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*The Statue of Ceres with the Faux restored according to the best Authorities. Designed by Flaxman.*

*Engraved by P.W. Tomkins.*

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## ADVERTISEMENT.

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It has been suggested to the Author, that an Engraving of the Sketch mentioned in the thirteenth page, as made by Mr. GELL at Eleusis, shewing the situation of the Statue of Ceres when discovered among the Ruins of the Temple, would be an interesting addition to the Work. This has been done accordingly; and the Binder is directed to place the Four Plates, not as they are mentioned in the Preface and in the thirteenth page, but in the following order.

- I. FRAGMENT OF THE STATUE OF CERES, with the Face restored, (after a design by *Flaxman*, engraved by *Tomkins*.) as a Frontispiece to the Title.
- II. VIEW OF ELEUSIS, &c. from a Sketch made on the spot by *W. Gell*, *M.A. of Jesus College, Cambridge*; engraved by *Tomkins*; to face page 14.
- III. FRAGMENT OF THE STATUE OF CERES, shewing its present state; from a drawing by *Flaxman*, engraved by *Tomkins*; to face page 24.
- IV. THE STATUE OF CERES, according to its pristine state, as restored by *Flaxman*; from a design by him, engraved by *Tomkins*; to face page 30.





## P R E F A C E.

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THE Public are not any way concerned in the difficulties encountered to remove the Marbles described in this small Volume, from remote and barbarous countries to the place where they now are<sup>a</sup>. The Collection, such as it is, must be considered, after all, merely a gleanings. The Sickle and the Sheaf were in other hands. But, if future travellers from the University, hereafter visiting the territories in which these monuments were found, contribute also their portion, Alma Mater will have no reason to blush for her poverty in documents so materially affecting the utility and dignity of her establishment<sup>b</sup>. The foundation, at least, of a Collection  
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(<sup>a</sup>) By observations which occur in pages 33, 45, it will not be difficult to conjecture some of the causes.

(<sup>b</sup>) The hope is hardly expressed, ere it is in some measure accomplished; for the Author has the satisfaction to congratulate the University upon the liberal contribution made by Mr. WALPOLK of Trinity College, after returning from his long travels in Greece and Asia Minor. In a description of the  
Marbles

of Greek Marbles may be said to have been laid; and by a description of the parts which compose it, there is reason to hope, some points of antient history may appear illustrated; some passages in the text of Classic authors less equivocal. At the same time, if the observations chiefly lead to conclusions remote from any apparent connexion, let it be observed, that the great mass of historic truth is formed by the collection of single facts.

No attempt has been made towards the restoration of any of the Marbles here described. They have been deposited in the Vestibule exactly as they were found. In this respect we have not imitated the example of the French: and it is believed, the Public will not dispute the

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Marbles added by him to the Collection, some observations concerning the remains of antient splendour in the provinces of Ionia, Caria, and Lydia, might have been introduced; but they were purposely omitted, because he is much better qualified, and it is hoped prepared, to satisfy the curiosity of the Public, in this respect.

But while inducement is thus offered to others to augment the Collection so happily begun, some acknowledgment is due from every Member of the University, for the munificent, although frustrated, intentions of another of its individuals. Mr. George Petre of Jesus College, nephew of Lord Petre, embarked for the Continent with the noble design of sparing no expence whatever to enrich this University with the remains of Antient Greece. He was accompanied and guided in the undertaking by the Rev. Mr. Eustace, whose zeal and talents most ably qualified him for the task. Scarcely had these travellers reached Ithaca, where they stood, as it were, *in limine*, and were preparing to excavate the whole of the Olympic Course, when the turbid aspect of public affairs compelled them to return, without having accomplished the object of their wishes.