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# **The Works Of Horatio Walpole, Earl Of Orford**

In Five Volumes

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An Ode modernized from Chatterton

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## An ODE modernized from CHATTERTON.

**H** EART of lion, shake thy sword;  
 Bare thy slaughter-stained hand:  
 Chase whole armies with thy word,  
 Work thy will in holy land.

Barons here, with courfers prancing,  
 Boldly breast the pagan host:  
 See, thy thund'ring arms advancing,  
 See, they quail! their city's lost!

Heart of lion, sound the trumpet!  
 Sound the charge to farthest lands!  
 Fear flies sporting o'er the combat;  
 In thy banner terror stands.

These lines were modernized from those first sent to me by Chatterton, and which I returned without taking a copy. I had mislaid this paper, and did not find it till long afterwards. I had thought it spoke of Richard I. as dead; but it was addressed to him, and is a stronger proof that Chatterton at first had intended to give the poems as of the age of Richard I.; and the stanzas being in metre when designed for that age, is another evidence of the forgery.

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