

He is no way ambitious of any great Patron : Neither is he of that supple make to court the Favour of great Names by any fervile Art of Adulation; (the main Step which most take to compass their ambitious Expectations) But being once determin'd to publish these Pieces, he could not long demur with himself, to whom he had best Dedicate and devote them : It is to be acknowledg'd, he wav'd the customary Ceremony of craving your Permission for it; for he fear'd, that would be to bespeak your peremptory denial; being very well appriz'd, how little you desire to be publickly distinguished : But, as you have been truly a very kind encourager of him and his Labours, and no less a judge of manly Sense, and ingenious Performances of every kind; therefore is he embolden'd to dedicate them (such as they are) to your Ladyship; who did, with an hearty good Will, engage very many of his kind Benefactors