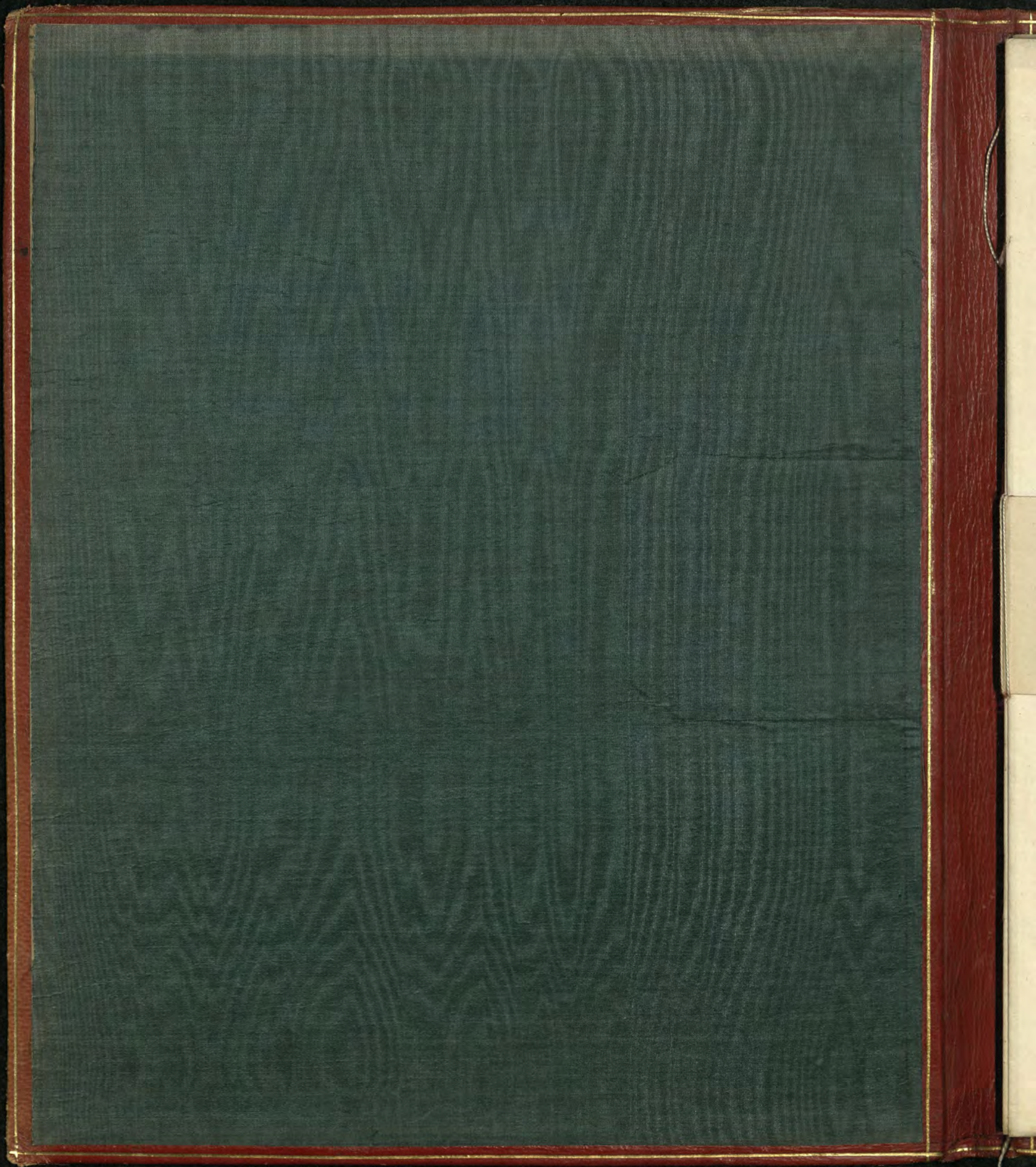


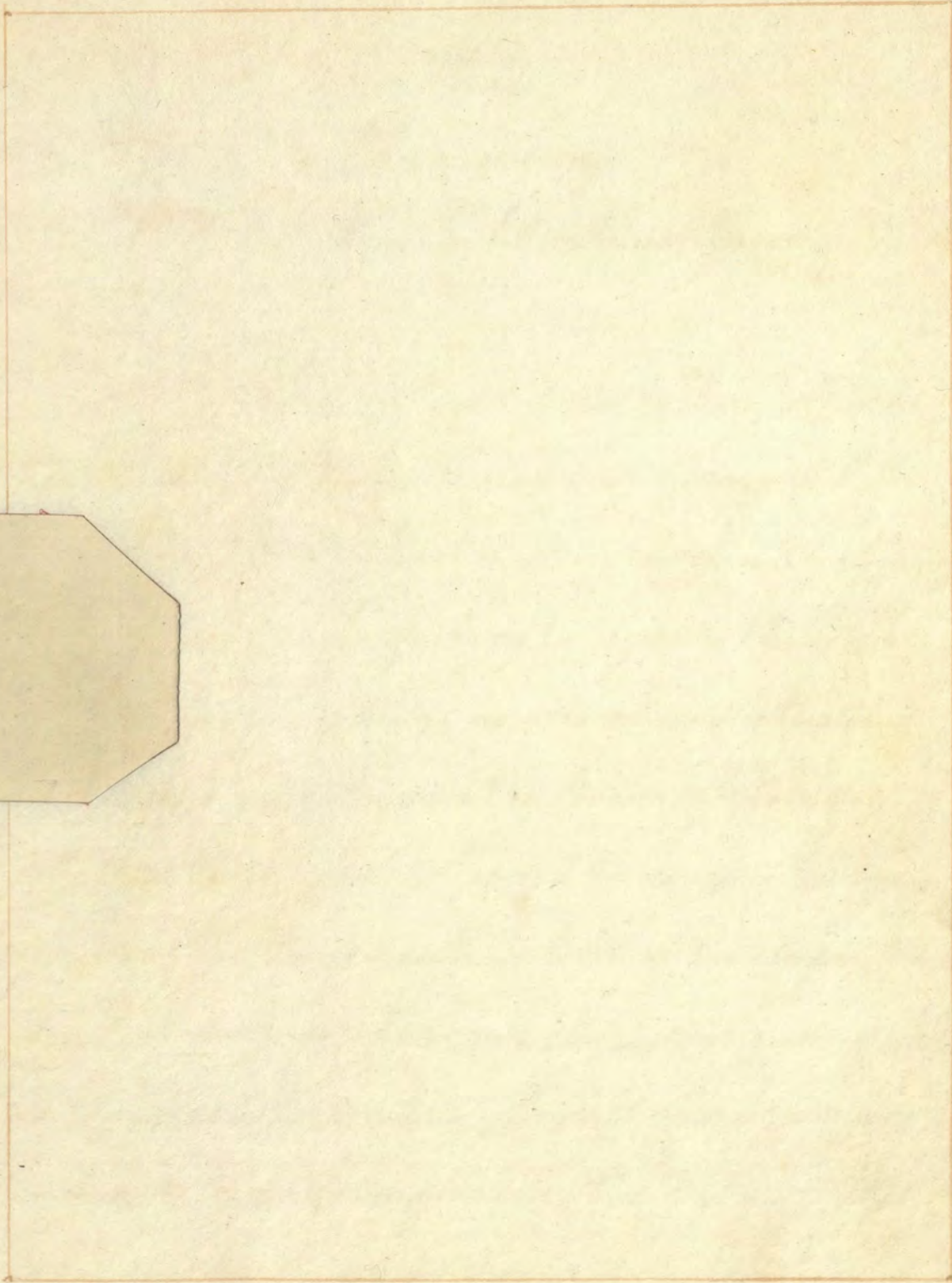


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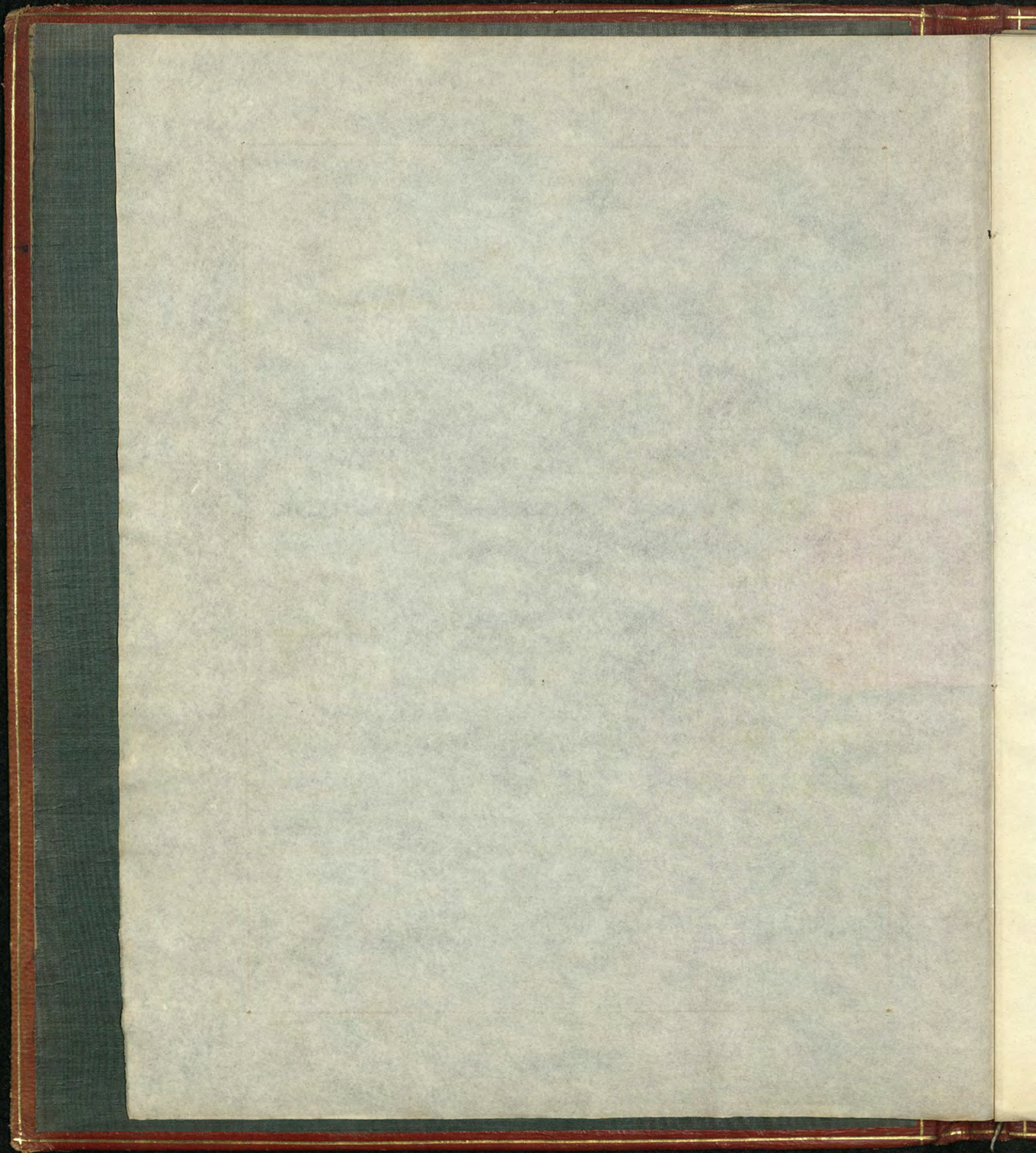
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The
Abencerrago
The ^{or} Knights Adventurers.

The Valiant Infante Don Ferdinand
having succeeded to the Kingdom of Arragon, endeavoured to make his Court, & Army shine with illustrious Spirits; never failing to reprove the Idle, and punish the Vicious: as he was always attentive to Praise, Care, & Reward, the Brave, & Virtuous; whether their Merits tended to advance his Glory, or adorn his Government: In both of these Capacities Don Rodorick de Narvaez, shone conspicuous; who in the War between the Moors, & Christians; in so many occasions signalised his Valour, & his

The
Mentor
or
The Young Man's Advancer.

The Volant Defects of the
having receded to the Kingdom of Denmark, and
vowed to make his Court & stay there with ill
favour, for he never failing to appear the 10th and
presents the Vicar as he was always attentive
to prove, for he knows the Power & Virtues
whether their Virtue tends to remove his Power
or alter his Government: In both of the former
Don Roderick de Navarra has conspired
in the War between the Moor & Christian; in
so many occasions signified his Power & his

Magnanimity, that his Name became equally revered, both by his Friends, & Enemies.

Particularly at the retaking the City of Antichiera, he performed such signal Services, that he was constituted Governor & Captain of it, & as a further / tho unequal / recompense of his Merits, had the Fort of Alora assigned to his care, with an appointment of fifty Knights under him, for the maintenance of it.

In passing from One of these Castles to the Other, & in the securing the Country round them from the incursions of the Enemy, there happened many Encounters, or Skirmishes, between the valiant Soldiers, & the Moors; in which the former always came off with Success.

Agreement, that his name became especially
revered both by his friends & enemies.
Particularly at the retaking the City of
Athenes, he performed such signal services that
he was constituted Governor & Captain of it, & on
fourth / the same day / was appointed of his Majesty
had the Fort of Blora assigned to his care, with an
appointment of fifty Men to assist him, for the
maintenance of it.
In passing from one of these Forts to the
Other, & in the evening the Country round them
from the incursions of the Enemy, these happened
many Incursions, or skirmishes between the valiant
Soldiers & the Moors; in which the former
always came off with success.

It chanced one Summers Night after Supper, that Don Roderick observing the Air to be clear & fresh, told his Companions, he thought it was pity to let it pass in unactivity, to which they readily assented; so that Himself, & Nine Others, Armed Corps a Pie, left the Castle to seek some Adventure: & having proceeded with the utmost Silence (to prevent discovery) to a place where the Road divided into two, they agreed to part Company, the Captain & four of his Knights taking one way, & the remaining five the other, having first settled, that if either of them should fall into an Ambush (upon sounding their Horn) the Other should immediately come to their Succour.

The five that were detached from the Governor, passed by the side of a Wood, heard the Voice of a

It chanced one day in the night after supper that
 the Baroness discovered the order to be clear & fresh, told
 her companions he thought it was just to let it pass
 in secret, to which they readily assented; so that
 himself & three others, James says a Poet, left the castle
 to seek some adventures; & having proceeded with the
 utmost silence to prevent discovery, to a place where
 the road divided into two, they agreed to part company
 the Captain & four of his knights taking one way &
 the remaining five the other, having first settled
 that if either of them should fall into an ambush
 upon bounding their horns, the other should come
 hastily come to their rescue.

The five that were detached from the Governor,
 passed by the side of a Wood, heard the Voice of a

Man who Sung most sweetly in the Arabick Language
to this purpose;

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In early Youth, to Banishment
Devoted for no Crime of Mine
And but Cartama kindly lent
That Love Granada, that was Thine.

Nor Arts, nor Arms, had I acquired,
Nor e'er been blest to see those Eyes,
Whose Light first Warm'd, & after Fird
My Heart, as Cupids Sacrifice.

Thus Power condemns, & Fate Commands
Love calls, & I transported go

Man who says most sweetly in the Arabic language
to this purpose:

In early youth, to Government
I went for no form of mine
And but for some kind of
That for some, that was there.

Mr. Atter, now at home, had I expected
For in best to see those
Miss Light first woman, & after
My heart as for the best.

There have for some, & late for some
For all, & I thought of

Fronting where strong Alora stands,
Regardless of the Common Foe.

My native Country I resign,
And to my Race no Sigh I give,
Cartama too, no longer Thine,
I only in Coyno Live.

& at every pause he fetched so deep a Sigh, that
it seemed to come from the bottom of his Heart:
this made them stop; & having listened till his
Song was finished, they entered the Wood, where
retiring behind some Trees, by the light of the
Moon / that shone resplendant thro the Boughs /
they observed a beautiful Young Moon, coming
along a Path that led directly towards them,

I only in former times
 contained two or three
 And to my place as high
 My native country
 I found it was
 at every corner he fetched so deep a sigh, that
 it seemed to come from the bottom of his heart:
 this made them stop, or having returned till his
 long was finished, they entered the Wood, where
 retiring behind some trees by the right of the
 Moor, that there was a suspension thro' the thicket
 they observed a beautiful young man leaning
 along a path that led directly towards them,

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whose graceful Presence, & benign Aspect, shewed him to be of noble Extraction: He was mounted upon a fine Arabian Horse, whose colour was bright Bay, & he wore a Crimson Damask Vest, Embroidered in the Moorish taste, with small Coats of plaid Silver, & adorned with a great number of Gold Buttons, on his Side hung a rich Sycmeter set with Jewels, & upon his Head he wore a Turban, made of Silk, mixed with Cotton, soft, and white as falling Snow, & almost covered with Pearls; that hung in Filigree, which with many curious foldages encompassed his Temple; having on his left Arm, a large Target finely painted, & in his right Hand, a Tavelin headed with polished Steel.

in the year 1700, a young man of
high birth, and noble extraction: He was mounted
upon a fine Arabian horse, whose colour was
bright bay, & he wore a famous diamond
brooch in the Moorish taste, with small
foots of polished silver, & adorned with a great
number of gold buckles, on his left hand
with signets set with jewels, & upon his feet
he wore a turban, made of silk, mixed with cotton,
soft and white as falling snow, & almost covered
with pearls; that hung in fillets, which with
many various jewels encompassed his temples;
leaning on his left arm, a large velvet hat
pointed, & in his right hand, a scabbard
sheathed with polished steel.

When our Adventurers beheld this Prize, re-
 gardless of his Music, & insensible to amorous
 Thoughts / at least such as were not subordinate to
 their Convenience / they rushed out at once upon him,
 with a Design to make him Prisoner, but the Gallant
 Stranger / not less a Son of Mars, for his Devotions to
 Venus / met their Encounter with such Address, &
 Strength, that three of them soon lay unhorsed upon
 the Ground; upon which the other two Assaulted
 him at the same time, & wounded him in the left
 Arm, but he regardless of it, fought on, till his
 Savelin being broke, he had recourse to this
 Stratagem; setting Spurs to his Horse, he fled away,
 & whilst his two Adventurers followed full Speed,
 touching the Heels of Courser, turned him short

When our Ambassador desired this favor
of his Majesty, as necessary to remove
the doubts of our not intending to
their Government, they wished out of our opinion
with a design to make him believe, but the Parliament
thought not safe to let a son of theirs, for his Majesty to
be present at their encounter with such a Duke, or
thought, that those of them soon lay under the
the Government, upon which the other two assaulted
him at the same time, & wounded him on the left
arm, but he repulsed off it, fought on, till his
wounds being deeper, he had recourse to this
stratagem; retreating to his horse, he fled away
& whilst his two adversaries followed full speed,
touching the Duke of Couriers, turned him about

in an Instant, & passing like Lightning between them, to the Place where he had Vanquished the three Knights, He (with admirable Dexterity) caught up one of their Lances from the ground, & thus Armed, Advanced to renew the Fight, in which perhaps he had been Superior, if in the mean time his Enemies, had not sounded the Horn, that brought Narvaeg, & his followers, to their Assistance.

When the Captain saw three of his Horsemen upon the Field, & the two others scarcely able to maintain it, against one single Man, it raised in his Mind a great Admiration of him, & at the same time a secret Desire to overcome him, without any other assistance, than his own Courage, so that interposing between the combatants, he Addressed ^{him} thus: " Your

in an instant as passing like lightning between them
to the place where he had dispatched the two knights
the first admirable activity caught up one of their
forces from the ground & thus almost immediately
renewed the fight in which perhaps he had been the
prevail if in the mean time his enemies had not
wounded the stone that brought down, & his
followers to their assistance.

When the Captain saw that his horsemen
upon the field & the two others ready able to main-
tain it against one single man it was in his mind
a great admiration of him, & at the same time a
secret desire to overcome him, without any other
assistance than his own courage, so that interposing
between the combatants he observed thus: "I have

Activity & Courage most Noble Cavalier, even Your
Enemies must Praise, & strictest Truth, Confess, that
that Conquering of You, is Conquering indeed: & tho
whoever undertakes it, is sure to hazard much,
yet I would gladly venture, where so bright a
Jewel may be gained:— the Stranger gladly
accepted this proposal, being very desirous to remove
(as soon as possible) all impediments in his way, &
Don Rhodorick having ordered his Men to stand apart,
charging them that if the Moor prevailed, he should
pass unmolested, they prepared themselves with
equal Ardour for the Fight: & such was the
Address and Resolution of the Moor, that had not
his late Encounter & the Wounds that he received
in it, weaken'd him extreamly, Victory that now

Activity & courage most noble Lovell, ever your
" enemies most bitter & strictest foe, I hope that
" that possessing of you, is long since ended: & the
" whatever undertakes it, is sure to hazard much,
" yet I would gladly venture, where so bright
" a jewel may be gained: — the stronger shall
" accept this proposal, being very desirous to remove
" as soon as possible) all impediments in his way, &
" the Lord's having ordered his men to stand apart
" changing them that if the other prevailed, he should
" prove overmastered, they proposed themselves with
" equal labors for the fight: & such was the
" bloody and desperate of the Mass, that had not
" his late encounter & the wounds that he received
" in it, would have been extremely, Victory that was

seemed ready to Crown his Adversary, would have been forced
 to have given the Palm to Him, but being so feeble he could
 scarcely manage his Horse, or indeed sit upon it; with a
 Courage unsurmountable even by Death itself / which
 could only give him regret as it disappointed his present
 Pursuit / collecting all his remaining Force for One Blow,
 he raised himself in his Stirrups, & drove his Lance full at
 the Governor; who receiving it on his Buckler & chusing
 rather to trust to his superior Strength, than return it,
 caught him in his Arms, & drawing him out of the Saddle,
 both together fell upon the ground, & Narvaez being
 uppermost cryed out. // Yield yourself vanquished
 // Cavalier, for both your Life & Death, are in my Power.
 // - To give the Death you talk of / replied the Moor / tis not
 // in your Power, but in that of the Almighty, nor can any

would rather to have his Majesty's
 to have given the same to him, but being so far
 surely manage his time, or indeed not upon it, with a
 purpose to have been even by death itself, which
 could only give him respect as it disappointed his present
 present collecting all his remaining force for the War,
 he raised himself in his strength, & drove his force full at
 the Governor, who receiving it on his back, & charging
 rather to trust to his superior strength, than return it
 catched him in his arms, & drawing him out of the battle
 both together fell upon the ground, & having been
 support most unexpected, while yourself was in the
 "For as for the death of your life, or death, or in any town
 - To give the death you talk of, which the Lord has not
 in your power, but in that of the Almighty, can any

threatening make me Confess that I am conqueved, except
 "by Her, whose Sovereignty I long have owned: & with this
 "Thought, I feel content even in Captivity. — Don Rodovich
 not hearing, or not observing his Words, but only mindfull
 of the Duties of Humanity, & that Clemency, that Brave
 Men owe to Virtue in distress, raised him from the Earth,
 & bound up his wounds himself, which not being dan-
 gerous, but from the Blood he might have lost without
 that Care, and finding he was able to ride, placed him upon
 a Horse: & thus the successfull Governor well pleased, retur-
 ned attended by his Companions, & Prisoner, to Alora.

Yet kept his Eyes & Thoughts attentive on the
 Moor, who through the Grief that overwhelmed him,
 shewed a noble & a pleasing Aspect, which added to the
 Courage, Address & Resolution so lately visible in him,

threatening make me suppose that I am concerned except
 by the usual sovereignty I may have some: with this
 thought I feel content even in captivity. — Tom Howard
 not hearing or not observing his words, but only mindful
 of the duties of humanity that demand that I show
 them one the Virtue in distress, raised him from the earth,
 & bound up his wounds himself, which not being done
 grows but from the blood he might have lost without
 that care and finding he was able to rise placed him upon
 a Horse: & then the successful Governor well pleased return
 ed attended by his Commissioners Prisoner to the town.
 Yet kept his eyes & thoughts attentive on the
 floor, & through the grates that overlooked him
 shined a noble & pleasing aspect, which added to the
 language, though a Resolution so lately visible in him,

raised great wonder in Don Rodorick, when he compared
 it, with his present Dejection, & excess of Sorrow, so little
 suitable to a Virtuous Heart, or Generous Disposition,
 desirous to have this Mystery explained, as well as to
 interrupt the continual Sighing of the Stranger; he
 spoke to him in these Words — " Know Cavalier that
 " He who loses his Spirit with his Liberty leaves himself
 " but little chance ever to regain it; for real Magnani-
 " mity of Soul, in Freedom, or Captivity, is still the
 " Same, & meets all Accidents of War with equal Temper,
 " neither too much Elated by Success, or ever sunk, in
 " Adversity of Fortune. What moves me to this Re-
 " monstrance is, the Abyss of Sorrow in which I see
 " you swallowed, that corresponds but ill with Valour;
 " & the Prowess You so lately manifested. Your Wounds

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I have great number in your service, when he compares
it with his present situation, & says of himself, as little
concerned to a virtuous heart, or generous disposition,
desires to have this military experience, as well as to
intercept the continual fighting of the trumpet; he
wrote to him in these words — "I am for ever that
"the who has his spirit with his Liberty, he himself
"but little knows even to regain it for real happiness"
"quantity of love, in freedom, or fortitude, is still the
"same, & meets all accidents of War with equal temper
"wishes to march blate for success, or even death, in
"obscurity of fortune. What moves me to this is
"necessity, in the hope of doing in which I see
"you unwilling, that corresponds but ill with Nature;
"the proof you so lately manifested, your words

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it is impossible can frighten you, since to your Honour
you have made it plain; that Life & Death, are both
indifferent to you. Forgive me then if I should search too
far, since by my Knighthood, & my Faith I swear, not to
Abuse your Trust, if you repose it in me, & freely own,
what it is that lies so heavy on your Mind: for I
suspect the real Cause is widely different from the
Apparent One.

The Unhappy Moor, pleased with the noble
Carriage of the Governor, not to appear Negligent or
Ungrateful, raising his Eyes, (which with his Fortune
were before Abased) made this Answer. // Rather tell
me Oh generous Soldier, who it is that I must Trust:
& by what Name distinguish Him; who by Humanity
Compleats the Conquest, his Force & Courage gained:

It is impossible to fight you since your name
 you have made it plain that I shall not be
 different to you. I give me the I shall not be
 for since by my situation I may have I shall not be
 about your trust if you report it in one or two
 what it is that is so heavy on your mind for I
 suspect the real cause is not different from the
 appointment I am in a manner of the real cause
 The unhappy I shall not be with the noble
 change of the former not to appear different
 I shall not be raising his eyes which with his
 were before I had made this answer. I shall not be
 me. It generous I shall not be it is that I shall not be
 as by what I have distinguished them who by
 I shall not be the former his I shall not be

Of this I will presently inform You (replyed he)
my Name is Rodorick de Narvaez, & by the favour of
my Sovereign Lord King Ferdinand in whose Name I
hold them) am Governor of his two Fortresses, Antichiera
& Alora. — with joy the Moor received this infor-
mation, & with a countenance expressive of it, made
this reply. — Since Fate determined my Captivity, I am
thankfull that she chose me such a Master, whose
generous Actions, no less raise your Fame, than those
important Conquests you have made, has stretched the
bounderies of your old Castile. I was no Stranger to
Your Courage Sir, before I had this late, & fatal
proof of it; fatal I say, because from this Event, I am
tore from all my Hopes, which as you rightly guess,
were on Sublimer Views, than Hope of War. Yes, I

of this will presently inform yourself by
 my change is desired to be done by the favour of
 my sovereign Lord King James in whose name
 I have thus far favoured of his two most excellent
 children with joy the other received this infor-
 mation with a favourable opinion of it, and
 this reply. I have late determined my intention
 to thank you that she chose me such a matter where
 I never before had seen your name, than that
 important for your sake, has stretched the
 boundaries of your estate. I was as though to
 your favour, for before I had this late a
 proof of it, I had been from this great
 love from all my hopes, which as you rightly
 were as doubtless than those of this year.

I have cause to grieve beyond Expression, & Cause that
 might deject the noblest Soul, & overwhelm the Strong-
 est Resolution; as I make no doubt you will confess,
 when you have heard my Story: which I am ready
 to relate, if you will command your Horsemen to
 keep at a little distance. — Narvaez upon this
 ordered his Attendants to go forward, & he riding
 close to his Prisoner, listened attentively, whilst the
 other discoursed in this manner.

// Think not Sir, that either Entreaties, or
 Promises could draw from me the Secrets of my Soul,
 were they not made by You; whose exalted Vertue
 has long won my Esteem: & who having a generous
 Heart; can not fail of a Tender One; which if it
 has not felt my Pains, at least knows how to Pity

There comes to give you beyond Expressions, & fears that
might defect the modest look, or over-whelm the
great Resolution; as I make no doubt you will easily
when you have heard my story; which I am ready
to relate, if you will command your Attendants to
keep at a little distance. — I have upon this
order his Attendants to go forward & he riding
close to his Privy, I have likewise desired the
other discourse in this manner. — I have
think not fit that either Entreaties, or
I should grow from me the heart of my soul,
I was they not made by force; where I could
I have long upon my Latens; as who having a power
I think can not fail of a tender one; which if it
I have not felt my Power, at least know how to use it.

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them. Know then, that I am called the Young Abindarocy,
to distinguish me from my Uncle of the same Name: but
to make you understand the extent of my Misfortunes,
I should first acquaint you, that Granada once gloried
in a Family of Cavaliers, called the Abencerrages whose
Feats in Arms, & Prudent Councils, were the Support,
& Honour of the Kingdom. In Youth they spent their
Time, in Love, or War, & not a Lady of the Court, but wished
an Abencerrago in her Train, still favouring Him
above her other Lovers, nay she was scarce thought fair,
or esteemed Fashionable, who could not gain the Heart of
one of them. In riper Years, they filled the Council of
the King, who highly Honoured, & Loved a Race; in which
neither Avarice, nor Cowardice, were to be found; their
Humanity, Liberality, & Valour, making them, Valued,

I have been told that I am called the young Whig
 to distinguish me from my Uncle of the same name: but
 to make you understand the extent of my distinction
 I should first acquaint you that I am a one of
 a family of Cavaliers called the *Whigs* who
 fought in Arms, & without favour, were the support
 & Honour of the Kingdom. In short they spent their
 time in Loye, or War, & not a day of the year but what
 was necessary in their time, still pursuing their
 about for other loves, say the was scarce thought for
 or esteem'd talkable who was not born the Heir of
 some of them: In short they fill'd the Council of
 the King, who highly honour'd & lov'd a Peer, in which
 neither Honour, nor favour, were to be found: their
 Honour, Liberty & Power making them, *Whigs*

Beloved, & Reverenced, both by the Nobles, & the People.

Thus in the highest of Earthly Happiness,
 behold how Fortune, with one turn of her inconstant
 Wheel, can quite reverse it! The King or heard, or
 made a Report, that sixteen of this Family, had joyned
 in Combination to destroy him; in revenge for his
 having affronted two of the principal amongst
 Them: upon which, he caused not only the Conspirators,
 but all of the Name to be seized, & beheaded, before the Prince
 Prisoner who now Reigns, & was then a Prisoner
 with You returned to Granada, for he knew they were
 so loved by Him, that unless their Guilt was very
 plain, it would be difficult to Punish them, but
 once condemned, & destroy'd, impossible to restore them:
 the Intreaties & Lamentations, of the greater, & the

Beloved, & Reverenced, both by the Nobles, & the People
I thus on the right of English Kings
I hold you forward with our trust of her inheritance
I will, can quite reverse it. The King or head, or
I made a Report, that sixteen of his Council had
I in combination to destroy him; in revenge for his
I having plotted two of the principal amongst
I them: upon which he ceased, but only the conspirator
I but all of the Name to be seized, or beheaded, before the King
I conspirator, who was a Peer, or was then a Peer
I with you returned to France, for he knew they were
I so laid by him, that unless their fault was very
I pardon it would be difficult to punish them, but
I were condemned, & destroyed, impossible to restore them:
I the Justice & Conscience of the Nation, & the

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deser People in their Favour, did but augment his
" Rage, & as he saw a universal Sorrow & Discontent
" thro- out the City, he thought there could be no
" safety for him upon the Throne, while so Popular
" a Race was in being: therefore proceeded to confiscate
" their Estates, destroy'd their Palaces, & put them all
" to Death without Mercy; except only my Father, and
" my Uncle, who having been his Companions, & done
" him many signal Services, he spared, but with this
" Proviso; that if they had any Son Born, they should
" be immediately sent out of the Kingdom, never to
" return: & if Daughters, that when they grew up, they
" they should marry them to Foreigners:—

At hearing this dreadful Ruin of so Illustrious
a Set of Men, the Humane Don Rodorick could

After Paper in their Town, but not sufficient
 to Page, as he saw a universal down or Discontent
 thro' out the City, he thought there could be no
 safety for him upon the Stage, while so Populace
 was in being: therefore proceeded to forsake
 their Estates, bestow'd their Estates, & put them all
 to death without Mercy, except only my Father and
 my Uncle, who having been his companions & bore
 him many special services he spared, but with this
 proviso, that if they had any son, they should
 be immediately sent out of the Kingdom, under
 pain of death, that when they grew up they
 should shew they were true to their Country:
 At hearing this dreadful Sentence of their
 a lot of them, the thousand two hundred could

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scarcely retain his Tears, crying out — // Oh Abindarraez
// you have truly Cause to grieve the Loss of such a Noble
// Lineage! Men so accomplished I can never believe,
// could enter into any Treachery; & were there wanting
// examples of their Merit, Yours this Day, would be
// sufficient to convince Me. —

// The good Opinion you are pleased to have
// of me / replied the Moor / may God preserve in You,
// but as to my Family; it is a Justice that all unpre-
// judiced Persons must allow them, from many, &
// many Instances. — but to my Story — // Being
// Born to the Infortunes of my House; in Obedience
// to the Royal Edict, I was immediately sent away:
// & as my Father had a particular Friendship with
// the Governour of Cartama / a Fortrefs than lately

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I have retained his tears, crying out — *My Mind*
" you have truly found to give the life of such a noble
" friend! Men so accomplished I can never believe
" could enter into any trade; & were their wanting
" examples of their merit, from this they would be
" sufficient to convince Me. —

" The good opinion you are pleased to have
" of me / & the good will you have shown in your
" but as to my family; it is a justice that all your
" obliged persons must allow them, from many
" many instances — but to my story — *My Mind*
" down to the importance of my story; in which
" to the Royal Court, I was immediately sent away;
" as my father had a particular friendship with
" the Governor of Antwerp / a doctor than later

taken from the Christians he recommended me to his Care;
 who being a Man of equal Honour & Goodness; received,
 & brought me up, as if I had been his own; the Riches
 he possess'd, & the greatness of his Zeal, procuring me
 an Education suitable to the former State of the Abencerrages.
 He had an only Daughter, who I used to call, & think,
 my Sister, but One so dear to me, that I can safely say,
 I never had Pleasure in any thing, but studying Hers;
 who deceiv'd like me, believed I was her Brother, for
 my generous Guardian; to make me more respected, caus'd
 me to be call'd so: & such is my Obligation to him, &
 my Gratitude for Him, that I wou'd with pleasure
 lay down my Life for his Service, & so well I love
 him, that I had rather attend him as a Servant, than
 be deprived of his Company: As our Ages encreas'd, my

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taken from the fountain of the recommended me to his
words being a volume of equal force & goodness; revised
we brought me up as if I had been his own; the picture
the portrait & the greatness of his family, possessing me
an education suitable to the former state of the kingdom
He had an only daughter, who I used to call & think
my sister, but she was to me that I was really
I never had a lesson in any thing but studying the
with respect to the one, which I was her brother for
my generous guardian; to make me more respectable
me to be called: & such is my disposition to him,
my gratitude for him, that I would with pleasure
I lay down my life for his service, & so will I love
him, that I had rather attend him as a servant than
the business of his company. He was also exceedingly

"Passion grew to such a height, it would no longer
 "Keep the bounds allowed to Consanguinity; & once
 "I will remember, that in a Garden of Tefamine, She
 "was dressing her Head with some of those Flowers,
 "whilst lost in the Contemplation of her Beauty,
 "I stood gazing on her at a distance; & sighed to think,
 "She was my Sister; but presently losing that thought,
 "in the hurry of Love, I approached her, & She meeting
 "me with open Arms said. /as we sat down by the
 "Fountain together/ why, my dearest Brother, would
 "you leave me alone so long. Sister I have done nothing
 "but enquire after you this Hour /answered I/ without
 "being able to learn from any Body where you were,
 "till my Heart dictated to me this way hither; but
 "tell me my Dear, how are you certain that we are

I have given to each a receipt, it would be longer
 to keep the books allowed to correspond, & were
 I will remember that in a garden of flowers, the
 more ordering he had with some of these flowers,
 whilst last in the fortification of his beauty,
 I stood gazing on him at a distance, & sighing to think
 he was my sister; but presently having thought
 in the hurry of love, I approached him, & the meeting
 was with open arms, as we sat down by the
 fountain together, why my heart broken, would
 you have me alive so long. Sister I have done nothing
 but enquire after you this time/our lives I without
 being able to learn from any body where you were,
 till my heart dictated to me this way, sister; but
 I tell me my dear how are you certain that we are

" Brother & Sister? - I am no otherwise certain of it / replied
 " She / but from the tender love I feel for You; besides all People
 " call us so, & my Father treats us both as his Children -
 " And if we were not so / rejoined I / could you love me so much,
 " dont you know / said She / if we were not so related, they would
 " not let us be so much together: - & I could even part
 " with so great a Blessing upon that Condition / cryed I
 " passionately embracing her / at which her beautiful Face
 " became all crimson: and looking seriously at me, & pray
 " what do you lose / said she / in being my Brother? I lose
 " myself & you / said I with a sigh fetched from the bottom
 " of my Heart / - I do not understand you - / answered She / for
 " I have always thought as Brother & Sister, we were by
 " Nature obliged to love one another: - It is your Beauty
 " only / replied I / creates that Love in me, which our too

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I have a sister whom we esteem certain of it
I shall not from the tender love I feel for you; besides all things
could us so my father treats us both as his children
I think if we were not so rejoiced I could give you some more
I don't give you any more of us were not so related they would
I don't let us be so much together: - I could give you
I wish so great a blessing upon that condition of you
I profess myself exceedingly obliged to which her beautiful face
I become all favour and looking forward to me, & pray
I wish to you all the good in being my sister: I have
I myself & you I wish a right settled from the bottom
of my heart I do not understand your favouring the for
I have always thought as Brother & Sister we were by
I believe obliged to love one another: - It is your beauty
only I could create that love in me, which our love

"near Alliance ought to chill; & saying this, I looked
 "down, not daring to behold that lovely Creature; whose
 "Image met me in the Fountain, & softly told me, how
 "much my Fate would be preferable to that of Narcissus;
 "if like him, I should lose my Life, in trying to Em-
 "brace the Form that charmed me: then looking round,
 "& seeing how in beautiful Confusion the Jessamins, mixed
 "with other sweet Flowers, grew about the Fountain; I
 "gathered as many of the several Soots, as would make
 "a Garland; which placing upon my Head, I turned
 "towards Lariffa / that is the Name / whose Eyes / I thought /
 "were full of Tenderness & Joy; then taking the Garland
 "from my own Temples, I bound hers with it, & thus
 "She looked like a Celestial Venus; just descended from
 "the fifths Heaven: Well / said she smiling / Abindavaey

mean Alliance ought to fill; or saying this I looked
down, not daring to believe that lovely creature; whose
beauty met me in the fountain, or softly told me, how
much my fate would be preferable to that of Narcissus;
if like him, I should lose my life, in trying to see
more the form that charmed me: then looking round
I saw how in beautiful profusion the perfume mixed
with other sweet flowers grew about the fountain; I
gathered as many of the several sorts, as would make
a garland, which placing upon my head, I turned
towards the fountain, that is the name, whose eyes I thought
were full of tears, and joy then taking the garland
from my own temples, I bowed low with it, & thus
the ladies like a celestial train; just opened from
the fifth Avenue: Well, said she smiling, Alas, how

" what am I now in your imagination? — " You are said
 " I with transports all this World can shew of Excellence;
 " & as the Sovereign of it, & me; I Crown You: — And were
 " I really so, my dearest Brother, would not be the worse
 " for it. / answered she / & then going out of the Garden, I
 " followed her. Not long after my Guardian thinking
 " my Years & my Education enough advanced, discovered
 " who I really was, & by this setting Us free from the
 " Tyes of Blood, left Love in full possession of the Throne.
 " From thence forward, every Wish I made centered in
 " her, she was so much my happiness, that my Mind
 " became incapable of forming a Superior Idea of it,
 " all besides herself seeming dull & odious to me: But
 " now our Conversation, and our Manners, changed
 " with our Condition, and I beheld her with Respect

which are known in your imagination. I have not said
it with transport. This World can show of excellent
we as the description of it, and I have seen. — And were
it really so my heart's desire. Another world not be the more
if it appeared that I then going out of the garden,
I followed her. Not long after my garden thinking
my fears or my Education enough advanced discover
I made I really was as by this telling it's free from the
11 years of blood left for in full possession of the throne.
I turn them forward every which I made content in
I see, the more so much my happiness, that my child
I become incapable of forming a superior idea of it,
I all desires herself remaining but a child to me: But
I now our conversation, and our manners changed
I with our fashion, and I shall see with respect

" & Fear: And tho the same indulgent Sweetness guided
 " her Behaviour; I did not think so, but grew Envious,
 " & Suspicious, of all that Saw & Spoke to her; so certain
 " it is, A Heart that truly loves, is never satisfied.
 " One day walking with her in the same Garden, I
 " before have mentioned, & fancying that her Inclinations,
 " & her Language, were no longer what
 " they used to be, sitting as formerly by the Fountain,
 " She began thus to reason with me: —. " Whence
 " comes it Abindaraez, that all our Cheerfulness
 " is overcast, & that I never hear you talk of any
 " thing, but Misery & Discontent; if I am the Cause,
 " Oh how unjust you are! can you forget how kindly
 " we have lived, how I received, how I have prized
 " your Love, returning it with such a true, & such

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I am your
Dear friend
I have been
thinking of you
very much lately
and wondering
how you are
getting on
I hope you
are well and
happy as usual
I have not
heard from you
for some time
and I am
glad to hear
from you now
I am your
Dear friend
I have been
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“ a constant Passion, as only Death can end: then let us
“ here/ before we leave this Place/ examine whether you
“ ought not to be satisfied. I will not reproach you for
“ your Suspicions, nor your Jealousy, but put them all to
“ the Account of Love, if you hereafter will confide in
“ what I now declare; That you are the Man of all the
“ World, I should Elect to be my Lord, my Master, &
“ my Husband; if such is your Intention, receive my
“ Hand, & Faith, I will be only Yours: but if ignoble
“ Thoughts possess your Soul, & momentary Pleasure all
“ you seek; here break we off for ever. These words
“ that seem'd the Voice of Angels to me/ soon changed
“ my Hell, to Heaven, & bending one Knee to the Ground;—
“ upon her Hand swore my Allegiance, & confirm'd my
“ Love, gratefully owning, I was truly Pleas'd.

no constant passion as only death can end: then I
have before me leave this place examine whether you
ought not to be satisfied. I will not reproach you for
your dissipation, nor your laziness, but put them all to
the account of love, if you hereafter will consider in
what I am beloved; that you are the object of all the
world I shall best to be my lord my master &
my husband; of such is your intention receive my
share & faith, I will be only yours: but if ignoble
thoughts possess your soul & momentary pleasure all
your work; then break me off for ever: then words
of that kind the voice of angels to us soon changed
my self to heaven, & leaving one place to the ground.
Upon her death I was truly distressed & confirmed my
love gratefully turning I was truly distressed.

" But Fortune / ever wavering / soon changed our
 " Scene of Happiness, for Brissione the new crowned
 " King of Granada; to grace the Father of Laviffa,
 " removed him from the Government of Cortana, to
 " that of Coyno, just opposite to yours; ordering that
 " I should remain behind, with the next Commander
 " of the Fortrefs. When we heard this Decree, judge
 " Oh Goderick! if you have ever loved, what our con-
 " dition must have been. Impatient to retire where
 " none could observe us, we gave a loose to our
 " Sorrows & Complaints, & She appearing at that time
 " more lovely then ever to my Eyes, amidst a thousand
 " other wild Expressions, I pronounced these Words:
 " More dear to thy Abindaraez than his Soul, must
 " I at last forego thy Sight, perhaps thy Memory;

"but I am ever wishing your change of
 "line of duty, for I suppose the new form
 "of duty; to give the father of families
 "removed him from the government of London, to
 "that of being just opposite to you; ordering that
 "I should remain behind, with the rest of the
 "of the Fort. When we heard this message
 "of Godrick! if you have ever loved what our
 "action must have been. I protest to you when
 "we could observe us, we gave a look to our
 "towers & fortifications, & the appearance at that time
 "more lovely than ever to my eye, amidst a thousand
 "other will experience, I remember these words:
 "I have been to the Admiralty than his lord must
 "I at last forgive thy light, perhaps thy change;

Oh no, forgive the guilty Thought, for I am sure you
will some time reflect, how wretched, & how lost I am
without you:— She could not answer me; for Tears, &
Sighs, cut short each word she uttered: & tho I had
more force to talk, it was with that strange Dis-
order & Confusion, that I am now unable to repeat it.
When the first Tempest of our Grief was laid, she said
such Tender, & such moving things, that my whole Soul
was melted, & revived: but not to enumerate all par-
ticulars, or tell you what I felt at her departure;
the summe of all was This; — that the first time
her Father left the Fortrefs, or to attend the Court,
or other Business, that might last some Days,
She would send & acquaint me; that coming quietly
we might accomplish the Marriage we had agreed on.

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I do not forgive the quality thought for I am sure you
will some time reflect, how much I have lost
without you. — The could not answer me, for I had
a right, but that each word she uttered: & that I had
more force to talk, it was with that strange dis-
order & confusion, that I am now unable to repeat it.
When the first transport of our passion laid the soul
in such torments & such moving things, that my whole soul
was melted & dissolved: but not to comment all your
particulars, or tell you what I felt at his departure;
the summer of all was this: — that the first time
I ever took leave of the footstep, or to attend the foot,
or other business, that night I lost some sleep
the world was so desolate to me; that coming quickly
I we might accomplish the marriage we had planned on.

" Now this Morning, I received the joyful Summons;
 " & when the Sun retired, began my Journey; short
 " in itself, but shorter by my eager Expectation;
 " which overlooked the Dangers & Impediments, your
 " Neighbouring Garrison might cause; for Armed
 " with Love, & Hope, I feared not Numbers — sure
 " /as I thought/ to Die, or to force my Way; but Heaven
 " has otherwise ordained! then strive no more to stop
 " the torment of my Sorrow; for you can never call
 " it want of Spirit; who know this Hour, how
 " Blessed I might have been, how Lost I am.

The Story & the Passion of the Moor, pierced
 to the very Heart of brave Narvaey, & after pausing
 with himself a while he said — " Now see Albindavaey
 " my Kindness, shall controle the Evil of your Fate;

Now this morning, I received the joyful assurance
 as when the sun retired began my journey; that
 in itself, but charmed by my eager expectation;
 which overtook the dangers & impediments you
 might have perceived might have; for I am
 with you & hope I should not have
 as I thought to die, or to force my way; but I have
 has otherwise overcome! then strive no more to stop
 the torrent of my sorrow; for you can never all
 not want of spirit; who know this from
 I might have been first I am
 the story & the passion of the most pious
 to the very heart of your Majesty, as after pouring
 with himself a while he said — "I have seen
 my thoughts, shall control the rest of your fate

"for if you will promise to return my Prisoner in
"three Days; till then, I will give you Freedom:—

At this the Captive Lover would have thrown himself
at his Feet, but Rodovich prevented him, whilst trans-
ported he cryed out—"Oh generous Spaniard. you
"here give me more than Life, take all the Security
"of a Heart obliged, nay bound for ever to your Service;
"that I will return at the appointed time."

The Governour then called to his Knights, & desired
them to make over to him their Share in the Prisoner,
promising them an equal Gratification, which they
readily agreeing to, he turned to the Moor, & taking
him by the Hand—"You promise me/said he/ Cavalier
"in three Dayes to deliver yourself my Prisoner at
"Alora:—"Yes I promise & Swear to perform it

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As for if you will promise to return my Prisoner in
three days; till then I will give you Freedom:
At this the Captive Jove would have thrown himself
at his feet but Robert prevented him, whilst some
ported he cried out — "O generous Prisoner, you
have give me more than life, take all the security
of a stout soldier, my bound for ever to your service;
that I will return at the appointed time."
The Governor then called to his Knights, ordering
them to make over to him their share in the Prisoner
promising them an equal Protection, which they
readily agreeing to, he turned to the Moor, & taking
him by the hand — "You promise me / said he / Justice
in three days to deliver yourself my Prisoner at
three: — "Yes I promise & mean to perform it

/ Answered the Moor / — // Go then / said Narvaez / where
 // fortune calls you, & I am sorry it was Mine to detain
 // you thus long from your Appointment, but will if
 // you please, now be myself your Guard, from any
 // further trouble: — // No / said Albindaraez / I thank
 // you Sir, I am best alone: & only desire a fresh Horse,
 // my own / from his Wounds / being too weak to carry
 // me — —. At this the Captain ordered him another;
 which was no sooner given him, but leaping at once
 into the Saddle, & turning towards Coyno was in a
 moment out of Sight.

Albindaraez being arrived at the Footreps of
 Coyno, suppressed his impatience to enter, till he had
 carefully looked round, & seen that no body was there
 to observe: finding all quiet, & himself alone, he

I answered the Moor / — I do then find favour / when
" fortune calls you, & I am sorry it was mine to obtain
" you this card from your appointment, but will of
" your grace, now be myself your friend, from any
" further trouble: — I do so, I think
" you see, I am best able: & only desire a short stay
" my own / from his wounds / being too weak to carry
" me — At this the Captain ordered him another
" which was no sooner given him, but leaping at once
" into the lobby, & turning towards Jones was in a
" moment out of sight.
" Albinzore being arrived at the foot of
" Jones, supported his impatience to enter, till he had
" carefully looked round, & seen that no body was there
" to observe: finding all quiet, & himself alone, he

gave the Signal agreed on, at a little private Door, that led immediately to the Apartment of Lariffa, to which as her Confidant conducted him, she told him how anxious her Lady had been for his long stay, This was soon confirmed by herself, who guessing that it was her Lover, who she heard Mounting the Stairs, rose from her Bed with a Heart fluttering between Hope & Fear to meet him: their joy at each others Sight, was expressed, by a close, & mutual Embrace, which lasted near a Minute, till the Lady recollecting herself, drew back, saying at the same time — "What my dearest Lord has so long detained you? Alas what Fears! what Terrors have I felt while I expected You! —" You cannot think my Angel replied I / that my delay was voluntary; things will not

I answered the Moor / — Go then said Mavoray / when
"fortune calls you, or I am sorry it was mine to obtain
"you thus and from your appointment, but will of
"your pleasure, now be myself your friend, from any
"further trouble: — He said Mavoray / thank
"you Sir, I am best alone: or only desire a few's horse,
"from his wound being too weak to carry
"At this the Captain ordered him another,
"no sooner given him, but leaping at once
"into the saddle, & turning towards Joyce was on a
"moment out of sight.
"Mavoray being arrived at the foot of
"Joyce, supported his impatience to enter, till he had
"carefully looked round, & seen that no body was there
"to observe: finding all quiet, & himself alone, he



gave the Signal agreed on, at a little private Door, that
 led immediately to the Apartment of Lariffa, to which
 as her Confidant conducted him, She told him how
 anxious her Lady had been for his long stay, This was
 soon confirmed by herself, who guessing that it was her
 Lover, who she heard mounting the Stairs, rose from
 her Seat, & with a Heart fluttering between Hope &
 Fear, ran to meet him: their joy at each others Sight,
 was first expressed, by a close, & mutual Embrace, which
 lasted near a Minute, till the Lady recollecting
 herself, drew back, saying at the same time — "What
 " my dearest Lord has so long detained you? Alas
 " what Fears! what Terrors have I felt while I expec-
 " ted You! — " You cannot think my Angel / replied I /
 " that my delay was voluntary; things will not

gave the signal upon, at a little private door, that
led immediately to the apartment of Joseph, to which
as her husband conducted him, she told him how
anxious her lady had been for his long stay, this was
soon confirmed by herself, who professed that it was her
joy, who she heard mentioning the time, was from
her heart with a great pleasure between them
that you to meet him: their joy at each others sight
was first expressed, by a close & mutual embrace, which
lasted near a minute, till the lady recollecting
herself, gave back, saying at the same time — What
my heart for has so long detain'd you? Alas
what tears! what sorrows have I felt while I have
been absent! — You cannot think my grief, replied I
that my delay was voluntary; things will not

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“ always happen as One wishes: - The fair Zaniffa glad to
see her Lover there persued no farther her enquiry, but
/with a Modest familiarity/ taking him by the Hand, led
him into a Room richly Adorned, where they had an Elegant
Supper: They afterwards retired into the Bed Chamber,
when being seated, She began her Discourse in this manner.
“ You may observe Oh Abindavaez, if Love is a Tyrant,
“ his Laws are nevertheless just, since having made me
“ your Prisoner; he has also brought you, to be Mine: &
“ if he has occasioned you to suffer by the Absence of
“ your Mistress; he has given her Means, to obviate
“ that absence, & conduct you to this Castle, where I
“ resign into your Hands, all you can desire, making
“ you not only the Master of Myself, but Heir to
“ the Fortune of my Father; for that will be the consequence

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of our Marriage; made indeed without his Knowledge,
because not being so perfectly acquainted with your
Merits as I am, he would certainly be guided in the
choice of a Son in law, by the alluring Charms of
Riches, & Power; but This my Love denies; & every
other intercourse my Honour; — Here with Eyes
declined, & rising. Blushes, She remained Silent; while
the transported Youth, threw himself at her Feet, &
devouring her Hand with Kisses, by interrupting
Accents; devoted himself entirely to Her, concluding
with these words — In return for such a Blessing oh
charming Maid! what can I pay you back? only a
Heart — I have nothing else to offer — yet such a
Heart; so full of Love, of Gratitude, of Duty, nay of
Adoration; that all my Soul, & every Faculty is yours;

of our Marriage; and indeed without his knowledge
because not being so perfectly acquainted with your
Matters as I am, he would certainly be guided in the
choice of a son in law, by the ordinary notions of
Riches & Power; but this you have denied; & every
other intention you throw; — then with eyes
believed & rising. Indeed, the remaining defect: while
the transported youth, threw himself at her feet, &
begging her hand with kisses by interchanging
accents; heated himself entirely to the concluding
with these words — "In return for such a blessing as
"charming child! what can I give you less? only a
"heart — I have nothing else to offer — yet such a
"heart; so full of love, of gratitude, of duty, nay of
"devotion; that all my love & every faculty is yours;

is only yours, & ever will be yours; while Tam Abindarraey.
haste then, & let us tie the sacred Knot, than same.
tify on Earth, an Union made in Heaven.

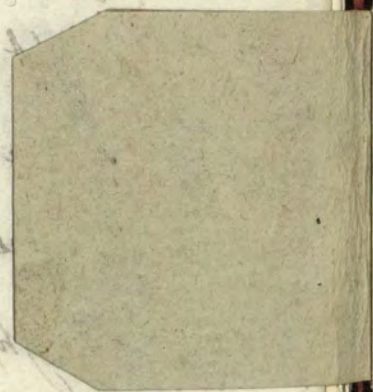
What now could equal Happiness like Thiers, two
Days past on in perfect Bliss, but when the third revolving
Night was come, & the enlarged Prisoner recollected, that
on the Morrow, he must leave his Pwidge, or lose his
Honour; a Melancholy not to be described, forced him
to Sigh, as if his Heart was breaking; & believing—
Zaviffa asleep, he turned & tossed, as restless in his Body,
as his Mind; which She perceiving, listened attentively
to all those Marks of discontent, & horror, with a
Mind little different from his, tho' from a different
Motive, at last unable to endure it longer She
broke Silence in this manner—

is only yours, & ever will be yours; while I am alive
 I hate them, & let us fight the enemy, that I have
 I fight on earth, on which I have made in Heaven.

What now could I expect to happen like this, two
 days past on in perfect hope, but when the third evening
 night was come, & the enlarged Prisoner recalled that
 on the morning he must leave his Prison, or lose his
 Honor; & afterwards not to be described, forced him
 to fight, as if his Heart was breaking; & believing
 himselfe as dead, he turned & faced as well as his body
 as his mind; which the perceiving, stirred attention
 to all those kinds of discontent, or horror, with a
 mind little different from his, the poor a different
 Motion, at last unable to contain it longer, he
 broke down in this manner

" Oh my Abindarocy, what means these Sighs, these Agonies
 " of Soul, do You forget that I am present with you? or is my
 " Presence irksome to my Lord? have you with Prayers, and
 " Tears, with Courtships, & thro Dangers; persued, what in Pos-
 " session you despise? if Beauty slight as Mine, can charm
 " you, yet turn your Thoughts to the more Solid Good,
 " Soul, full of unspotted Love, & generous Friendships,
 " common bounds; for should some happier
 " please you better, I think, indeed I think, I should
 " resign you, rather than see you Thus, tho my own Death
 " must certainly ensue — but Heaven avert the Thought!
 " and grant some other cause, may be the Subject of this
 " untimely Sorrow. — Abindarocy was so overwhelmed
 " with surprise & confusion, that he had not power to
 " interrupt her, till She had finished her Speech, & then

is only yours, & ever will be yours; while I am living
I hate them, & let us give the sword, that some
"light on earth, our lives made in Heaven.
What now could equal happiness like this, two
days past on in perfect life, but when the third morning
it was come, & the enlarged Prisoner recalled that
"I never be must leave his Prison, or lose his
"in; a melancholy not to be described, forced him
"of his heart was breaking; & believing
"trifles as they be termed & taken as trifles in his body,
"as his mind, which the governing part of the
"to all those kinds of discontent, & sorrow with a
"Mind little different from his, the former a different
"Machine, at last unable to endure it longer, the
"broke down in this manner —



" Oh my Abindaracy, what means these Sighs, these Agonies
 " of Soul, do You forget that I am present with you? or is my
 " Presence irksome to my Lord? have you with Prayers, and
 " Tears, with Courtships, & thro Dangers; persued, what in Pos-
 " session you despise? if Beauty slight as Mine, can charm
 " no longer, yet turn your Thoughts to the more Solid Good,
 " & view a Soul, full of unspotted Love, & generous Friendships,
 " beyond all common bounds; for should some happier
 " Virgin please you better, I think, indeed I think, I should
 " resign you, rather than see you Thus, tho my own Death
 " must certainly ensue — but Heaven avert the Thought!
 " and grant some other cause, may be the Subject of this
 " untimely Sorrow. — Abindaracy was so overwhelmed
 " with surprise & confusion, that he had not power to
 " interrupt her, till She had finished her Speech, & then

11 The only thing which I think I should mention
12 of love, do you forget that I am present with you? or is my
13 presence in some to my lord? have you with paper, and
14 heart, with friendship & the danger; please, what in I can
15 refer you to paper? of beauty, light as mine, can charm
16 no paper, yet turn your thoughts to the more solid good,
17 as view a love, full of unexpected love & generous friendship
18 beyond all common bounds; for should some happen
19 again please you better, I think, indeed, I think, I should
20 remain you, rather than see you thus, the way over death
21 must certainly ensue — but Heaven avert the thought
22 and grant some other cause, may be the subject of this
23 sentiment. — I think, however, so overwhelmed
24 with surprise & confusion, that he had not power to
25 interrupt her, till she had finish'd her speech & then

with a Heart full of Anguish, clasping her in his
 Arms made this reply — // If I did not love You my
 // Zariffa more, far more than my own Life, the Sorrow you
 // are Witness to, had never been felt by me — no, were I
 // alone to Suffer, my Sufferings might be born. — but
 // when I think how I have returned your Bounty to me,
 // to a Man abandoned both by Fortune, & his Country;
 // whom you have raised to Riches, Honour, & to Love;
 // while I base & unworthy, have given a Slave into your
 // Arms, for ever the Devils bound us to each other, I
 // was alas! the Bondman of a Christian! and here he
 // proceeded to relate the Adventure on the Road, and
 // his Obligation to return the next Day — Zariffa
 at this recital, recovered her Spirits, & with a Smile
 told him — // that being now her Prisoner, it was not

with a great fall of paper, clapping in in his
 arms made this reply — // If I do not love you
 I shall love you more than my own life, the tower you
 were to step to, had never been felt by me — no, were I
 to love to suffer, my happiness might be soon — but
 when I think how I have returned your bounty to me
 to a man abandoned both by fortune & his country
 who would have never to be seen, however, & to love
 while I live & am worthy, have given a hand into your
 arms, for ever the Paris bound as to each other, I
 was as the workman of a Christian, and here he
 proceeded to relate the adventure on the beach, and
 his obligation to return the next day — // I shall
 at this recital, recover my spirits, & with a smile
 tell him // that being now his prisoner, it was not

"in his Power to return (adding) if this excuse is not
 "sufficient, I believe a Ransome will entirely discharge
 "the Obligation; send immediately, & know what Sum
 "will satisfy the Governour, & he shall have it. // Ah
 "how does your Affection for me, cloud your better Judge-
 "ment my dear Zariffa / replied Abindaracy / but let us not
 "deceive ourselves, nor him; the generous Rodorick, gave
 "me Liberty in kind Compassion to my Love: & I,
 "without reserve, engaged I would deliver up myself;
 "when that was frowned. No Ransome can redeem the
 "loss of Honour, & the breach of Faith. Three Daies
 "he gave me to you; They were yours: & for the rest / till
 "Fortune shall determine otherwise) I must be His.
 "Farewell then, my Dearest, Best of Wives; & while I
 "am Captive in Alora, Live you, Safe & Content if

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" possible — yet think some times with Love on lost
 " Abindaraey —. // No, No (replied Lariffa) nor Heaven,
 " nor I can suffer This; in Prison you, & I at Liberty!
 " One vow has joyned Us, & one Star shall Guide Us. if
 " you will go, take me along with you; for not my
 " own distress, my Fathers rage, nor Death itself; shall
 " ever part us more: — With an excess of Joy,
 Abindaraey heard her resolution, & with the expressions
 of a Heart, overcharged with Love, & Admiration, thanked
 her for it, then rising, they immediately got together —
 what was necessary for their Journey; & set out unknown
 to any in the Fortrefs, before it was light.

In a short time they arrived safe at Allora,
 where knocking at the Gate, Abindaraey was pre-
 sently known, & conducted to the Governor, who having

possible — get things done timely with few or last
Admiralty — Mr. La Touche (1775) not at all
more I can suffer this; in 1775 you, a late Admiral
Admiralty has signed the order that shall guide Mr. J
you will go, take me along with you; for not only
our distress, my father's age, but the state of the
own part as well — With an excess of joy
Admiralty heard her resolution, & with the expression
of great, overjoyed with her & admiration thereof
her for it, then rising, they immediately got together
what was necessary for their journey; & set out unknown
to any in the world, before it was light.
In a short time they arrived safe at Dover,
where boarding at the gate, Admiralty was given
ready ground, & conducted to the Governor, who having

of his coming, rose up to meet him. The Gallant Moor
 at his approach, taking the fair Laviffa by the Hand,
 presented her to him saying—// See Rodovich if my
 Anxiety in Chains was just, or no, This is the Lady that
 but for you I had lost, This is my Wife; & This, more prized,
 more dearly prized, that I have Words to say; I yield you
 up, as Prisoner with myself, & thus fulfill my Promise,
 with a double Gage; because I know your Honour
 equal to our Love.—

Narvaez not less struck with the Beauty of
 Laviffa, than the Faith of Abindarraez addressing
 himself with an obliging Smile to the Lady said
 I know not which of you is the most excellent, but of
 this I am sure, that I am infinitely obliged to you
 Both; & therefore desire you to enter not as Captives,

of his coming you will meet him. The following letter
at his approach, taking the fair opportunity by the hand
presented her to him in person. He observed of my
"Charity in France was just or not this is the doubt
but forgive I had but this is my wife; a third more
I come hereby saying that I have words to say. I will
I appear discover with myself, a true faithful my promise
with a double paper; because I know your thoughts
I repeat to you forever. I have a commission in
for the way not left struck with the beauty of
I think than the faith of ordinary reasoning
himself with an oblique bow to the lady said
I have returned of you is the most excellent but
that I am sorry that I am infinitely obliged to you
I hope; therefore desire you to enter not as frequently

"but Commanders Here, for all in my disposal, is at
 "your Service: - He then led them to their Apartment,
 & soon after, Dinner being served; they Dined together.
 "Abindaracy growing faint, the Governor asked him
 "how his Wounds did; & He answering, // that they pained
 "him. // Lariffa surpris'd, cry'd out. // What is this I
 "hear! have you Wounds, & I not know it? - // Those I
 "received from you (replied her Lover) were of so much
 "more consequence, that I regarded not the Others, tho
 "I confess I received two in the late Combat, which the
 "Riding after, without Dressing, makes Smart a little,
 "but there is no danger. - // That the Surgeon of the
 "Fortress shall see" // replied Navvay, & immediately
 "called for him, while Lariffa (with a concern she in vain
 "endeavour'd to conceal in her Looks) help'd to undress him.

But for matters that for all in my disposal, is at
your service. As then led them to their Apartment,
a soon after, dinner being served, they dined together.
At dinner, growing faint, the Governor asked him
a how his words did, & he answering, that they pleased
him. Then, saying, copy out, What is this?
I have, have your words, & I will know it. — There I
received from you (repeated) were of so much
more consequence, that I regarded not the other two
I could receive two in the late food, which the
writing after without fault. The first was a letter
but there is no danger. — That the Professor of the
Doctors shall see, supplye. However, & immediately
called for him, while the first (with a concern in him
enough to command in his looks) kept to himself, him.

The Surgeon having examined his Wounds found them of no bad consequence, & pouring in a Liqueur that gave them present Ease, in four Days entirely cured them.

Thus with mutual Esteem, & Content, did these Illustrious Persons remain together for some time; in the space of which, Don Rodorick became thoroughly acquainted, with the State of their Affairs, too intricate to be easily adjusted; which often revolving in his Mind, without saying any thing to the Lovers, he at last determined on an expedient for their Service, in which he promised himself Success; Bripione the King of Granada, had been treated by Narvaez with such Humanity & Respect during his Captivity, that it gave him the highest Idea of his Merit, & when he was released / taking leave in the kindest manner / he told him // that
 // he never should account himself free, till by some Act for

The Professor having examined his Works found them to be
 not correct, & pointing in a Letter that gave the
 present Case in four days entirely cured them.
 Thus with mutual Esteem & Content, did these
 illustrious Persons remain together for some time; in the space
 of which, Don Pedro's became thoroughly acquainted with
 the state of their Affairs, too intricate to be easily adjusted;
 which often occurring in his Mind without saying any thing
 to the former, he at last determined on an experiment for their
 service, in which he promised himself success; Don Pedro's the
 King of Granada, had been treated by Lawyers with such
 Humanity & Respect during his Confinement, that it gave
 him the highest Idea of his Merit, & when he was ordered
 to take leave in the kindest manner, he told him that
 he never should account himself free till he saw the

his Service, or Pleasure, he could return part of the Obligations
 he owed. confirming with an Oath, that whenever Don
 Rodonick should request any thing of him, it should be
 granted. — The Christian Governor received His Compliment
 with Politeness, but never intended to make any advantage
 of it; aiming to deserve from All, but receive Reward only,
 from his own Master; but now the long past promise
 arose in his Mind: & as he knew the King of Granada's
 natural Inclination for the Abencerrages, he believed it
 would be no unpleasing Request, that should oblige him
 to restore Them; from these Motives he wrote the
 following Letter, & having Sealed it, sent it by a
 Trumpet.

|| In all Humility most potent Prince, I
 Kiss your Royal Hands, & at the same time send to

His Justice or Pleasure, he could return part of the ^{negotiation}
 we owed, conforming with an Act, that whenever you
 should have request any thing of him, it should be
 granted. — The Persian Governour received his ^{complaint}
 with politeness, but never intended to make any advantage
 of it, aiming to receive from him, but receive ^{nothing}
 from his own estate, but now the last post promises
 more in his Affairs: & as he knew the King of Persias
 natural Inclination for the Armenians, he desired
 would be an unexpressed Request, that should oblige him
 to restore them; from these Matters he wrote the
 following Letter, & having sealed it, sent it by
 Transport. — The of his ^{letter} which is now enclosed
 In all Amity, most potent Prince, I
 kiss your Royal hands, & at the same time send to

inform you, that the only remaining Hope of the
 Albencorages are now my Prisoners, within the Castle
 of Alora; Love & Honour, occasioned their Captivity:
 as the greatness of your Soul, bound you to me by
 both these Tyes; I now claim the Fruits of them, and
 make it my Request; that you not only Reconcile the
 Governor of Coyno, to the Choice his Daughter has
 made, of Abindaraey for her Husband; but also
 that you recall the Noble, & Valiant Albencorages,
 to their Country; tho by doing it I know, that your
 Army, & Council, will be greatly Strengthened, yet the
 Vertue, & Valour of my Master, wants no such little
 aids, as dividing your Subjects, to make him conquer.
 Take then Oh Prince, the bravest, & justest Man,
 with the most Beautiful & Constant Woman, to

I inform you, that the only remaining hope of the
 " Abenagoes are now my Governor, within the limits
 " of these; for as soon as we arrived their hostility;
 " as on the receipt of your love, I send you to me by
 " both these ways; I now claim the parts of them, and
 " make it my Request, that you not only receive the
 " Governor of Long, to the place his daughter has
 " made of Abenagoes for her husband, but also
 " that you recall the Noble & Valiant Abenagoes,
 " to their Country, the by doing it I know, that your
 " Army & Forces, will be greatly strengthened, yet the
 " Virtue & Valour of my Master, would do much better
 " with, as driving your Subjects, to make him captive.
 " Take then the Peace, the sweetest & justest Man,
 " with the most beautiful & constant Woman, to

your Protection; & by That, acquit the voluntary
Engagement you were under; to

Godorick de Narvaez.

When the Messenger arrived at Granada, he was immediately brought to the King, who rejoicing to find himself treated with such Confidence, & Respect, by the only Christian that he loved, & One who he wished to Oblige, in recompence for the many good Offices he had received from him; graciously told the Trumpet, to Stay, & then calling the Governor of Coyne apart, gave him the Letter to read, who turning pale upon seeing the Contents, the King, not giving him time to remonstrate, said, It is in vain to contend, whatever reasons you may alledge to the contrary, Don Godorick must be Gratified, & I Obey, haste then to Alora, pardon

your protection; & by that acquit the voluntary
engagement you were under; to

Godrich de Norwiche.

When the messenger arrived at London he immediately
brought to the King who appearing to find himself treated
with much civility & respect, by the only Christian that
he met in the city he desired to sleep in recompense for
the many good offices he had received from him; & accordingly
told the messenger to stay & then calling the Governor of
London's court, gave him the letter to read, who turning pale
upon seeing the contents, the King not giving him time
to read it, said, it is in vain to contend, whatever
processors you may allege to the contrary, Godrich
must be satisfied, & the messenger returned to the King's court.

the Marriage, receive them as your children, & carry them
 Home; & by this behaviour, deserve the Favour I intend both
 to You, & Them. The Father however provoked, found it
 was in vain to oppose the King, so assuming the tran-
 quillity he could not presently arrive at, He set out with
 the Messenger, who having received the Kings answer
 returned the next Day to Alora.

Being arrived, the Governour of Coyna, was received
 by Narvaez, with the greatest Respect, while the Two
 Lovers threw themselves at his Feet, & implored his
 Pardon; the sight of Objects so dear to him, who now
 presumed to advance so far as to Kiss his Hands with
 the utmost Affection, soon reconciled him to the Kings
 Opinion; & with a real Pleasure, tho' to support his Dignity
 a seeming Reserve, he raised them from the ground, but

the marriage, we see them as your father, & every thing
of course, & by this business, because the town is not both
to you, & to him. The father however provided found it
was in vain to oppose the King, so offering the town
quitting he could not possibly arrive at the set out with
the messenger, who having received the King's answer
returned the next day to Orléans. The messenger
being arrived, the Governor of Orléans was advised
by Monsieur de Nemours, with the greatest respect, while the two
loves them themselves at his feet, & implored his
London; the right of Orléans is due to him, who was
permitted to advance so far as to kiss his hands with
the utmost affection, soon revealed him to the King
Paris; & with a real pleasure, to support his dignity
a serious person, he raised them from the ground, but

when they would have alledged some thing in their excuse,
 he stopp'd them short saying — // Let us not talk of what
 is past, the King commands me to receive you as my Children,
 & I Obey. // then turning to Don Rodorick, in the Kings Name,
 & his own, made all the Acknowledgements that was
 possible, while the Other by all his Words, & Actions,
 showed how happy he esteemed himself in having them
 for his Guests, who for several Dayes he retained, with
 Feast, & other Amusements, & then, not only gave them
 their Liberty, but waited on them Himself, to the Prey-
 cints of his Government, where bidding each other
 Adieu, He went back to Alora, & they proceeded to Coyna.

Where fresh rejoycings, made the Hours pass on
 with all delight; when one day the Governor being
 alone with them, spoke thus. // Now my Children that

when they would have obliged some thing in their course
 he stopped them short saying. I let us not talk of what
 is past, the King commands me to receive you as my friends
 and I shall then turning to the Governor, in the King's name
 & his own, make all the acknowledgements that was
 possible, while the other by all his words & actions,
 showed how happy he esteemed himself in having them
 for his guests, and for several days he continued with
 great & other acknowledgements, & then not only gave them
 their Liberty, but waited on them himself, to the prin-
 cials of his Government, where bidding each other
 adieu, they went back to their, & they proceeded to home.
 Where first rejoicing, made the others profess
 with all delight, when one day the Governor being
 alone with them, spoke thus. I have my children that

" you are equal Shavers with me in all that I profess: & by the
 " Favours of the King, you are advanced to the highest Degree of
 " Human Felicity; it is just that you should remember to who you
 " owe it: & not only send the handsome, the generous Narvaey
 " might have demanded of you, but add some mark of gratitude,
 " for the additional Benefits, his Friendships have
 " occasioned to us all; take then four thousand Pieces
 " of Gold, and send them to Him; ever retaining an invi-
 " olable Friendship, & Esteem for him, tho' our Laws, and
 " Beliefs, are so widely different—". With joy the
 young People received a proposition, their Modesty
 would not suffer them to make, & having received the
 Money, they placed it in a Box, Abindarraey adding
 from Himself, six Moorish Horses, richly compari-
 soned, six Targets, finely wrought, & as many Lances,

you are equal there with me in all that respects by the
 favour of the King you are advanced to the highest degree of
 Honour & Dignity it is just that you should remember to do your
 duty & not only send the Queen the generous presents
 which have been made of you but also some mark of gratitude
 for the substantial benefit his Majesty has
 recovered to us all, take then four thousand pieces
 of gold, and send them to him, ever retaining an ever
 valuable friendship & esteem for him, the one your duty
 & the other so nobly different. With joy the
 young Prince received a proposition, that his Majesty
 would not suffer them to depart, or having received the
 money, they should sit in a box, the ordinary way
 from himself six thousand stivers, which company
 sent six talents yearly, which is an annual sum

pointed with Gold. Zariffa at the same time, sending
 a Cyprus Trunk, filled with a compleat Set of Linnen,
 curiously worked by her own Hand, accompanied by
 a Letter, full of Gratitude, & Affection; This present
 was received by Don Godorick with the same Senti-
 ments, He divided the Horses, & Arms with His
 Companions, retaining the Cyprus Trunk & Linnen
 for himself, & returned answer to the Governor of
 Coyno — // That he received the four Thousand
 // Pieces of Gold, with all thanks from him, as
 // the Ransome of his Children; but returned it, as
 // a Mystical Present, to Abindaraez & Zariffa; whose
 // Love & Esteem, he preferred, to all the Riches in
 // the World. — The Messenger brought back the Gold,
 & the Praises of Narvaez, to Coyno, where his Name,

presented with Gold. Jewels at the same time, containing
a Paper. bound, filled with a complete set of Letters,
carefully worked by her own Hand, accompanied by
a Letter full of Gratitude & Affection; this present
was received by her Majesty with the same Delicacy
as she desired the Honor & Advantage with this
Compliment, retaining the Paper bound & Letter
for herself & returned answer to the Governor of
Lyon — // That he received the four Presents
of Pieces of Gold, with all thanks from her, as
the Governor of his Children; but returned it as
an essential present to the King & Queen; who
for & later, he presented to all the Children
the World. — The Messenger brought back the Gold,
at the Order of Monsieur, to Lyon, where his name

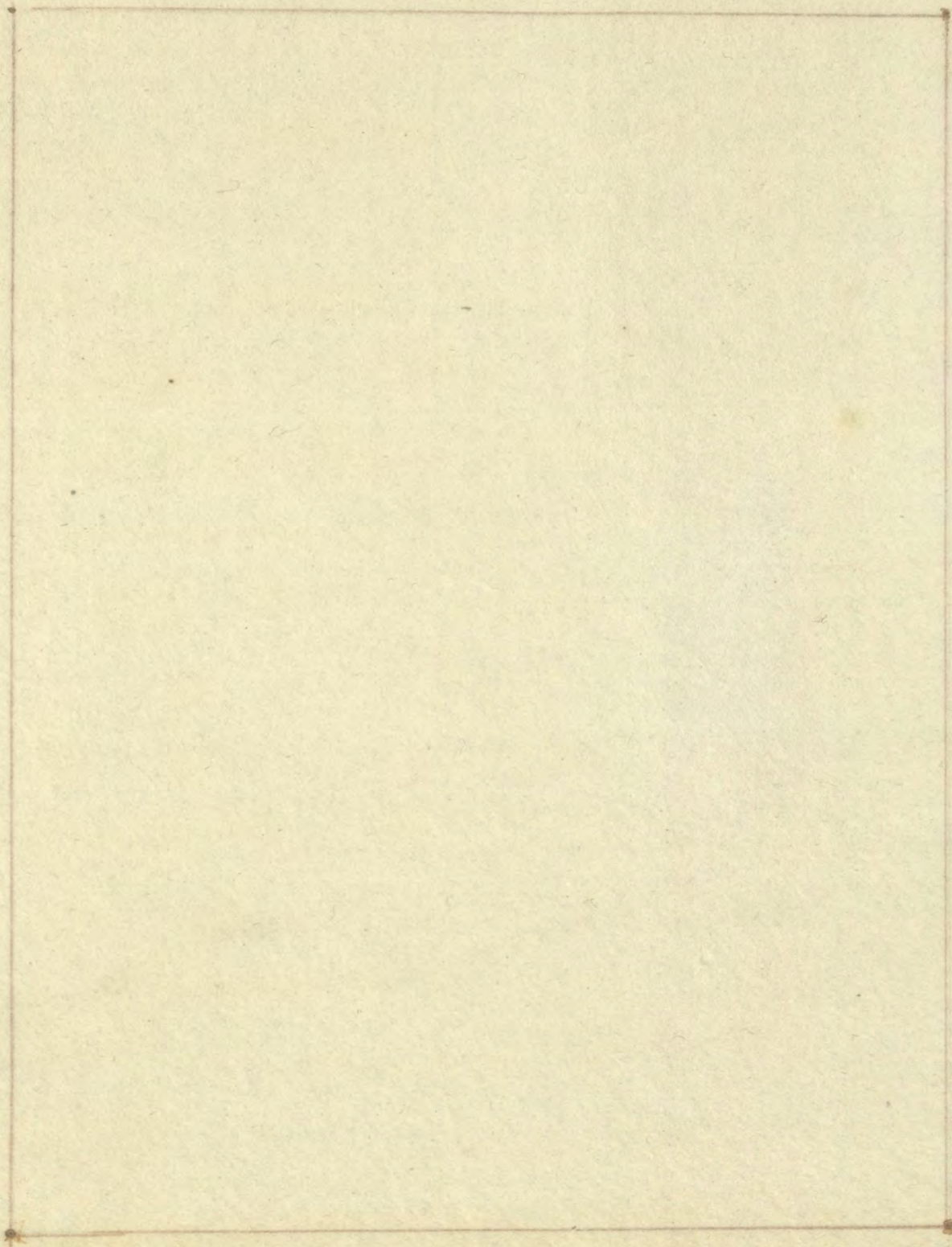
a Reputation, were in the highest renown with All;
 but more particularly beloved by the ABENERRAGES.
 who with grateful Justice, extolled his Fame above those of
 all the other KNIGHTS-ADVENTURERS.



Windsor Castle the 9th of February. 1814.

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A Sua Eccellenza
 Donna Carolina Fattore.

After a furious Tempest that had kept me waking
 all Night; the Sun having dispelled the remaining Vapours;
 strewed its golden Sprangles over the Plain of Neptune, which
 inviting me to the Beach; I there walked on for some time; con-
 templating on the difference of the same Things, in different
 Attitudes, & different Tempers: how Gay, how Charming, was
 the present Scene! how Dreadful, how Dangerous, the Past!
 A Chain of Thoughts then led me, to make the Application to
 Human Life; & particular Concern, to my own Fortune; sometimes
 so full of Hope, nay so full of Enjoyment: & at other times, so des-
 titute, as to leave me almost lost in Despair! whilst these
 Reflections vibrated (If I may so say) in my Mind, the Post brought

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A few weeks
before the
last.

After a few weeks I had left me working
all night; the sun having dispelled the remaining vapours
strewed its golden tresses over the plain of Westmoreland
inviting me to the beach; I then walked on for some time; can-
templating on the difference of the same things in different
situations, & different seasons: how good how firm, was
the present scene! how dreadful how dangerous, the last!
A chain of thoughts then led me, to make the application to
human life; & particular concern, to my own fortune; sometimes
so full of hope, now so full of enjoyment; & at other times, so be-
littled, as to leave me almost lost in despair! whilst these
reflections visited (I may say) in my mind, the last thought

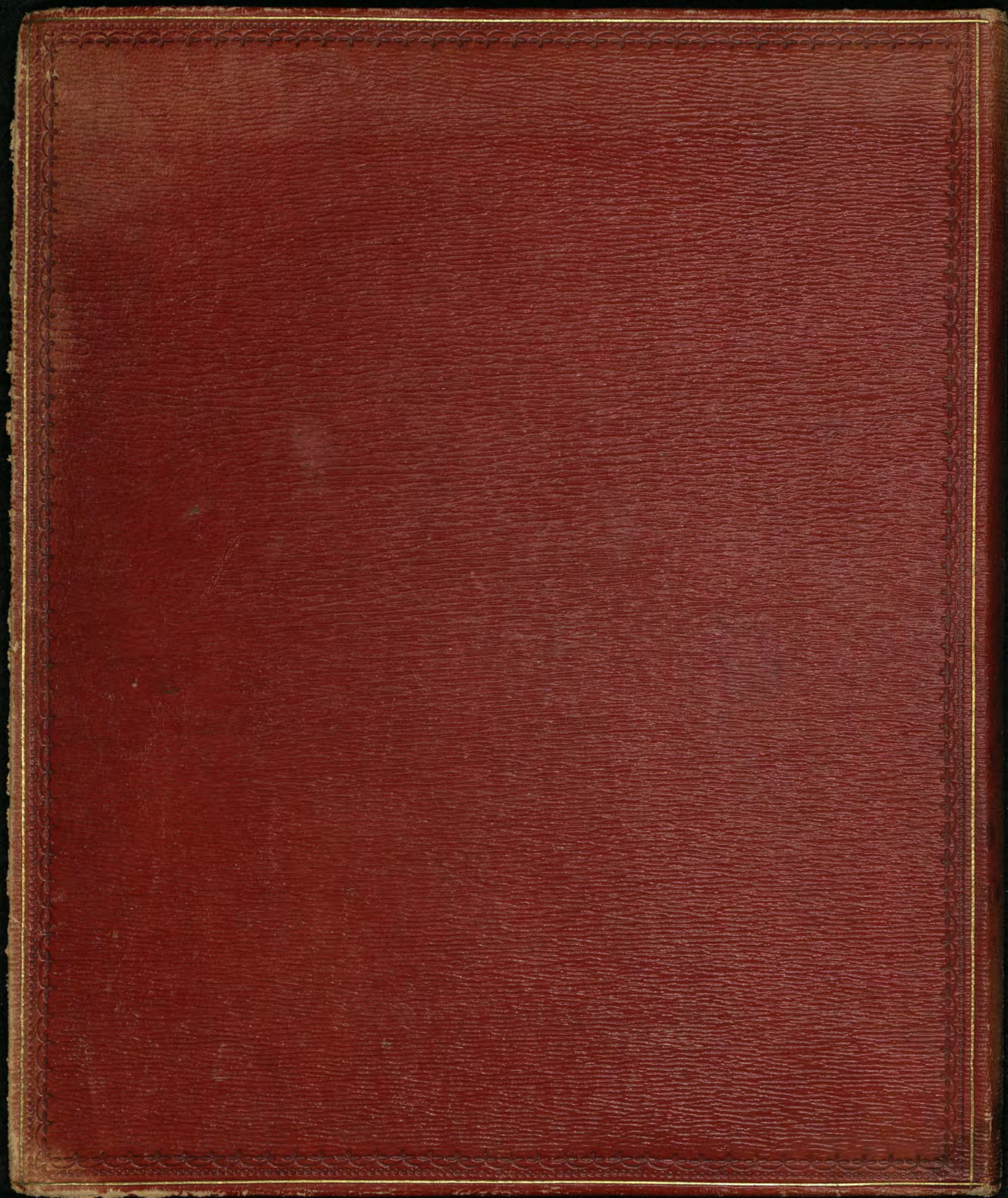
me the News of your approaching Marriage; as it could not but meet with my Approbation in the highest degree, it caused every rebell Thought to my Repose (for that Day at least) to subside: & as I was willing to contribute, my Flower to the Garland; I set myself about composing this little Novel, which as it presents you with the various turns of Fortune, & the true Luster of Virtues, can not fail of being acceptable to a Pair, so plentifully endowed with all the train of them: besides the long Acquaintance, Friendships, & Esteem, I have ever found from You most deserving Lady; give ample promise of Indulgence to me, who with all the sincerity Mortal is capable of; Wishes you Health, Happiness, & length of Days.

Adieu.

Arrigo Beataspina.

me the less of your approaching Marriage; as it could not but
meet with my Approbation in the highest degree, it could convey
: indeed it is that you should be so oblig'd to me, as to
: I was willing to contribute my share to the good, & not
: myself about composing this little Novel, which as it presents you
: with the various turns of Fortune, & the various turns of
: not fail of being acceptable to a fair & judicious Reader
: all the train of them: besides the long Disquisitions, which
: of them, I have ever found you most desirous to peruse
: manner of Advantage to me, who with all the necessity of
: is capable of: Wishes you Health, Prosperity, & length of Days.
: them. I am your Obedient Servant, as you are my Friend
: in full of hope, say so full of joy, as you are my Friend
: whole, as to have me almost lost in despair: while the
: Reflection on what I am capable of, in my own Mind, the best thought





Ode To Hope.

Oh thou whose sweetly pleasing sway
Our willing hearts with Joy obey
Oh! Hope, my prayer attend,
The prayer of one, whose tortur'd Heart,
Proud by afflictions sharpest dart
Finds thee her only Friend.

Midst: all the pangs that rend my Breast,
And long have robb'd my Soul of rest,
On thee I still rely,
For Heaven in pity, sent thee here,
And bade thee wipe the bitter tear,
That streams from sorrow's eye.

O'er all Mankind, thy care extend.
Thy balm the guilty wretch defends
From madness & Despair.

To stop stern Justice in her course,
Thou teachest Him the Wondrous force
Of Penitence & Prayer.

Virtue by Tyrant power oppress'd
Friendless, afflicted, and distress'd.

By thee is taught to rise;
And conscience of her heavenly birth
Will scorn the narrow bounds of Earth
To claim her vindred skies.

'Tis thine to pierce the Dismal gloom
Where sorrow weeps o'er Friendships tomb.

And hail that happy shore
Where pleasure shall for ever reign
And virtuous Love unite again
And Friends shall part no more

Midst torturing vapors, and scorching fires,
The Hero whom thy voice inspires
In conscious virtue brave
Triumphantly resigns his breath
And plucks the sting from vanquish'd death
The Victory from the grave

Oh! may thy kind thy gentle Power
Sustain me in that dreadful Hour
When Nature shrinks aghast,
When death's cold hands these eyes shall close
And my long pilgrimage of woes
Shall have an end at last.

When the pale ~~Life~~ Camp of Life expires
When reason's calm and fancy's fires
Have left my panting Breast.

Oh! still my lovely cherub stay
And bear my parting soul away
To realms of endless bliss.

Morning Herald. Z. House the 27th of June 1816.