

one of his fundamental pretences, is too gross to escape animadversion; surely the *Strictures* is not serious, but expresses himself ironically, when he informs us, in page 197, "That if to be disinterested, is necessary to the investigation of truth, he comes so far qualified." In a simpler period, and a less experienced age, these Caledonian professions of candour might have gained credit with a credulous public; but at this time of day, the Southern world is too enlightened to be so egregiously humbugged. Again in the same page we read, after having perused so much of his *very candid* production, "Devoid of spleen, and unconnected with Party."— He may as well attempt to make  
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