



TO THE

READER.

THE Person in whose Behalf
the following Pages are
wrote, is sensible how dif-
ficult, how irksome, a Task it is,
for any one to speak of himself. Yet
there are Occasions, when the most
moderate Man, after being cruelly
attacked, injured, and calumniated,
may urge his own Innocence, with-
out the least Violation of Modesty.
Any Apology, in this Place, is con-
ceived the less necessary; as he hopes
the following Facts will sufficiently
plead his Excuse, and justify this
Address to the Public. To this
Tribunal he would very long since
have