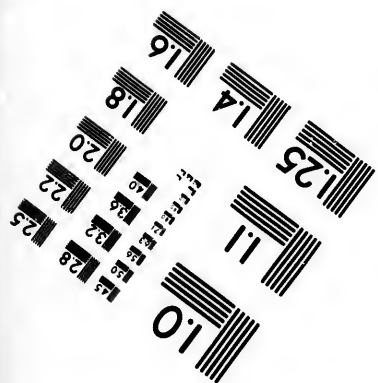
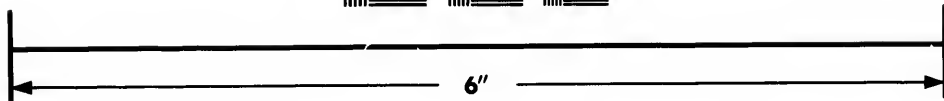
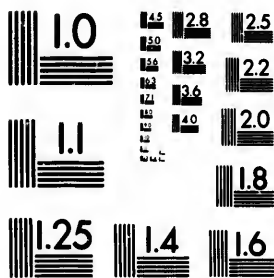


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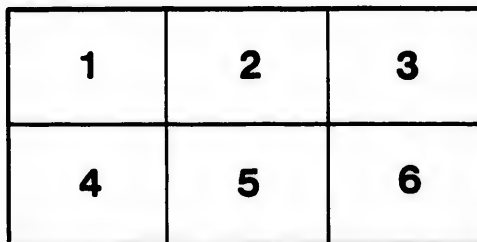
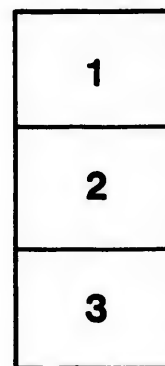
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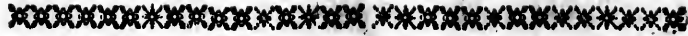
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When Kings the Sword of Justice first lay down,
They are no Kings, tho' they possess the Crown ;
Titles are Shadows, Crowns are empty Things,
The Good of Subjects is the End of Kings.

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By the A U T H O R of the *Minister of State*, a Satire.

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I.

H A I L England, darling isle of heaven!
To you is ev'ry blessing given ;
All eminent you shine :
For war, for useful arts renown'd,
With just applause the world has own'd,
Has own'd each blessing Thine.

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Tho' sever'd from the world beside,
 Thy state provokes the Gallic pride,
 To crush thy liberty ;
 Tho' oft repuls'd, like Titan's race,
 Unheedful of their past disgrace,
 They point their darts at Thee.

III.

Again success has deign'd to smile,
 Again has conquest crown'd your toil,
 Upon the land and main ;
 Then be like Jove, exert your power,
 Now strike them in the lucky hour ;
 They ne'er shall rise again.

IV.

This, this is every patriot's voice,
 This would make every heart rejoice,
 Who love their native land ;
 But oh confusion — Hark ! the crowd,
 Of Scottish slaves for *Peace* aloud,
 Implore with cap in hand.

V.

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Ye venal ministerial elves,
Who'd rob your country, for your selves,
Or let our foes inflave us ;
Rejoice, rejoice, the Deed is done,
The glorious work is all your own,
And heaven alone can save us.

VI.

'Tis done——and hark ! throughout the nation,
How rumour bawls the proclamation,
That PEACE again is coming ;
Adieu Bellona's glorious lay,
Adieu to conquest's loud huzza,
To fighting, piping, drumming.

VII.

No more of war——a different scene,
More soft, more lulling and serene,
Invites the muse to soar :
Now PEACE must spread her ample wing ;
Of that the muse intends to sing,
And Caledonian pow'r.

VIII.

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To you she sings—to you my Lord—
No venal *Briton*, on my word,
 But *English*, bold and daring,
Unplac'd, unbenefic'd her lays,
She scorns to sing a *Traitor's* praise,
 To *England's* cause adhering.

IX.

If here and there in my design,
Your Lordship finds an erring line,
 Be candid not severe ;
For oft the Pegasean steed,
Without a curb, will stretch his speed,
 And run the lord knows where.

X.

But now the prospect opes to view,
The *tranquil* prospect drawn by you,
 In whom our PEACE is center'd.
What mean those bags of Gallic ore ?
Are those the price of English gore,
 Which English heroes ventur'd ?

XI.

XI.

Is there no Recompence for those,
Who bravely ventur'd 'gainst their foes, •
 Where wounds and death beset 'em ;
Methinks I hear you say, my Lord,
“ Why is not *Glory* their reward ?
 “ And if they chuse it, let 'em.

XII.

“ *War's* not my sphere—but while they roam
“ To gain new worlds!—my schemes at home
 “ Are to *my country* useful ;
“ See *Scotchmen* fill each post and place,
“ While *English* grumble in disgrace,
 “ And treat me most abusive.

XIII.

“ But let the mastiffs bark and grin,
“ The proverb's good—*Those laugh who win,*
 “ I neither feel nor mind 'em ;
“ For while I have the R—l ear,
“ My cause is good :—I need not fear,
 “ If force or law can bind 'em.”

XIV.

I own you're truly great, my Lord,
Your courage stout upon my word,
 I think none dare to doubt it ;
But merit sometimes will be slur'd,
Yet patience is its own reward ;
 Your Lordship's not without it.

XV.

Perhaps the world may blame the deed,
I care not, still I will proceed,
 In spite of opposition ;
Your *Virtues*, hid in envious night,
I fain wou'd bring to open light,
 And shew their true condition.

XVI.

How oft the glorious orb of day,
Invelop'd in a cloud its ray,
 Is hinder'd of its power ;
The cloud dispers'd, it shines confess'd,
And makes each living creature blest,
 Who wonder and adore.

XVII.

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Thus dim-ey'd prejudice may cloud,
Your merit from the frantic crowd,
 Who rail and strangely rate you ;
But when they know your tranquil mind,
The plans which you for PEACE design'd,
 They surely will not hate you.

XVIII.

When sawcy *Pitt* propos'd, in vain,
To curb the pride of haughty Spain,
 Who impudently brav'd us ;
For *Reasons* which your *Lordship* knew,
You first oppos'd the plan in view,
 And very near had sav'd us.

XIX.

But discord fiend of hellish parts,
Had so inflam'd the Spaniards hearts,
 That war was all the cry ;
Then England took the field again,
To curb the insolence of Spain,
 And let her thunder fly.

XX.

Success still friend to England's arms,
Came down amid the dire alarms,
 And brought the victor's laurel;
The haughty Dons began to fear,
And some assert that they sincere,
 Repented of the quarrel.

XXI.

Of all the virtues in your breast,
Humanity stands forth confest,
 The *Scotch*, the *French* have known it;
For this distinguish'd most you shine,
You own its genuine warmth divine,
 And all the world must own it.

XXII.

'Twas this that prompted first your mind,
To save, to succour, human kind,
 To stop the sword of slaughter;
If not the world wou'd call you f—l,
And think you either k— or t—l,
 And treat your name with laughter.

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XXIII.

Some say 'twas folly—Those are few,
More say you'd interest in view,
 But this or that you best know ;
For my part I must needs declare,
I think that folly had no share,
 And here I'll let it rest so.

XXIV.

The mob still goes with wind and tide,
They ne'er examine either side,
 Which is not quite so well, Sir ;
For now it happens that your scheme,
Goes both against the wind and stream,
 And that's the devil in hell, Sir.

XXV.

'Twould wrong you, not to give you praise,
Each bard to you his verse shall raise,
 Fame hold your trumpet higher ;
Who dare deny that you are great,
A very Machiavel of state ;
 A plague confound the liar.

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XXVI.

XXVI.

No more of Utrecht treaty tell,
Nor that so fam'd of Aix Chappelle,
They now must fall behind, Sir ;
'Tis plain to every eye and ear,
That neither can with this compare,
Unless we're deaf and blind, Sir.

XXVII.

But why our *Conquests* be restor'd ?
Mere charity :—upon my word,
Your virtues are exceeding ;
Let *France* no more politeness boast,
Their manners!—Pshaw ! you rule the roast !
Rare Caledonian breeding !

XXVIII.

And now, my Lord, I'll take my leave,
This humble tribute you'll receive,
Nor think I mean to flatter ;
But hang excuses—'tis the best
That I could pay—and for the rest
Yourself may judge the matter.

XXIX.

XXIX,

Ye friends to England, and her cause,
Her glorious liberty and laws,
 Let discord now give way ;
Behold the tuneful band combine,
The *Fiddle*, *Flute* and *Bagpipe* join,
 To hail the coming day.

XXX.

And here (and then I'll quite conclude)
The Muse with prophecy endu'd,
 One thing must needs declare ;
As time around his course shall roll,
The B—nn—t high upon a p—le,
 Shall shine !—on T—mp—e B—r.

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