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INTRODUCTION.

AT the present enlightened period, when every department of literature has a thousand votaries, who devote unsparingly, their wealth, energy, industry, and talent, at the intellectual shrine; it were, perhaps, a presumption to profess to have discovered an especial excellence, peculiarly calculated to promote any branch of mental cultivation. But though the multitude of competitors in the literary arena, preclude a possibility of an author or publisher claiming transcendant merit for any offering submitted to the reading world, it may still be very possible to devise a work, so precisely adapted to a given object, that all its pretensions may not only be sustained, but that it may be made honorable mention of among its compeers.

Books for the perusal of the youthful abound in all the land; some good, some indifferent, some so foolish, that the human intellect is degraded both in the authorship and reading. And in writing, or compiling a work de-

signed to have an influence, and leave its impress, on the character yet unformed, and the mind yet uninstructed, there are many errors to be avoided, many essentials to be attained.

The original articles in this work, having been written expressly for it, by several gentlemen who have long been before the public in capacity of writers, it is hoped, will meet the same degree of approbation that has been so often awarded to other emanations from the same sources.

This little volume is now commended to the patronage of an intelligent and generous community, without further comment or apology, hoping that its faults will be excused by all, and its suitableness to the end proposed be quite apparent.

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THE MASK.

By Mrs. Sargant.

"WHAT a coward you are, Jamie," cried George Gordon to his cousin, as with his younger brother and sister they were proceeding in Farmer Wilson's light cart on a visit to the Abbey Farm; "I really think you have not spirit enough to face a mouse. Do you know," continued he, turning to the good man who himself drove them, "my cousin Jamie is the greatest coward alive. If you were only to say in a whisper to him, 'Hark! Jamie, what's that—don't you see something move yonder?' he would turn as white as a sheet, and tremble from head to foot; and if he was not too much frightened, would run away as fast as his legs could carry him."

"Oh George," interrupted the little fellow who seemed about ten years of age, and whose delicate appearance was strongly contrasted by his cousin's robust and healthy aspect, and superior height, though only a year older, "I am not so