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BY THE AUTHOR OF

THE BLIND CHILD.

** True Critics enquire, Does the Work relate to the Interests of Mankind?—Is its Object uteful, and its End moral?—Will it inform the Understanding, and amond the Heart?"

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PREFACE.

To publish a Work with the Title borne by this, may, perhaps, by some, be thought presumption, when it is recollected that Madame de Genlis has already occupied the Dramatic line, in a manner to be imitated by sew, and, probably, to be equalled by none.—But a comparison of this work with the Theatre of Education, of that great Author, would be unfair as to execution, and unjust as to design,—The Writer of this

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this work does not, like Madame de Genlis, intend her Dramatic Dialogues to be performed; well aware that the length of the Scenes, in some places, and the simplicity of the Plot in all, would render them flat and heavy in representation. The motives by which fhe was induced to throw her Stories into Dialogue, werea belief that young people are easily captivated and interested by this manner of writing, and the convenience of avoiding the " faid fle," and " replied fle," which becomes fo fatiguing in a narration of any length, and which she was so often obliged to break in her last work.

This short explanation the Authoress thought due to herself, lest she should be

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be suspected of endeavouring to imitate one of the first Authors the Age has produced.

If these simple Dialogues should be considered as an additional barrier against the encroachments of error, and an additional support to the efforts of Virtue, the Writer will be most happy; and she trusts them, tho not without fear, yet not without hope, to the candour of a generous Public, who at least will give her credit for purity of intention.

