JOSEPH BANKS, Esq.

PRESIDENT OF THE

ROYAL SOCIETY,

SIR,

WHEN the public are informed that I have long had the honor of your acquaintance; that my defign in publishing the following work has received your fanction; that the composition of it has ftood the teft of your judgment; and that it is by your permission, a name fo defervedly eminent in the literary world is prefixed to it, I need not be apprehensive of its fuccess; as your patronage will inquestionably give them affurance of its merit.

For this public testimony of your favor, in which pride myself; accept, Sir, my most grateful accnowledgments; and believe me to be, with great espect,

Your obedient, humble Servant,

JOHN CARVER.