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TO
SIR PERCY FLORENCE
AND THE
HON. LADY JANE SHELLEY,
THE FOLLOWING TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF
THE IMMORTAL POET,
WHOSE NAME THEY INHERIT,
IS RESPECTFULLY INSCRIBED BY
THE AUTHOR.

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SHELLEY.

“ He had a gentle yet aspiring mind ;
Just, innocent, with varied learning fed,
And such as glorious consolation find
In others' joy, when all their own is dead :
He lived, and laboured for his kind in grief,
And yet, unlike all others, it is said,
That from such toil he never found relief.
Although a child of fortune and of power,
Of an ancestral name the orphan chief,
His soul had wedded wisdom, and her dower
Is love and justice.” PRINCE ATHANASE.

“ Our toil from thought all glorious forms shall cull,
To make this Earth, our home, more beautiful,
And Science, and her sister Poesy,
Shall clothe in light the fields and cities of the free ! ”
THE REVOLT OF ISLAM.

“ In love, and beauty, and delight,
There is no death nor change ; their might
Exceeds our organs, which endure
No light, being themselves obscure.”
THE SENSITIVE PLANT.