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To

SAMUEL FOOTE, Esq.

this Edition

of Shakespear's Poems

is inscribed

by his obliged humble Servant,

The Editor.

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes that proper record-keeping is essential for transparency and accountability, particularly in the context of public administration and financial management. The text notes that without reliable records, it becomes difficult to track expenditures, identify inefficiencies, and ensure that funds are being used for their intended purposes.

2. Furthermore, the document highlights the role of technology in enhancing record-keeping processes. It suggests that the implementation of digital systems can significantly reduce the risk of errors and data loss, while also improving the efficiency of data retrieval and analysis. However, it also cautions that the adoption of such technologies must be accompanied by robust security measures and staff training to ensure that the data remains secure and accessible to authorized personnel only.

3. In addition, the text addresses the challenges associated with data integration and interoperability. It points out that different departments and agencies often use disparate systems, which can lead to fragmented and inconsistent data. To overcome these challenges, the document recommends the development of standardized data formats and protocols, as well as the establishment of data governance frameworks that define roles, responsibilities, and data quality standards across the organization.

4. Finally, the document concludes by stressing the need for a culture of data-driven decision-making. It argues that simply having data is not enough; it is crucial to have the right people, processes, and tools in place to analyze the data and derive meaningful insights. This involves fostering a mindset where data is used to inform strategic planning, operational improvements, and performance evaluations, ultimately leading to more effective and efficient outcomes for the organization.

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Several editions of the Poems of Shakespear have been printed, but the eager desire to be possessed of the complete works of the noblest of poets, have rendered them scarce; it was therefore imagined, an elegant and correct edition would be very acceptable to every admirer of the author. The poems of *Venus and Adonis*, *Tarquin and Lucrece*, were published by Shakespear, and dedicated by him to his great patron, the Earl of Southampton; the remainder, Mr. Gildon remarks, are evidently genuine; there is not one that does not carry its author's mark and stamp upon it; not only the same manner of thinking, the same turn of thought, but even the same mode of dress and expression; the decompounds, his peculiar sort of epithets, which distinguish him from the verses of all his cotemporaries or successors.

V E N U S
and
A D O N I S.

Vilia miretur vulgus, mihi flavus Apollo
Pocula Castalia plens ministrat aquâ.

Ovid. Amor. l. 1. El. 15.

To the Right Honourable

HENRY WRIOTHESLY,

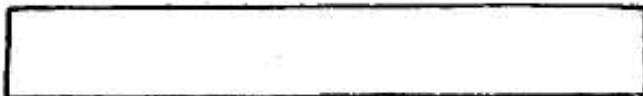
Earl of Southampton, and Baron of Tichfield.

Right Honourable,

I know not how I shall offend, in dedicating my unpolished lines to your lordship; nor how the world will censure me, for choosing so strong a prop to support so weak a burden: only if your honour seem but pleased, I account myself highly praised, and vow to take advantage of all idle hours, till I have honoured you with some graver labour. But if the first heir of my invention prove deformed, I shall be sorry it had so noble a godfather, and never after ear so barren a land, for fear it yield me still so bad a harvest. I leave it to your honourable survey, and your honour to your heart's content; which I wish may always answer your own wish, and the world's hopeful expectation.

Your Honour's in all duty,

Will. Shakespear.



VENUS and ADONIS.

Even as the sun, with purple-coloured face,
 Had ta'en his last leave of the weeping morn,
 Rose-cheek'd Adonis hied him to the chase:
 Hunting he lov'd, but love he laugh'd to scorn.
 Sick-thoughted Venus makes amain unto him,
 And like a bold-fac'd suitor 'gins to woo him.

Thrice fairer than myself! (thus she began)
 The fields sweet flower! sweet above compare!
 Stain to all nymphs! more lovely than a man!
 More white and red, than doves or roses are!
 Nature, that made thee with herself at strife,
 Saith, that the world hath ending with thy life.

Vouchsafe, thou wonder! to alight thy steed,
 And rein his proud head to the saddle-bow;
 If thou wilt deign this favour, for thy meed,
 A thousand honey secrets shalt thou know.
 Here come and sit, where serpent never hisses,
 And being set, I'll smother thee with kisses.

And yet not cloy thy lips with loathed satiety,
 But rather famish them amid their plenty;
 Making them red and pale with fresh variety:
 Ten kisses short as one, one long as twenty.
 A summer's day will seem an hour but short,
 Being wasted in such time-beguiling sport.

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