

abate, his spirits may gradually regain their wonted tone, and his publication perhaps assume a little more of that energy it ought to possess. At any rate, he will submit with a becoming deference to the public decision in this case. And, after thanking his numerous and respectable subscribers for the countenance they have given him, he will only add, that it shall be his invariable study to discharge those obligations he has come under to them, and to the public, with the utmost fidelity in his power : indeed he could not give a stronger proof of his determined resolution to do so, than by publishing, while in the state of depression of mind he feels himself, these present sheets :—for nothing but a positive engagement could have induced him to do so: but a positive engagement to him is always an irrevocable deed ; which nothing but an absolute *impossibility* can annul. Kind reader, farewell.