

With not less ease he wields terrestrial rays,
 Constructs the furnace, and confines the blaze,
 Flings to the furious blast the shapeless ore,
 And strait redeems the bright metallic store : 90
 The sordid world admire the glittering prize,
 And gaze on SCIENCE with converted eyes.
 So, when the captive Israelites, consign'd
 To bigot flames, appear'd unhurt, refin'd ;
 Their radiant forms bespoke their mighty Lord, 95
 And impious heathens trembled and ador'd.

Such was the youth whole incitorious prime,
 (Years of proud promise and attempts sublime !)
 From Honour's sacred lips drew pure acclaim,
 And fill'd the trumpet of eternal Fame. 100

At length his praises reach'd the modest ears
 Of TASTE ; a lovely nymph of tender years,
 Daughter of Beauty by a reverend sire,
 What time declining years and milder fire