

IX.

Alas ! the incandescent joke,
Which killed that donkey ; " yclept" a "moke"
Caused York a vacant Civic chair ;
For he, who'd filled the post of Mayor,
Was *cowed* so much ; that to this day
He promenades the "*Milky Way*,"
(Whose pale ethereal bar of light,
Adorns the star-gemmed hours of night ;)
Here ; far removed from mortal view,
He emulates the wandering Jew ;
But everlastingly avoids
The neighbourhood of *Asteroids*.