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THE following Poem was written on the Scene of Action, shortly after the Achievement of the GLORIOUS VICTORY OF TRAFALGAR, which it is intended to commemorate:—but, the Author's Absence from England has unavoidably prevented its earlier Publication; which has been farther retarded, since his Return, by severe domestic Afflictions.

It will not, he hopes, be considered presumptuous in *him*, or uninteresting to the Public, —if he beg leave to add, “that the Production, “ now offered to their Notice, and soliciting their “ candid Indulgence, has been honored by the “ most flattering Approbation of the surviving “ Admirals, the Lords COLLINGWOOD and the “ Earl of NORTHESK, as well as of several other “ distinguished Officers of the British Fleet, “ who participated in the Glory of that unparalleled Victory!

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TO
ELIAB HARVEY, ESQ. M. P.

REAR-ADMIRAL OF THE BLUE;

AND LATE CAPTAIN OF HIS MAJESTY'S SHIP, THE

TEMERAIRE.

SIR,

WHEN on the ever memorable twenty-first of October, I saw you place the TEMERAIRE between two of the Enemy's Line of Battle Ships, and capture them both, I exultingly said to myself, "This is truly a brave Man!"

At the various Courts-martial, which I have attended, and upon which you have sate, as a Member of the Court, I have been no inattentive Observer of your Judgment, and Discrimination, in investigating Truth:—nor have I been unaffected by the Mildness, and Humanity, you have invariably exhibited towards the unfortunate Prisoners! On such Occasions my Heart has again suggested, "This is truly a benevolent, good Man!"

To such a Character it has been my Ambition to address this Poem,—*uninfluenced by the Bias of private Friendship, or personal Intimacy*:—and by such In-

DEDICATION.

ducement, strengthened by the Consideration, that it is a faithful Record of Achievements, "quorum pars magna fuisti;" I am encouraged to place the Publication under the Protection of your Name;—assured, that, though it cannot confer, it must receive Distinction, if honoured by the Patronage of a "brave and good Man!"

I have the honour to be, Sir,

With great truth and Respect,

Your very faithful, and

Obedient humble Servant,

L. H. HALLORAN.

Bath, 20th Aug. 1806.