Earl of Pembroke.

+ The Duke of Ormond.

21. How Truth in * B , how in + C fh reigns.

* Burnet : The late Bishop of Sarum.

+ Cavendish: The Duke of Devonshire.

If

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Pag. Ver. 62. 24. If + W ____ plead, or * S ____ or ‡ O __ ly preach. + Sir Francis Winnington. * Dr. South. ‡ Dr. Only, Minister of St. Margaret's. 28. Stentor, Dr. Goodall, of the Charter-house. 63. 1. Machaon, Sir Tho. Millington, Prefident of the College of Phyficians. 65. 6. Stentor, Dr. Goodall. 7. Carus, Dr. Tyfon. 8. Colon, Mr. Lee. Sertorius, a Phyfician. 12. Chiron, Mr. Gill. Talthibius, another Phyfician. 16. Pfylas, Dr. Chamberlayne, Man-Midwife. 65. 29. Hermes, a Phyfician. 66. 3. Trifmegifts, two other Phyficians. 19. Stentor, Dr. Goodall.

20. Querpo, Dr. How.

67. 4. Querpoides, Dr. How's Son.

68. 15. The Hero, Dr. How.

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ND borrow * C-l's Shape, and + G---'s Air.

* Cecil, the late Countefs of Salifbury.

+ The Duchefs of Grafton.

7. Her Eyes like * R gh's their Beams difpense.

* The Countefs of Ranelagh.

8. With * C-ll's Bloom, and + B-ley's Innocence.

* Churchill, one of the Duke of Marlborough's Daughters.

+ The Countefs of Berkley.

12. Machaon, Sir Tho. Millington.

- 72. 5. 5 Celfus 7 Dr. Bateman, a Phyfician. 9.
 - 18. Strimonian Squadron, i.e. the Cranes.
 - 19. The Delegate, 27. Heav'nly Guide, } Dr. Bateman.
- 75. 7. Hygeia, the Goddels Health.

8. Celfus, Dr. Bateman.

- 20. Copious M-, Dr. Moreton.
- 77. 5. { Celfus, } Dr. Bateman.

Guâicum

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78. 2. Guâicum, Mr. Hobbs, Surgeon.

11. Celfus, Dr. Bateman.

28. Blefs'd Harvey: The late famous Dr. Harwey, who compleated the Difcovery of the Circulation of the Blood.

- 79. 6. Celfus, 24. Delegate, } Dr. Bateman.
- 80. 7. Olivia, Whoever has the leaft Know-ledge of the Town, and Beau Monde, will eafily know where to fix thefe three fistitious Names.

29. Hygeia, Health.

32. 21. Willis, Dr. Willis.

25. Wharton, Bates, and Gliffon: Three Doctors of Phyfic.

83. I. Your Charge: Dr. Bateman.

3. Matchlefs Atticus: The Lord Somers, then Lord Chancellor.

4. Great NASSAU: The late KING WILLIAM.

- 84. 1. Would Phœbus, or his * G _____le, but inspire.
 * Granville, the Lord Lansdowne.
 - 25. Celfus, Dr. Bateman.

VERSES

VERSES omitted, &c. 23

VERSES omitted in the late Editions of the DISPENSARY.

Canto I. Page 5. after Impudence to S---e, Line 10, add

Why Moreton muddy, Montagu why clear?

Ibid. Page 9. after and thus went on. Line 25.

Sometimes among the Caspian Cliffs I creep, Where folitary Bats and Swallows fleep: Or if fome Cloyfter's Refuge I implore, Where holy Drones o'er dying Tapers fnore, Still Nassau's Arms a foft Repose deny, Keep me awake, and follow where I fly.

Since he has blefs'd the weary World with Peace, And with a Nod has bid *Bellona* ceafe; I fought the Covert of fome peaceful Cell, Where filent Shades in harmlefs Raptures dwell; That Reft might paft Tranquillity reftore, And Mortal never interrupt me more.

Canto II.

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Canto II. Page 15. after unrelenting Storm. Line 18, add

Then fhe: Alas! how long in vain have I Aim'd at those noble Ills the Fates deny : Within this life for ever must I find Difasters to distract my reftless mind ? Good Tillot fon's Celeftial Piety At last has rais'd him to the Sacred See. Somers does fick'ning Equity reftore, And helpless Orphans are oppress'd no more. Pembroke to Britain endlefs bleffings brings; He spoke; and Peace clapp'd her Triumphant Wings: Great Ormond thines illustrioufly bright With Blazes of Hereditary Right. The noble Ardour of a Royal Fire Infpires the generous Breaft of Delamere. And * Mulgrace ever active to defend His Country with the Zeal he loves his Friend. Like Leda's radiant Sons divinely clear, Portland and Jersey deck'd in Rays appear, To gild by Turns the Gallic Hemisphere. Worth in Diftress is rais'd by Montague, Augustus listens if Mæcenas sue. And Vernon's Vigilance no Slumber takes, Whilft Faction peeps abroad, and Anarchy awakes.

Canto III. Page 28. after discern each Hour: Line 29, add

Thou that would'ft lay whole States and Regions wafte, Sooner than we thy Cormorants fhould faft.

* Duke of Buckingham.

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Ganto III. Page 31. after Spring and Fall. Line 12, add

But now late Jars our Practices detect, For Mines, when once difcover'd, lofe th' Effect. Diffentions, like fmall Streams, are first begun, Scarce feen they rife, but gather as they run. So Lines that from their Parallel decline, More they advance, the more they still disjoin. 'Tis therefore my Advice, in hafte we fend, And beg the Faculty to be our Friend. As he revolving stood to fay the rest, Rough Colocynthus * thus his Rage exprest.

Canto IV. Page 46. after amorous Fire. Line 27, add

The Tyber now no gentle Gallus fees, But finiling Fhames enjoys her + Normanbys.

Canto V. Page 63. after Foes, or die. Line 10, add

What Stentor ‡ offer'd was by moft approv'd; But fev'ral Voices fev'ral Methods mov'd. At length th' advent'rous Heroes all agree T' expect the Foe, and act offenfively. Into the Shop their bold Battalions move, And what their Chief commands, the reft approve. Down from the Walls they tear the Shelves in haffe, Which on their Flank for Palifades are plac'd; And then, behind the Compter rang'd they ftand, Their Front fo well fecur'd, t' obey Command.

* Mr. Baron, an Apothecary.

- + John Sheffield, Duke of Buckingham. See 1. 10:
- I Stentor, Dr. Goodall.

- MAde

And

26 VERSES omitted, &c.

And now the Scouts the adverfe Hoft defery, Blue Aprons in the Air for Colours fly : With unrefifted Force they urge their Way, And find the Foe embattel'd in Array.

Canto V. Page 67, after wink at Herefy, Line 26, add

Faith fland unmov'd thro' Stilling fleet's Defence, And Locke for Mystery abandon Sense.

These two Authors wrote against each other.

CLARE-

Addrefs'd to the Right Honourable the

EARL of CLARE,

NOW.

Dake of Newcastle.

Dryadum filvas, faltusque sequamur Intactos, tua, Mæcenas, haud mollia jussa. Virg.

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CTART-

T H E

PREFACE.

HEY that have seen those two excellent Poems of Cooper's Hill and Windsor-Forest; the one by Sir J. Denham, the other by Mr. Pope; will show a great deal of Gandour if they approve of this. It was writ upon giving the Name of Claremont to a Villa, now belonging to the Earl of Clare. The Situation is so agreeable and surprising, that it inclines one to think, some Place of this Nature put Ovid at first. upon the Story of Narciffus and Echo, 'Tis probable be bad observed some Spring arising amongst Woods and Rocks, where Echos were heard ; and some Flower bending over the Stream, and by Confequence reflected from it. After reading the Story in the Third Book of the Metamorphofis, 'tis obvious to object (as an ingenious Friend has already done) that the renewing the Charms of a Nymph, of which Ovid had dispossed ber,

-----vox tantum atque offa fuperfunt,

is too great a Violation of Poetical Authority. I dare fay the Gentleman who is meant, wou'd have been well pleas'd to have found no Faults. There are not many Authors one can fay the fame of: Experience shows us every Day, that there are Writers, who cannot bear a Brother shou'd succeed, and the only Refuge from their Indignation is by being inconfiderable; upon which Reflection, this Thing ought to have a Pretence to their Favour.

They who wou'd be more inform'd of what relates to the Antient Britons, and the Druids their Priests, may be directed by the Quotations to the Authors that have mention'd them.

CLARE-

(29)



1475 ANTON

HAT Frenzy has of late poffefs'd the Brain? [refrain. Tho' Few can write, yet Fewer can So rank our Soil, our Bards rife in fuch Store,

Their rich Retaining Patrons fcarce are more. The Laft indulge the Fault, the First commit ; And take off still the Offal of their Wit. So shameless, so abandon'd are their Ways; They poche *Parnaffus*, and lay Snares for Praise.

None ever can without Admirers live, Who have a Penfion or a Place to give. Great Minifters ne'er fail of great Deferts; The Herald gives Them Blood; the Poet, Parts. Senfe is of Courfe annex'd to Wealth and Pow'r; No Mufe is Proof againft a golden Show'r. Let but his Lordfhip write fome poor Lampoon;. He's Horac'd up in Doggrel like his own. Or if to rant in Tragick Rage he yields, Falfe Fame cries—Athens; honeft Truth—Moorfields. Thus fool'd, he flounces on thro' Floods of Ink; Flags with full Sail.; and rifes but to fink.

Some venal Pens fo profitute the Bays, . Their Panegyricks lash; their Satyrs praise.

C 3-

So.

.30 CLAREMONT.

So naufeoufly, and fo unlike they paint, N —'s an Adomis; M — r a Saint. Metius with those fam'd Heroes is compar'd, That led in Triumph Porus and Tallard. But fuch a shameles Muse must Laughter move, That aims to make Salmoneus vye with Jove.

To form great Works puts Fate it felf to Pain, Ev'n Nature labours for a mighty Man. And to perpetuate her Hero's Fame, She ftrains no lefs a Poet next to frame. Rare as the Hero's, is the Poet's Rage; *Churchills* and *Drydens* rife but once an Age. With Earthquakes tow'ring *Pindar*'s Birth begun; And an Eclipfe produc'd * *Alcmena*'s Son : The Sire of Gods o'er *Phæbus* caft a Shade; But, with a Hero, well the World repaid.

No Bard for Bribes fhou'd profitute his Vein; Nor dare to Flatter where he fhou'd Arraign. To grant big *Thrafo* Valour, *Phormio*, Senfe, Shou'd Indignation give, at leaft Offence.

I hate fuch Mercenaries, and wou'd try From this Reproach to refcue Poetry. Apollo's Sons fhou'd fcorn the fervile Art, And to Court-Preachers leave the fulfome Part.

What then—You'll fay, Must no true Sterling pafs, Because impure Allays fome Coin debase? Yes, Praise, if justly offer'd, I'll allow; And, when I meet with Merit, scribble too.

The Man who's honeft, open, and a Friend, Glad to oblige, uneafy to offend;

Hercules,

For-

Forgiving others, to himfelf fevere; Tho' earneft, easy; civil, yet fincere; Who feldom but through great Good-nature errs, Detefting Fraud as much as Flatterers: 'Tis he my Muse's Homage shou'd receive; If I cou'd write, or Holles cou'd forgive.

But pardon, learned Youth, that I decline A Name fo lov'd by me, fo lately Thine. When Pelham you refign'd, what cou'd repair: A Lofs fo great, unlefs Newcaftle's Heir? Hydafpes, that the Afian Plains divides, From his bright Urn in pureft Cryftal glides. But when new gath'ring Streams enlarge his Courfe; He's Indus nam'd, and rolls with mightier Force: In fabl'd Floods of Gold his Current flows, And Wealth on Nations, as he runs, beftows.

Direct me, Clare, to name fome nobler Muse, That for her Theme thy late Recess may chuse. Such bright Descriptions shall the Subject dress; Such vary'd Scenes, such pleasing Images; That Swains shall leave their Lawns, and Nymphs their And quit Arcadia for a Seat like yours. [Bow'rs,

But fay, who fhall attempt th' advent'rous Part, Where Nature borrows Drefs from Vanbrook's Art. If, by Apollo taught, he touch the Lyre, Stones mount in Columns, Palaces afpire, And Rocks are animated with his Fire. 'Tis he can paint in Verfe thofe rifing Hills, Their gentle Vallies, and their filver Rills: Clofe Groves, and op'ning Glades with Verdure fpread, Flow'rs fighing Sweets, and Shrubs that Balfam bleed; With gay Variety the Profpect crown'd, And all the bright Horizon finiling round.

Whilft

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Whilft I attempt to tell how ancient Fame Records from whence the Villa took its Name.

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In Times of old, when British Nymphs were known To love no foreign Fashions like their own; When Drefs was monstrous, and Fig-Leaves the Mode,. And Quality put on no Paint but * Woade. Of Spanish Red unheard was then the Name; For Cheeks were only taught to blufh by Shame. No Beauty, to increase her Crowd of Slaves, Rofe out of Wash, as Venus out of Waves ... Not yet Lead Comb was on the Toilett plac'd; Not yet broad Eye brows were redue'd by Pafte : No Shape-finith fet up Shop, and drove a Trade To mend the Work wife Providence had made. Tyres were unheard of, and unknown the Loom, And thrifty Silkworms fpun for Times to come. Bare Limbs were then the Marks of Modefty; All like Diana were below the Knee.

The Men appear'd a rough undaunted Race; Surly in Show, unfafhion'd in Addrefs. † Upright in Actions, and in Thought fincere; And firicily were the fame they would appear. Honour was plac'd in Probity alone; For Villains had no Titles but their own. None travell'd to return politely mad; But ftill what Fancy wanted, Reafon had. Whatever Nature afk'd, their Hands cou'd give; Unlearn'd in Feafts, they only eat to live. No Cook with Art increas'd Phyficians Fees; Nor ferv'd up Death in Soups and Friccacees.

* Glastum. See Pliny. 'Isa'rıs. See Dioscorides. † Mores eis simplices, à versui & Eimprobitate nostra tempestatis hominum lange remoti. See Diod. Sic. Bib. Hist. L. IV. Vers, Lat.

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Their Tafte was, like their Temper, unrefin'd ; For Looks were then the Language of the Mind.

E'er Right and Wrong, by Turns, fet Prices bore; And Confcience had its Rate like common Whore: Or Tools to great Employments had Pretence; Or Merit was made out by Impudence; Or Coxcombs look'd affuming in Affairs; And humble Friends grew haughty Minifters.

In those good Days of Innocence, here stood Of Oaks, with Heads unshorn, a solemn Wood; Frequented by the * Druids, to bestow Religious Honours on the † Misselto.

The Naturalists are puzzel'd to explain How Trees did first this Stranger entertain: Whether the busy Birds engraft it there; Or else fome Deity's mysterious Care, As Druids thought; for when the blasted Oak By Lightning falls, this Plant escapes the Stroak. So when the Gauls the Tow'rs of Rome defac'd, And Flames drove forward with outragious Waste; Jove's favour'd Capitol uninjur'd stood: So Sacred was the Mansion of a God.

Shades honour'd by this Plant the Druids chole; Here, for the bleeding Victims, Altars rofe. To ‡ Hermes oft they paid their Sacrifice; Parent of Arts, and Patron of the Wife. Good Rules in mild Perfuations they convey'd.; Their Lives confirming what their Lectures faid.

* Jam per se roborum eligunt lucos. Plin. L. XVI., † Et nibil babent Druidæ visco, & arbore in qua gignatur, si modo sit robur, sacratius. Plin. ibid. Et Viscum Druida. Ovid. ‡ Deum maxime Mercurium colunt : Hunc omnium inventorem artium ferunt : Post bunc, Jovem, Apollinem, & C. Carl.

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None violated Truth, invaded Right; Yet had few Laws, but Will and Appetite. The People's Peace they fludy'd, and profest No + Politicks but Publick Interest. Hard was their Lodging, homely was their Food; For all their Luxury was doing Good.

No Miter'd Priest did then with Princes vie, Nor, o'er his Master, claim Supremacy; Nor were the Rules of Faith allow'd more pure, For being fev'ral Centuries obfcure. None lost their Fortunes, forfeited their Blood, For not believing what None understood. Nor Simony, nor Sine-Cure were known; Nor wou'd the Bee work Honey for the Drone. Nor was the Way invented, to difmiss Frail Abige Is with fat Pluralities.

But then in Fillets bound, a hallow'd Band Taught how to tend the Flocks, and till the Land: Cou'd tell what Murrains in what Months begun, And how the † Seafons travell'd with the Sun: When his dim Orb feem'd wading through the Air, They told that Rain on dropping Wings drew near; And that the Winds their bellowing Throats wou'd try, When redd'ning Clouds reflect his Blood-fhot Eye.

All their Remarks on Nature's Laws, require More Lines than wou'd ev'n Alpin's Readers tire.

This Sect in facred Veneration held Opinions, by the Samian Sage reveal'd; That Matter no Annihilation knows, But wanders from these Tenements to those.

* De republicâ, nisi per concilium, loqui non conceditur. Cæl. Lib. VI. † Multa præterea de sideribus, & eorum motu, de rerum naturâ, &c. Cæl.

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For when the *Plastick* Particles are gone, They rally in fome Species like their own. The felf-fame Atoms, if new jumbl'd, will In Seas be reftlefs, and in Earth be ftill; Can, in the Trufle, furnifh out a Feaft; And naufeate, in the fcaly Squill, the Tafte. Thofe falling Leaves that wither with the Year, Will, in the next, on other Stems appear. The Sap that now forfakes the burfting Bud, In fome new Shoot will circulate green Blood. The Breath to Day that from the Jafmin blows, Will, when the Seafon offers, fcent the Rofe; And thofe bright Flames that in Carnations glow, E'er long will blanch the Lily with a Snow.

They hold that Matter must be still the fame; And varies but in Figure and in Name. And that the * Soul not dies, but shifts her Seat; New Rounds of Life to run; or past, repeat. Thus when the Brave and Virtuous cease to live; In Beings brave and virtuous they \dagger revive. Again shall Romulus in Nassau reign; Great Numa, in a Brunswick Prince, ordain [again.] Good Laws; and Halcyon Years shall hush the World The Truths of old Traditions were their Theme; Or Gods defeending in a Morning Dream. Pass'd Acts they cited; and to come, foretold; And cou'd Events, not ripe for Fate, unfold.

Beneath the shady Covert of an Oak, In ‡ Rhymes uncooth, prophetick Truths they spoke.

* Imprimis hoc volunt perfuadere, non interire animas, sed ab aliis post mortem transire ad alios. Cæs. † Et vos Barbaricos ritus—Sacrorum Druida—redituræ parcere vitæ.—-regit idem spiritus artus. Lucan. Lib. I. ‡ Et magnum numerum versuum ediscere dicuntur. Cæs.

Attend

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Attend then Clare; nor is the Legend long; The Story of thy Villa is their * Song.

The fair Montano, of the Sylvan Race, Was with each Beauty blefs'd, and ev'ry Grace. His Sire, green Faunus, Guardian of the Wood; His Mother, a fwift Naiad of the Flood. Her Silver Urn fupply'd the neighb'ring Streams, A darling Daughter of the bounteous Thames.

Not lovelier feem'd Narcifus to the Eye, Nor, when a Flower, cou'd boaft more Fragrancy. His Skin might with the Down of Swans compare, More fmooth than Pearl; than Mountain Snow more In Shape fo Poplars or the Cedars pleafe; [fair. But those are not fo ftreight; nor graceful these. His flowing Hair in unforc'd Ringlets hung; Tuneful his Voice, perfuasive was his Tongue. The haughtieft Fair scarce heard without a Wound, But funk to Softness at the melting Sound.

The fourth bright Luftre had but juft begun To fhade his blufhing Cheeks with doubtful Down. All Day he rang'd the Woods, and fpread the Toils, And knew no Pleafures but in Sylvan Spoils. In vain the Nymphs put on each pleafing Grace; Too cheap the Quarry feem'd, too fhort the Chace. For tho' Poffeffion be th' undoubted View; To feize, is far lefs Pleafure than purfue. [pair, Thofe Nymphs that yield too foon, their Charms im-And prove at laft but defpicably Fair. His own Undoing Glutton Love decrees; And palls the Appetite, he meant to pleafe. His flender Wants too largely he fupplies: Thrives on fhort Meals, but by Indulgence dies.

* Superstitione vana Druidæ canchant, &c. Tacit, L. IV.

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A Grott there was with hoary Mofs o'ergrown, Rough with rude Shells, and arch'd with mouldring Sad Silence reigns within the lonefome Wall; [Stone: And weeping Rills but whifper as they fall. The clafping Ivys up the Ruin creep; And there the Bat, and drowfy Beetle fleep.

This Cell fad Echo chofe, by Love betray'd, A fit Retirement for a mourning Maid. Hither, fatigu'd with Toil, the Sylvan flies To fhun the Calenture of fultry Skies: But feels a fiercer Flame, Love's keeneft Dart Finds through his Eyes a Paffage to his Heart. Penfive the Virgin fat with folded Arms, Her Tears but lending Luftre to her Charms. With Pity he beholds her wounding Woes; But wants himfelf the Pity he beftows.

Oh whether of a Mortal born! he cries! Or fome fair Daughter of the diftant Skies; That, in Compaffion leave your Cryftal Sphere, To guard fome favour'd Charge, and wander here, Slight not my Suit, nor too ungentle prove; But pity One, a Novice yet in Love. If Words avail not; fee my fuppliant Tears; Nor difregard those dumb Petitioners.

From his Complaint the Tyrant Virgin flies, Afferting all the Empire of her Eyes.

Full thrice three Days he lingers out in Grief, Nor feeks from Sleep, or Suftenance, Relief. The Lamp of Life now cafts a glimm'ring Light; The meeting Lids his fetting Eyes benight. What Force remains, the haplefs Lover tries; Invoking thus his kindred Deities.

Hafte, Parents of the Flood, your Race to mourn; With Tears replenish each exhausted Urn.

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Retake

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Retake the Life you gave, but let the Maid Fall a juft Victim to an injur'd Shade. More he endeavour'd; but the Accents hung Half form'd, and ftopp'd unfinish'd on his Tongue.

For him the Graces their fad Vigils keep; Love broke his Bow, and with'd for Eyes to weep. What Gods can do, the mournful Faunus tries; A Mount erecting where the Sylvan lies. The Rural Pow'rs the wond'rous Pile furvey, And pioufly their diff'rent Honours pay. Th' Afcent, with verdant Herbage Pales fpread; And Nymphs transform'd to Laurels, lent their Shade. Her Stream a Naiad from the Bafis pours; And Flora ftrows the Summit with her Flowers. Alone Mount Latmos claims Pre-eminence, When Silver Cynthia lights the World from thence.

Sad Echo now laments her Rigour, more Than for Narciffus her loofe Flame before. Her Flefh to Sinew flrinks, her Charms are fled; All Day in rifted Rocks fhe hides her Head. Soon as the Ev'ning flows a Sky ferene, Abroad fhe ftrays, but never to be feen. And ever as the weeping Naiads name Her Cruelty, the Nymph repeats the fame. With them fhe joins, her Lover to deplore, And haunts the lonely Dales, he rang'd before. Her Sex's Privilege fhe yet retains; And tho' to Nothing wafted, Voice remains.

So fung the Druids then with Rapture fir'd, Thus utter what the * Delphick God infpir'd.

E'er twice ten Centuries shall fleet away, A Brunswick Prince shall Britain's Scepter sway.

* Et partim auguriis, partim conjectura, quæ essent futura, Ce. Lic. de Divinatione.

No more fair Liberty shall mourn her Chains; The Maid is refea'd, her lov'd Perfeus reigns. From * Jove he comes, the Captive to reftore; Nor can the Thunder of his Sire do more. Religion shall dread nothing but Disguise; And Justice need no Bandage for her Eyes. Britannia smiles, nor fears a foreign Lord; Her Safety to secure, two Powers accord, Her Neptune's Trident, and her Monarch's Sword. Like him, shall his Augustus shine in Arms, Tho' Captive to his Carolina's Charms. Ages with future Heroes She shall bless; And Venus once more found an Alban Race.

Then shall a Clare in Honour's Caufe engage :: Example must reclaim a graceles Age. Where Guides themfelves for guilty Views mif-lead ; And Laws ev'n by the Legiflators bleed, His brave Contempt of State shall teach the Proud, None but the Virtuous are of noble Blood. For Tyrants are but Princes in Difguife, Tho' fprung by long Defcents from Ptolemies. Right he shall vindicate, good Laws defend ; The firmeft Patriot, and the warmeft Friend. Great Edward's + Order early he shall wear; New Light reftoring to the fully'd Star. Oft will his Leifure this Retirement chuse, Still finding future Subjects for the Mule: And to record the Sylvan's fatal Flame, [Name .. The Place shall live in Song; and Claremont be the

* Son of Jupiter and Danae. † Theologi & Vates erant apud eos, Druidas ipsi vocant, qui à vistimarum entis de futuris diminant. Diod. Sic. Lat. Ver.

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The Dedication of OVID's Art of Love, to the Right Honourable RICHARD, Earl of BURLINGTON.

My Lord,

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OUR Poet's Rules, in eafy Numbers, tell He felt the Paffion, he defcribes fo well. In that foft Art fuccefsfully refin'd, Tho' angry Cæfar frown'd, the Fair were kind. More Ills from Love, than Tyrant's Malice flow; Jowe's Thunder strikes lefs fure than Cupid's Bow. Owid both felt the Pain, and found the Eafe: Physicians study most their own Difeafe. The Practice of that Age in this we try, Ladies wou'd listen then, and Lovers lie. Who statter'd most the Fair were most polite, Each thought her own Admirer in the Right: To be but faintly rude was criminal,

But to be boldly fo, aton'd for all. Breeding was banish'd for the Fair One's Sake, The Sex ne'er gives, but suffers ours shou'd take.

Advice to you, my Lord, in vain we bring, The Flow'rs ne'er fail to meet the blooming Spring. Tho' you poffefs all Nature's Gifts, take Care; Love's Queen has Charms, but fatal is her Snare.

On all that Goddels her falle Smiles bestows, As on the Seas she reigns, from whence she role. Young Zepbyrs sigh with fragrant Breath, soft Gales Guide her gay Barge, and swell the filken Sails: Each filver Wave in beauteous Order moves, Fair as her Bosom, gentle as her Doves;

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But he that once embarks, too furely finds A fullen Sky, black Storms, and angry Winds, Cares, Fears, and Anguish, hov'ring on the Coast, And Wrecks of Wretches by their Folly lost.

When coming Time shall blefs you with a Bride, Let Passion not perfuade, but Reason guide : Instead of Gold, let gentle Truth endear; She has most Charms that is the most funcere. Shun vain Variety, 'tis but Disease; Weak Appetites are ever hard to please. The Nymph must fear to be inquisitive; 'Tis for the Sex's Quiet to believe. Her Air an easy Confidence must show, And shun to find what she wou'd dread to know; Still charming with all Arts that can engage, And be the Juliana of the Age.

VERSES written for the TOASTING GLASSES of the KIT-KAT CLUB. By Dr. GARTH.

Lady CARLISLE.

ARLISLE's a Name can ev'ry Mufe infpire, To *Carlifle* fill the Glafs and tune the Lyre. With his lov'd Bays the God of Day fhall crown A Wit and Luftre equal to his own.

Lady CARLISLE.

A T once the Sun and Carlifle took their Way, To warm the frozen North, and kindle Day; The Flowers to both their glad Creation ow'd,. Their Virtues He, their Beauties She beflow'd,

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Lady Essex.

THE braveft Hero, and the brighteft Dame From Belgia's happy Clime Britannia drew; One pregnant Cloud we find does often frame The awful Thunder and the gentle Dew.

Lady ESSEX.

TO Effex fill the fprightly Wine, The Health's engaging and divine: Let pureft Odours fcent the Air, And Wreaths of Rofes bind our Hair. In her chafte Lips thefe blufhing lie, And those her gentle Sighs fupply.

Lady HYDE.

HE God of Wine grows jealous of his Art, He only fires the Head, but Hyde the Heart. The Queen of Love looks on, and finiles to fee A Nymph more mighty than a Deity.

On the Lady HYDE in Child-bed.

HYDE, tho' in Agonies, her Graces keeps, A thoufand Charms the Nymph's Complaints a-In Tears of Dew fo mild Aurora weeps, [dorn; But her bright Offspring is the chearful Morn.

Lady WHARTON.

WHEN Jowe to Ida did the Gods invite, And in immortal Toasting pass'd the Night; With more than Nectar he the Banquet bless'd, For Wharton was the Venus of the Feast.

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PROLOGUE

To the TRAGEDY of

TAMERLANE,

Spoken on the

IRISH THEATRE

BY

Mr. MOORE; Written by Dr. GARTH.



D Day a Mighty Monarch comes to warm Your curdling Blood, and bids You, Britons, arm. [more, To Valour much he owes, to Virtue He fights to fave, and conquers to reftore:

He ftrains no Text, nor makes Dragoons perfuade, He likes Religion, but he hates the Trade; Born for Mankind, they by his Labours live; Their Property is his Prerogative:

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His Sword deftroys lefs than his Mercy faves, And none, except his Paffions, are his Slaves. Such, Britons ! is the Prince that you poffefs,. In Council greateft, and in Camp no lefs; Brave, but not cruel, Wife without Deceit, Born for an Age, curs'd with a Bajazet : But you difdaining to be too fecure, Ask his Protection, and yet grudge his Power. With you a Monarch's Right is in Dispute, Who give Supplies are only Abfolute : Britons! For shame your factious Feuds decline. Too long you've labour'd for a Bourbon Line : Affert loft Rights, an Auftrian Prince alone Is born to nod upon the Spanifb 'Throne ; A Caufe no lefs cou'd on great EUGENE call; Steep Alpine Rocks require an Hannibal : He fhews you your loft Honour to retrieve; Our Troops will fight when once the Senate give. Quit your Cabals and Factions, and, in fpite Of WHIG and TORY, in this Caufe unite; One Vote will then fend Anjou back to France, There let the Meteor end his airy Dance; Elfe to the Mantuan Soil he may repair, (E'en abdicated Gods were Latium's Care,) At worft he'll find fome Cornifb Borough here.

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To the Lady LOUISA LENOS, with Ovid's Epiftles.

By Dr. GARTH.

N moving Lines thefe few Epiftles tell What Fate attends the Nymph who likes too well: How faintly the fuccefsful Lovers burn; And their neglected Charms how Ladies mourn. The Fair you'll find, when foft Intreaties fail, Affert their uncontefted Right, and rail. Too foon they liften, and refent too late; 'Tis fure they love, whene'er they ftrive to hate. Their Sex or proudly fhuns, or poorly craves; Commencing Tyrants, and concluding Slaves.

In diff'ring Breafts what diff'ring Paffions glow! Ours kindle quick, but yours extinguish flow. The Fire we boaft, with Force uncertain burns, And breaks but out as Appetite returns: But yours, like Incenfe, mounts by foft Degrees, And in a fragrant Flame confumes to pleafe.

Your Sex, in all that can engage, excel; And ours in Patience, and perfuading well. Impartial Nature equally decrees: You have your Pride, and we our Perjuries. Tho' form'd to conquer, yet too oft you fall. By giving Nothing, or by granting All.

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But, Madam, long will your unpractis'd Years Smile at the Tale of Lovers Hopes and Fears. Tho' Infant Graces footh your gentle Hours, More foft than Sighs, more fweet than breathing Flowers,

Let rash Admirers your keen Light'ning fear ;. "Tis bright at Distance, but destroys if near.

The Time e'er long, if Verfe prefage, will come, Your Charms fhall open in full * Brudenal Bloom. All Eyes fhall gaze, all Hearts fhall Homage vow, And not a Lover languifh, but for you. The Mufe fhall ftring her Lyre, with Garlands crown'd, And each bright Nymph fhall ficken at the Sound.

So when Aurora first falutes the Sight, Pleas'd we behold the tender Dawn of Light; But when with riper Red she warms the Skies, In circling Throngs the wing'd Musicians rise, And the gay Groves rejoice in Symphonies: Each pearly Flow'r with painted Beauty shines; And ev'ry Star its fading Fire resigns.

* This Lady was Daughter of Charles Lenos Duke of Richmond, and Anne eldest Daughter of Francis Lord Brudenal, Som: of Robert Earl of Cardigan, and Mother of the prefent Duke of Richmond, and Countefs of Albemarle.

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POEMS. 47 **FROLOGUE** to the MUSIC-MEETING in YORK-BUILDINGS. By Dr. GARTH.

THERE Music and more pow'rful Beauties reign, WW Who can support the Pleasure and the Pain? Here their foft Magic those two Syrens try, And if we listen, or but look, we die. Why fhould we then the wond'rous Tales admire, Of Orpheus' Numbers, or Amphion's Lyre ? Behold this Scene of Beauty, and confeis The Wonder greater, and the Fiction lefs. Like human Victims, here we are decreed To worship those bright Altars where we bleed. Who braves his Fate in Fields, must tremble here; Triumphant Love more Vaffals makes than Fear. No Faction Homage to the Fair denies, The Right Divine's apparent in their Eyes. The Empire's fix'd, that's founded in Defire; Those Fires the Vestals guard can ne'er expire.

EPILOGUE to the Tragedy of CATO.

By Dr. GARTH.

Spoken by Mrs. PORTER.

What odd fantaflick Things we Women do! Who wou'd not liften when young Lovers woo? But die a Maid, yet have the Choice of two! Ladies are often cruel to their Coft; To give you Pain, themfelves they punish most. Vows of Virginity shou'd well be weigh'd; Too oft they're cancell'd, tho' in Convents made. Wou'd Wou'd you revenge fuch rafh Refolves—you may: Be fpiteful—and believe the Thing we fay, We hate you when you're eafily faid nay; How needlefs, if you knew us, were your Fears? Let Love have Eyes, and Beauty will have Ears. Our Hearts are form'd as you yourfelves would chufe, Too proud to afk, too humble to refufe: We give to Merit, and to Wealth we fell; He fighs with moft Succefs that fettles well. The Woes of Wedlock with the Joys we mix; 'Tis beft repenting in a Coach and Six.

Blame not our Conduct, fince we but purfue Thofe lively Leffons we have learn'd from you: Your Breafts no more the Fire of Beauty warms, But wicked Wealth ufurps the Power of Charms; What Pains to get the gaudy Thing you hate, To fwell in Show, and be a Wretch in State! At Plays you ogle, at the Ring you bow; Even Churches are no Sanctuaries now; There golden Idols all your Vows receive; She is no Goddefs that has nought to give.

Oh! may once more the happy Age appear, When Words were artlefs, and the Thoughts fincere; When Gold and Grandeur were unenvy'd Things, And Courts lefs coveted than Groves and Springs. Love then fhall only mourn when Truth complains, And Conflancy feel transport in its Chains; Sighs with Succefs their own foft Anguifh tell, And Eyes fhall utter what the Lips conceal: Virtue again to its bright Station climb, And Beauty fear no Enemy but Time: The Fair fhall liften to Defert alone, And every Lucia find a Cato's Son.

FINIS.

