[xii.]

they were all bred to fome Bufmeis or other, and not allow'd to depend entirely upon the Fortune and Induffry of their Husbands. It would prevent the Mifery of a great many of the poorer Sort I am perfwaded that many of those poor abandon'd Wretches, who walk the Streets and expole themselves to the vilest fort of Men, do it meerly for Want of Bread : Tho' their own Milmanagement or Wickednels may, at first, lead them into that Way of Living, or rather Starving ; yet I have the Charity to think, that few or none of them continue long in it without being lenfible of their Wickednefs and Misfortune, but then they cannot get out of it; being generally bred to no Bufinefs, they cannot live by their own handy Work, and no honeft Body will take them into their House as a Servant, so that for Want of Bread to their Teeth, they are forc'd to continue in their Lewd-