

and devoted women ; had they displayed so much patriotism and union on their own part as they have received assistance and support from others, (I do not mean from the self-styled *Philhellenists*, but from a vast number of sincere and liberal friends,) they would by this time have subdued the tyrant whom the European powers now offer to them as a *Sovereign Paramount*, and who will perhaps shortly be succeeded by another *Sultan*, differing in *turban*, but similar in despotism. Remind your illiberal and unjust opponents, that women had first the merit of elevating the minds of emperors and kings to the pure light of Christianity, by associating it to the nuptial bed, and consequently introducing it to all the courts and nations of Europe; the civilization diffused by the Gospel *thus* deriving its existence from female sense and virtue, and the superiority of Europe to all other portions of the world proceeding from the virtuous exertions and refining power of woman. Tell, moreover, these vain and envious babblers, that it was Mary of Anjou who roused the degraded mind