

TO LAVINIA, COUNTESS SPENCER,

THIS PLATE, WHICH REPRESENTS THE DARING ENTERPRISE OF DA GAMA.

THE
PROGRESS
OF
MARITIME DISCOVERY,
FROM THE EARLIEST PERIOD
TO
THE CLOSE OF THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY,

FORMING

An Extensive System of Hydrography.

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DOMESTIC CHAPLAIN TO HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE REGENT.

"Cessem do sabio Grego, e do Troyano
As Navegações grandes, que sizerão;
Calise de Alexandre, e de Trajano
A fama das vitórias, que tiverão;
Que em canto o peito illustre Lusitano,
A quem Neptuno, e Marte obedecerão;
Cesse tudo o que a Musa antiga canta,
Que outro valor mais alto se levanta."

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