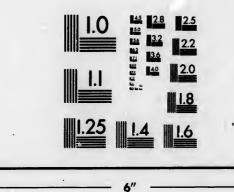


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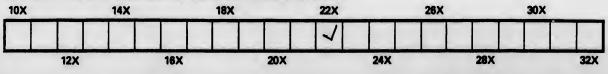
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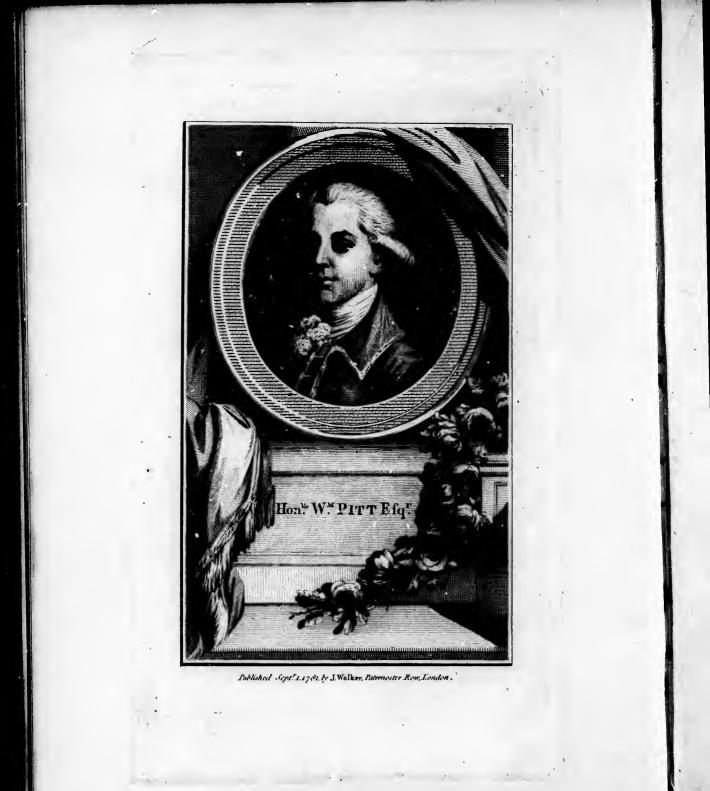
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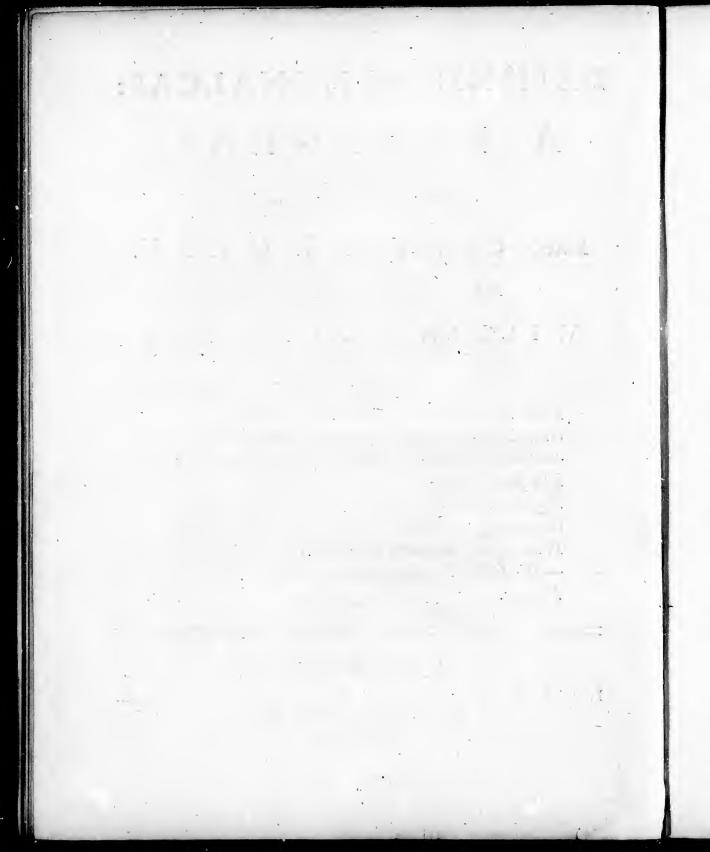
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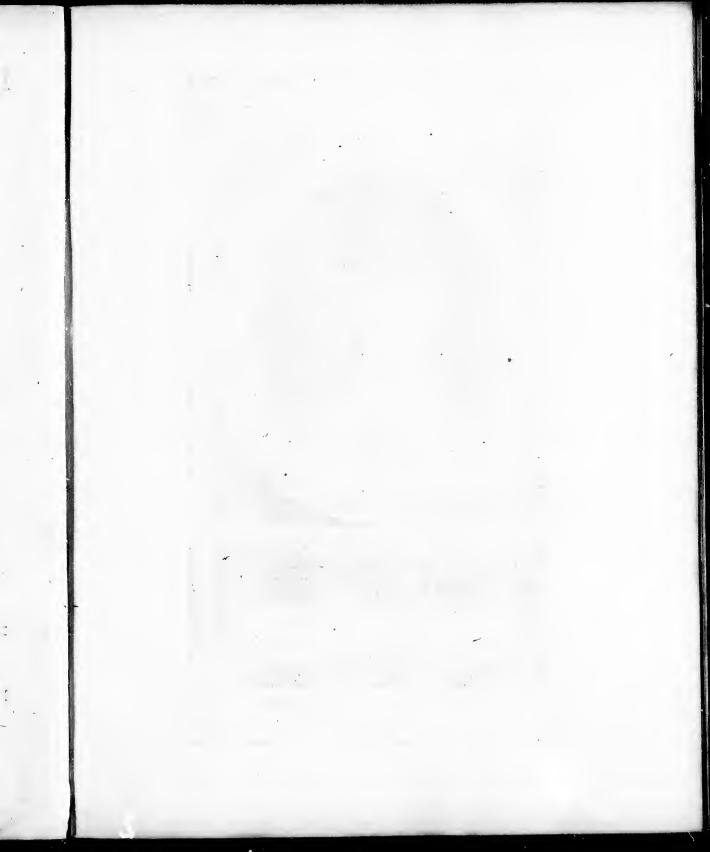
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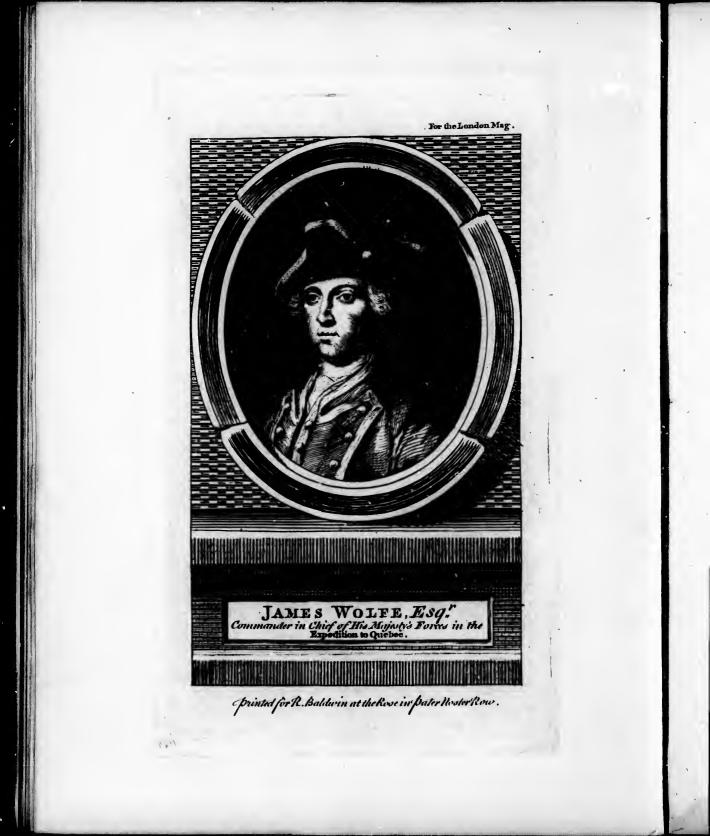
Eruit ille Argos, Agamemnoniasque Mycenas; Ultus avos Trojæ, templa et temerata Minervæ. -Ostendunt terris bunc tantum sata; neque ultra Esse sinunt:-----Quantus ille virûm magnam Mavortis ad urbem Campus aget gemitus! vel quæ, Tiberine, videbis Funera, cum tumulum præterlabére recentem! -His saltem accumulem donis, et fungar inani Munere. VIRG.

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Late GENERAL WOLFE.

RURAL Muse attempts your Hero's praise; Vouchfafe, great Patriot, to accept the lays; Unequal as they are to fuch a theme, That asks a *Homer*'s or a *Virgil*'s flame. Oh! did the breath of that celestial fire That burn'd so bright in theirs, my breast infpire, Strong as the martial Ardor WOLFE possible's'd, Or as the Country's Love that warms thy breast,

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Then

Then thou, and all the wond'ring world should fee A Poem, worthy him, and worthy thee.

But here Apollo checks my foaring wing, Of wars, and fighting fields forbids to fing; And foftly whifpers, " Thyr fis I keep the plains, " Content to found the Reed to lift'ning fwains; " Nor finall the praife, if Britain's Patriot fmile, " The Mufe infpire, and Phæbus crown the toil."

In that new world where other funs arife, And other ftars and planets gild the fkies, Two Swains (from *Britain* one deriv'd his birth, And one, untravell'd, till'd his native earth;) From rural cares to fhady groves retir'd, Thus fung, and anfwer'd as the mufe infpir'd.

DAPHNIS.

Soft is the mufic of that murm'ring fpring, But not fo tuneful as the notes you fing: Sweet whifpers thro' the pines the breezes bear, Your lays are fweeter to my ravifh'd ear.

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Then here, where wreathing trees have form'd a bow'r, Let us, reclin'd, in finging wafte an hour; Sing black *Monimia*'s, fair *Parthenia*'s praife; While each may anfwer in alternate lays.

MENALCAS.

Not Windfor's forefts, nor my native Thames, At once the Monarch's feats, and Mufe's themes, Afford fuch profpects to the wond'ring fwain, A ftream fo mighty, and fo rich a plain, As this new world; by nature's forming hand From chaos rais'd, for Britons to command. But here I dread the fpeckled ferpent's bite, And falling dews, that trees collect by night.

DAPHNIS.

Then to the naked fleep let us repair, Where nodding promontories hang in air; Thence we fhall fee our grazing flocks below, At diftance hear the thund'ring cat'racts flow,

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And thence furvey, as from great nature's throne, The worlds that WOLFE has made, and AMHERST makes our own.

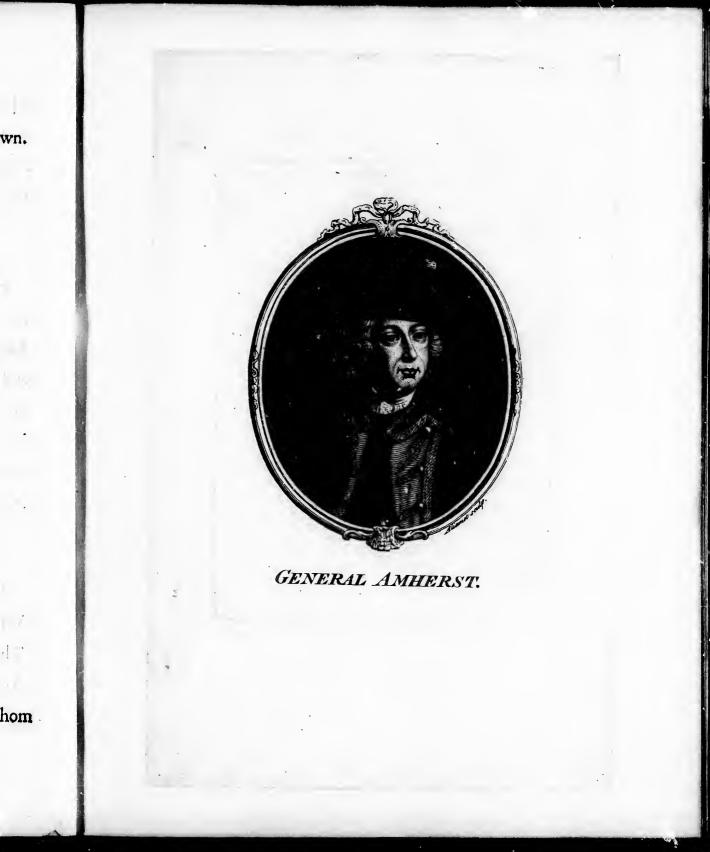
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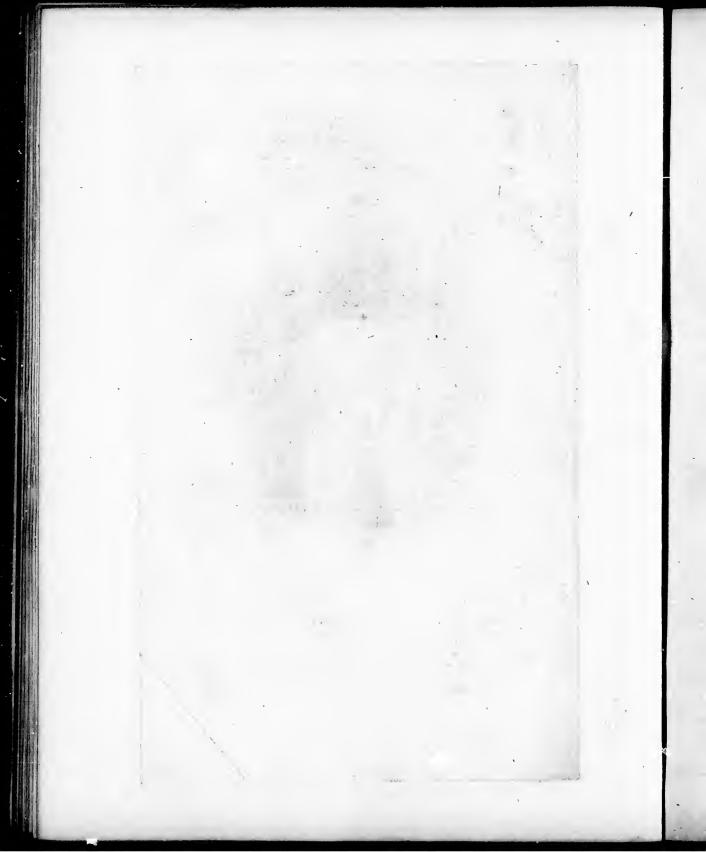
Lead on; I follow: In your native land Your try'd experience must the choice command; And if you fing, as when th' enraptur'd fwains In filence listen'd to the rival strains, When you and *Thyr fis* struck th' alternate lyre (He loves black beauties, you the fair admire; *Monimia*'s fable charms employ his skill, *Parthenia*'s praises your fost measures fill) The hungry herds shall listen from below, The trees forget to move, the gales to blow; Its fall the thund'ring cataract strend, The river rise in heaps, and to the strains attend.

D'APHNIS.

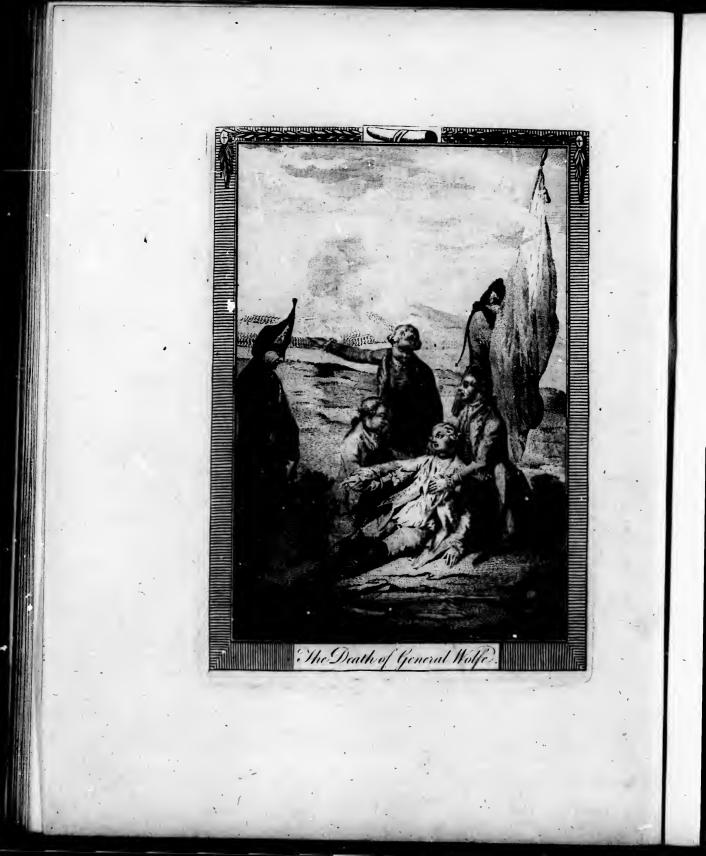
Alas! these flattering vanities are o'er, Nor can such trifling themes amuse me more.

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Whom fhould we fing but WOLFE the bold and brave? Whofe finish'd Virtue finds an early grave; Who, conqu'ring for his Country, smil'd in death, And worlds bequeath'd her with his parting breath. Then hear the artless verse I lately made; I'll fing him living, you lament him dead.

MENALCAS.

Begin the fong, refound the Warrior's praife; Myfelf shall answer in no vulgar lays. Both worlds shall weep the Hero brave and young; The world he conquer'd, that from which he sprung.

DAPHNIS.

O native Land! long tofs'd in dire alarms! Too long a helplefs prey to lawlefs arms! Rejoice! a golden period is begun: Rejoice! the fates a happier thread have fpun; And bleffing, as it runs, the facred clue, Expose to future times a web of fairer hue.

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Behold his cholen Chief our Patriot fends, On France the brandilh'd thunderbolt defeends. He comes; the Hero terrible in War I fee, and hail his bright approach from far, Our world's reftorer, and our Polar ftar. Glad beams of conqueft round his temples play; The foes behold with terror and difmay, And from the fierce effulgence turn their eyes away.

Ye flocks and herds, along the meadows ftray; By purling ftreams, ye lambs, fecurely play: Your flocks and herds in peace, O fhepherd, tend, Your fong may lengthen till the fun defcend; Then back in fafety to your cot repair, And hope to find your wife and children there: No ambufh'd *Indian* lurks to rob of life Your tender children and your faithful wife.

In fafety to the woods, ye hunters, go To chace the deer, and pierce the bounding roe; To peopled lakes explore the beaver's track, And ftrip the livery from his gloffy back :

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Then, fafe return'd with trophies of the chace, Your lovely nymphs with furs and fables grace.

Wield the broad axe, lay groaning forefts bare : Ye fwains, on cedar beams your manfions rear; Inclofe the planted grounds; fecurely throw The feed in earth, it fhall fecurely grow : Your rural feats expect your glad return, Your hofpitable hearths again fhall burn. The great Deliv'rer comes, in armour dreft, With terror plum'd, and conqueft on his creft. At his forefeen approach already fly The Gauls, their Indians raife the barb'rous cry.

Ye failors, launch your fhips, and loofe your fails, Catch the firft favours of the fpringing gales; Defert the fhore, fecure with every breeze, Yours are the treasures of the peopled feas: And yours the ports. The ROYAL ISLAND falls; He plants the ftandard on the batter'd walls, Which, like a meteor blazing in mid-air, Denounces conqueft, and fuccefsful war.

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But greater labours yet remain behind; New conquests rife to his undaunted mind: New worlds to pierce, new regions to explore, Where *British* streamers never stew before.

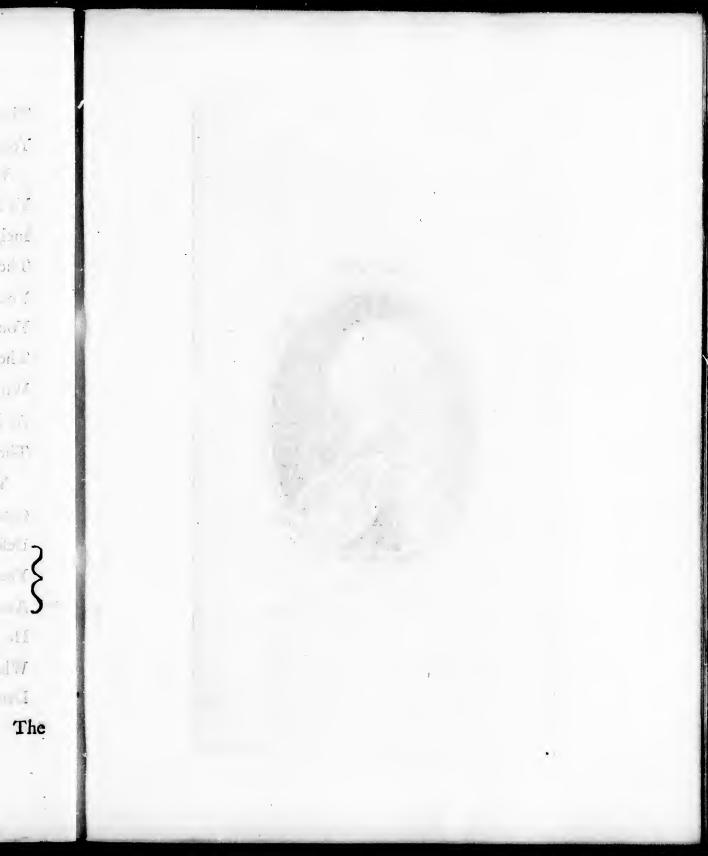
From fouthern fkies *Etefian* breezes blow, With your warm breath diffolve the molded fnow; Difcharge th' encumber'd gulph, and clear the fea Of continents of ice that ftop the Hero's way. Thou mighty river, fire of *Indian* ftreams, That feem'ft an ocean to the boafted *Thames*, Unfold thy bofom, open all thy fhoals, Sufpend thy headlong torrent as it rolls, A friendly harbour to the Chief afford : Thou infant world, receive and own thy Lord; Freed by his conqu'ring hand from *Gallic* chains; O'er thy unnumber'd lakes, and boundlefs plains, A *Britifb* liberty for ever reigns.

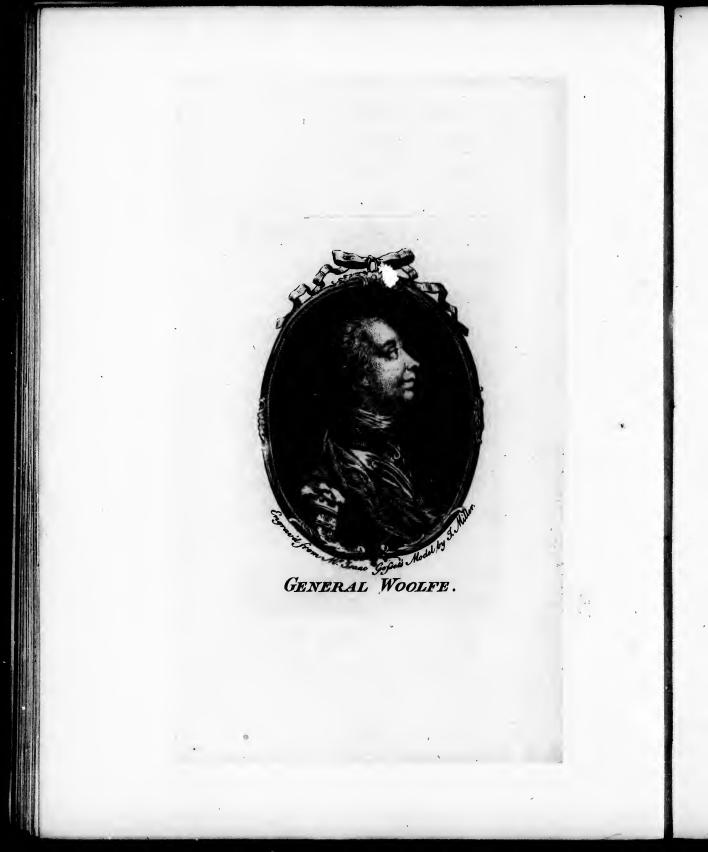
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The Empress of this world unfold her gates, And yield at last to Britain's better fates: Our conqu'ring hosts pursue their destin'd rounds, Pervade the Continent's extremest bounds; Rocks, lakes, and forests, all their strengths resign, And this unmeasur'd world, O Britain, thine!

All hail, AMERICA! the age of gold Which Greece and Italy enjoy'd of old; When Jove was yet unborn, in Saturn's reign; E'er fwords were forg'd, or facrifices flain, Or earth was wounded by the fhining fhare; When fields were common, like their ambient air, Nor hollow drums, nor trumpets angry breath, In rufhing armies rais'd the rage of death.

In this fair clime, reliev'd from civil rage, Victorious WOLFE revives the golden age : On naked rocks, unbidden rofes blow, On barren heaths, fpontaneous harvefts grow, Swamps rear the olive, mountains feed the vine, Our fields o'erflow with milk, our rivers run with wine ::

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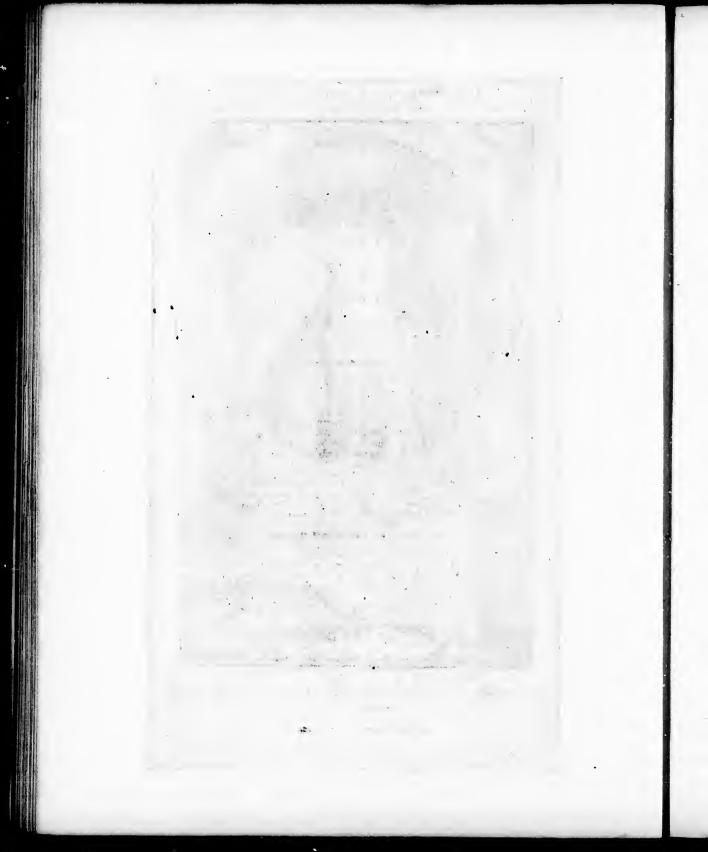
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Divine Aftrea (for our pray'rs prevail) Defcends from Heav'n, and lifts aloft her fcale: Now murder, fraud, and impious warfare ceafe, The favage Indian tribes depart in peace: O'er this vaft empire, ftretch'd from main to main, One Law, one People, and one Monarch reign; And the propitious Æra now begun, Sees its majeftic years in one fmooth tenor run.

When diftant EUROPE bellows with alarms, And her vex'd nations madly ftart to arms; When German rivers, choak'd with heaps of flain, Swoln o'er their banks, run purple to the main; When groans with hoftile navies, Ocean's flood, And feas are dy'd with French and English blood; Our fwains fhall hear, by ev'ry wind that blows, Of wars; and hearing, blefs their fweet repofe : Our vales with mufic and with joy fhall ring, And on our native hills our mufes fing The praife of WOLFE, and bear his glorious Name To lateft ages down, their never-dying theme:

A Chief,





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A Chief, like Bacchus or Alcides great, The Victor of a world, and Former of its face.

MENALCAS.

Weil haft thou fung; and with a heav'n-born flame Rehears'd his godlike Deeds, and rais'd his deathlefs Name: My kindling bofom glows with equal fires; Attend the fong, for now the Mufe infpires.

Acrofs the Main the fatal tidings fled. To Parent *Britain* of her Hero dead: The new-found world his conqu'ring arm had gain'd, The fwelling burft of forrow fcarce reftrain'd; Joy, more than grief, in ev'ry face appears; If joy was feen, 'twas joy chaftis'd by tears: All mourn a Conqueft which fo dear had coft, Nor think the world acquir'd requites the Life they loft.

Raife one loud Chorus, one lamenting Strain; Mourn, Parent Britain ! mourn your Hero flain: Mourn, both ye Worlds! the Warrior brave and young; The world he conquer'd, that from which he fprung.

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Ev'n the great Patriot grieves, concern'd to find The work too well perform'd which he fo well defign'd: But hoarding Vengeance in his confcious breaft, This firm refolve the rifing grief reprefs'd: He vows, THE WORLD THAT CAUS'D THE FATAL STRIFE, SHALL MAY THE FORFEIT OF SO BRAVE A LIFE. Whilft our great Monarch equals all his cares, Approves his Purpofe, and his Sorrow fhares. Genius of Britain ! Guardian God ! allow The promis'd vengeance, and fulfil the vow !

Be reverence to your King and Patriot paid; Mourn, Britons! and with them revenge your Hero dead.

The fatal rumour reach'd his Mother's ears; In ev'ry breath his Fame and Fate fhe Lears. No more a Mother; furious with defpair, She rends her garments, and fhe tears her Hair; And oft in frenzy calls upon her Son, Whofe race of Glory is fo fwiftly run.

Revere the Matron, from whole facred womb Sprung fuch a Hero, loft by fuch a doom.

Drown

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Drown her wild wailings in a louder strain; Mourn, Britons ! mourn with her a Son and Hero slain.

The pious Son a weeping Mother left, In drooping age of ev'ry joy bereft : Not filial duty could conftrain his Stay; From Beauty, Love, and Youth he fore'd himfelf away; Untafted beauty, which the fates decree His arms no more fhall fold, his eyes no more fhall fee; He left a mourning Bride; fo much above He priz'd his Country's, o'er his Miftrefs' Love.

Mix fofter forrows; raife a tender ftrain; O Britons! mourn with her the Bridegroom flain: Mourn, both ye Worlds! the Warrior brave and young; The world he conquer'd, that from which he fprung.

In vain the Hero pledg'd his faith, to come To her expecting arms, with Glory home; Conquefts he gain'd, and blooming Laurels wore; Fore-doom'd, ah! never to behold her more, Or gaze with rapture on her lovely face; She has already had his laft embrace.

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Mix fofter forrows; raife a tender ftrain; O Britons! mourn with her the Bridegroom flain: Mourn, both ye Worlds! the Hero brave and young; The world he conquer'd, that from which he fprung.

O Nymph divine ! the grief thy bofom bears, Seek not to hide, but give it vent in tears: Array'd in fable weeds difplay thy woe, Proud that Mankind thy matchlefs choice fhould know; For who would not be proud of fuch a Love; Of Queens on earth, or Goddeffes above; A Chief, in bloom of youth, his Country's pride, Who won one world, and for another dy'd?

Britain shall mourn with thee thy Bridegroom slain, Soft forrows mix, and raife a tender strain; Both Worlds shall weep thy Here brave and young; The world he conquer'd, that from which he sprung.

His breathlefs coarfe all decent Honours wait, And thou shalt fee him grac'd with all the pomp of State. One face of forrow a whole People wear, Kings, Princes, Senates, weeping round his bier;

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Victorious Hofts, which He to combat led, Whom living they ador'd, lamenting dead : Thro' crouded ftreets the fad Procession go, And Earth's Metropolis one scene of woe.

Pay grateful Honours to his facred Shade; Mourn, Parent Britain I mourn your Hero dead.

Raife to his Memory, and deathles Name, The sculptur'd tomb, and monument of fame. Show him like *Phæbus*. Patron of the bow, Graceful in Youth, like *Jove*'s his awful brow. How gazing armies fix on him their eyes, Resolv'd, like him, each soldier fights or dies. Show how the *French* and favage *Indians* fly The Thunders of his arm, and Lightnings of his eye; How at his felt approach their City scales; Thro' all its hundred States their empire quakes, Resigns its forests, and submits its lakes.

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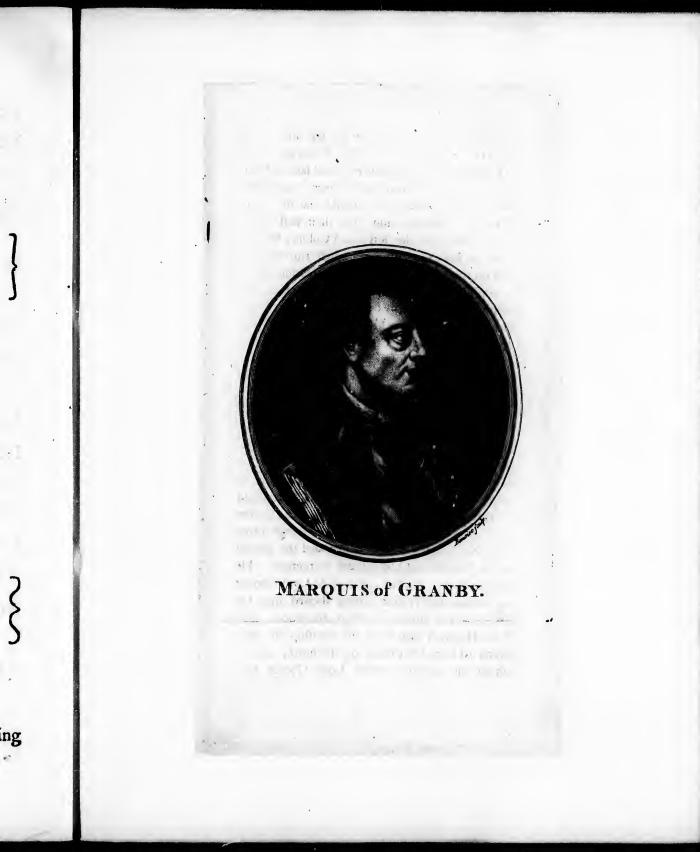
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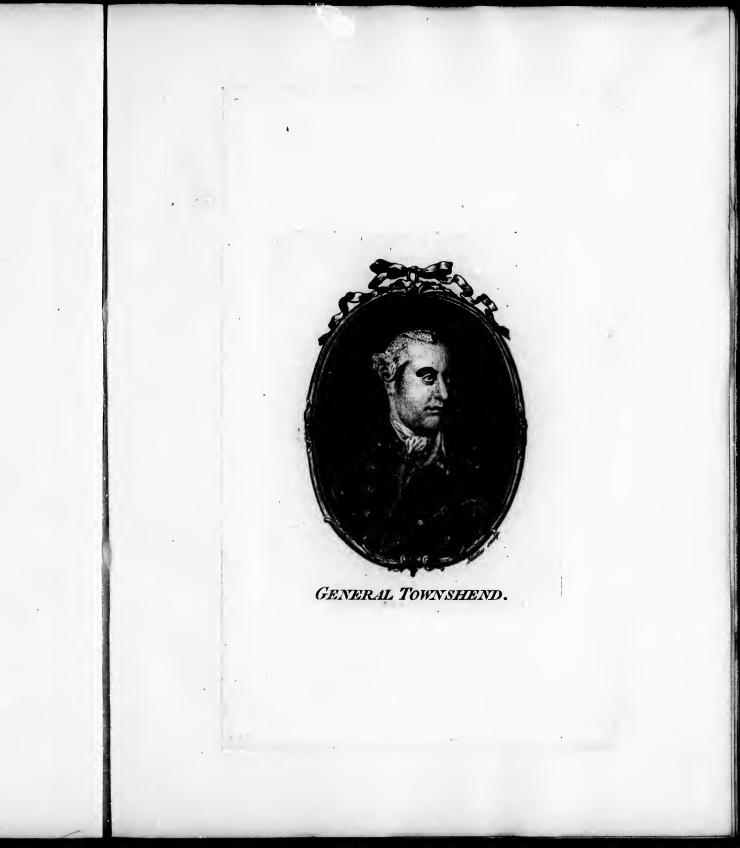
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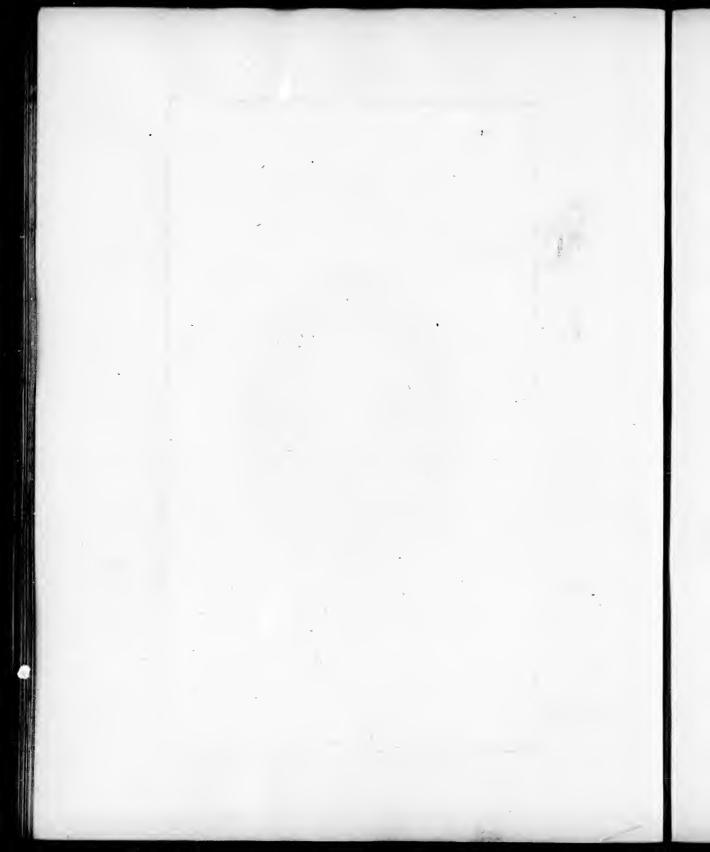
Now they the fad reverfe; the Hero lies As if in pleafing flumbers; clos'd his eyes, That martial Ardour fill, in death, express'd That Country's Love which warm'd his dauntless breaft. With wreaths of Laurel let his brows be bound, With broken arms and truncheons firew the ground, Plant Armies, Senates, Princes, weeping round. By golden armour, and a radiant creft, And martial port, diftinguilh'd from the reft, Place noble GRANBY, AMMERST, TOWNSHEND there, Mourning their Friend, and Brother of the War. Fix'd as a statue, near his much-lov'd fide, In filent forrow, place the beauteous Bride. But oh! what magic fculpture can express The Parent's grief, the Mother's deep diffres! Like Hellor's Mother be the Matron laid, A fable mantle o'er her rev'rend head, Growing to earth, and groveling on the Dead. Then show the Royal Sire, with outspread hands And lifted eyes (as now perhaps he flands)

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Raife to his Memory, and deathlefs Name, The fculptur'd tomb, and monument of fame. Now high above let op'ning Heav'n difplay Its everlafting gates, that flame with Day; Place Gods and Demi-gods and Heroes round, By Jove himfelf the facred Synod crown'd: Let all behold th' immortal Spirit rife; With fong the Mufes hail him to the fkies : His feat with thofe who conquer'd as they bled, Betwixt the Theban and the valiant Swede; While his great Father, with a Father's joy; Receives, alas! too foon, his darling Boy.

Heav'ns!

Heav'ns I what mine eyes behold, may I believe ! Or dreams my fancy, and its dreams deceive ? See, from the fpot where our great Hero lies, A meteor fhine, a trail of light arife; And now it fpreads, and now afcends the fkies. See, forked light'nings in the Weft appear; Hark ! on the Left it thunders thro' the clear. 'Tis paft a doubt—there foars th' immortal Soul To manfions of the Bleft, above the Starry Pole. Ye Gods, ye Demi-gods, behold him rife; With fong, ye Mufes, hail him to the fkies; And thou, great Father, with a Father's joy, Receive, too foon for us, thy darling Boy.

Let unavailing tears no more be fhed; No more, ye Britons, mourn your Hero dead: He lives in Blifs; his Guardian Care protects Your hofts in Conquests, he no more directs: He lives in Blifs; his Guardian Care extends To your lov'd Isle, his Arm no more defends.

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O heav'nly Poet! foft descending rains Are not fo welcome to the anxious Swains, When Sirius throws his burning beams around, And threats their hopes, committed to the ground : Nor fragrant thyme to the laborious Bee,. Is half to grateful, as thy Song to me. Not thirsty Trav'lers in the defart hear Fresh falls of water murmur in their ear; Nor fweating Lab'rers in the fun-burnt vale. Receive, with greater joy, the cooling gale; Than I, in filence and attention hung, Have fat, and lilten'd to the ftrains you fung. Who would not die like WOLFE to fhare his Praife, And share those Hongurs promis'd in thy Lays! Still fuch to Britain, gracious Heav'n! allow; Like him to conquer, and to fing like you !.

But fee the Herds, their hafty fupper done; Draw near the fold, retiring with the fun:

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The Slaves their wearied limbs at eafe recline; The talk perform'd their wayward Lords enjoin. All reft but one, who with unwearied toil 1001 yluivand D Protracts the day, and works the Rubborn foil slow of son 51A Two talks at once his pious hands engage, amount wird north To fpare histpregnant wife, and father's ages! sight starily bak Untutor'd Slaves confes Paternal Right, of orange interesting 201 Soft Love their Serceneis tames, and makes their bradage light Now from the cottage fee my Delia come winT which toM Lo! to our fimple meat the warns the thome any is elis his The evining streaks of light in darkness end a gninow rold Then let us hence; e'er noxious dewe delorate diw , ovioos R Than I, in filence and attention hung, Har fat, and liften'd to the firains you fung. Who would not die like Wourz to fhare his Praifs, And fhare those Honours promis'd in thy Leys! Still fuch to Britain, Gracibus May 11 and wy Likeshim to conquer, and to fing like you ! "Butfleethe Herds, their hafty fupper cone, Draw near the fold, retiring with the fun :

