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Tell the bleak fury what new projects rain  
Among the homicides of Warwick-lane!\*  
And what th' event, unless she strait inclines,  
To blast their hopes, and baffle their designs."

GARTH.

*Multa nascuntur in populis quæ non magis legis nomen attingunt, quam si latrones aliquo concessu suo sanxerint.*

CICERO.

Public assemblies have often done those things, which no more deserve the name of laws, than if they had been enacted by a set of outlaws.

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"A writer who builds his arguments upon facts is not easily to be confuted. He is not to be answered by general assertion, or general reproach. He may want eloquence to amuse and persuade, but, speaking truth, he must always convince."

PHILO-JUNIUS.

MR. EDITOR,

If Phineas is not a young man, his conduct, however, savours greatly of all the petulance and flippancy of youth. That he is not of the Montreal Hospital, I now readily believe: but, in the name of common sense, what could have induced him to enter into the defence of a cause, of whose merits he is totally ignorant.

The cause, he would have befriended, and those interested in it, may thank him if I have come to the determination of prosecuting this discussion much farther than I had, at first, intended. By which he will find, and the Esculapians have, no doubt, already experienced, that his indulging this wayward disposition of his, has done them more injury than any malevolence of mine could have done.

Having no answer to make to my interrogations, Phineas should, as the hospital gentlemen, have kept silence. The latter, consoling themselves, as they, no doubt, do, that the world

\* It may be necessary to explain to mere Canadian readers, that the college of physicians in London, where candidates are examined, and licenses issued, is in Warwick-lane.