

With merry steps and aspect hale
Onward she bears the loaded pail,
And hums a cheerful tune the while
The passing moments to beguile.

Some pleasure it may bring perchance,
In yon fair Dairy just to glance,
Where coolness all the place pervades,
From the tall laurels spreading shades—

Behold! the leaden cisterns teem,*
With milken fluid top'd with cream;
And mark that high suspended board
With perfum'd Cheeses neatly stor'd:
The maidens, in the sweet vats, lay
The snowy Curds t'express the Whey,
While others ply the heavy Churn,
And the rich Cream to Butter turn.

But see! young Giles now takes his way,
(While round him the young lambkins play,)
His team to harness for the Plough,
Behind yon sunny barley mow;†
And then the sower strews his grain
O'er the even furrow'd plain,
And onward as he gaily goes
Behind him skulk the ebon Crows.

Young Colin drives the well-cloth'd Sheep
O'er the verdant gentle steep,
To wash them in the cleansing stream,
'Mid the noon-days servid gleam;
And when they're dried he grants release,
But robs them of their weighty Fleece:—
Then choicest flowers in ewer stands
To purify the Shearer's hands;‡
Then hours are spent in jovial glee,
And supper ate in jollity.

Then grant, O, Heaven! this my prayer,
To take beneath Thy special care,
The fruitfulness of every soil,
And so reward the Farmer's toil. —H. S. G.

* In most parts of England, Dairies are furnished with long
Leaden Cisterns, or Coolers, in which the Milk is preserved
fresh for a length of time.

† *Mow*, In the Devonshire dialect, is a Stack of Corn, &c.

‡ A custom prevalent at Farm Houses in England is, at Sheep
Shearing, a large basin, or ewer, is placed full of water with
the sweetest flowers floating in it, in which the Shearers, at
dinner, supper, &c. wash.—H. S. G.

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