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"Oh! blame not the bard, if he fly to the bowers
Where Pleasure lies, carelessly smiling at Fame."

Moore.



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TO
ARCHIBALD ROUGH
THIS TRIFLE
IS INSCRIBED
AS A TOKEN OF ADMIRATION
BY HIS
FRIEND AND BROTHER
THE AUTHOR.

P R E F A C E .

ENCOURAGED by the pen of toleration and emboldened by the kindly smile of indulgence, is it unnatural that I should, for the second time, present myself before public scrutiny; I, who have but lightly quaffed Hippocrene's wave and contented myself with lingering affectionately in the precincts of the Emyrean Parnassus? Under which circumstances my readers will, I trust, feel the more disposed to forget the weaknesses of my strain, and pity the rhymers.

But I am no aspirant to poetic bays, and only beg to apologize for having sneaked on to holy ground unobserved. I would proffer those my best thanks who were pleased to countenance my *Juvenilia*, and assure them that I was no less gratified than honoured by their observations.

Having, then, represented this little volume in its proper light, and begged those who do me the favour of perusal to exercise as much lenity as their patience will permit them, I wish them a very good morning, and make my bow.

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