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AN ODE TO SIR EDWARD HAWKE.

TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

Sir Edward Hawke, Knt.
ADMIRAL of the BLUE.

If ever any Nation was indebted to a Sub-
ject for Services of a General Benefit, and
for immortalizing the Glory of her Army, all
the World must allow (for all the World have
been Witnesses of it) that none was ever more
so, than this Kingdom is, on both Accounts,
to your Conduct and Bravery. By your Vi-
gilance and Activity, and of those under your
Command, the French have been disconcer-
ted, baffled, and defeated in all their perni-
cious Schemes of invading this Land. By
your Care and Circumspection, Peace and
Tranquility, Plenty and Security, have made
their happy Abodes among us; while our
inveterate Enemies have felt all the Plagues of
a wasting and destructive War.

Who that beheld, in the late Engagement,
the Royal George, surrounded with Enemies,
with their Broadsides pouring in upon her
from every Quarter, but trembled for the Ad-
miral, who directed her Thunder, and for
the Fate of that noble Ship? But you, Sir,