

The Works Of Horatio Walpole, Earl Of Orford

In Five Volumes

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Song

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THE ADVICE:

A SONG.

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THE bufiness of woman, dear Chloe, is pleasure;
And by love ev'ry fair one her minutes should measure.
Oh! for love we're all ready, you cry—Very true;
Nor would I rob the gentle fond god of his due.
Unless in the sentiments Cupid has part,
And dips in the amorous transport his dart,
'Tis tumult, disorder, 'tis loathing and hate,
Caprice gives it birth, and contempt is its fate.

II.

True paffion infenfibly leads to the joy,
And grateful efteem bids its pleasures ne'er cloy.
Yet here you should stop—but your whimsical fex
Such romantic ideas to passion annex,
That poor men, by your visions and jealousy worried,
To nymphs less ecstatic, but kinder, are hurried.
In your heart, I consent, let your wishes be bred;
Only take care your heart don't get into your head.

SONG.

I.

WHAT a rout do you make for a fingle poor kiss!
I seiz'd it, 'tis true, and I ne'er shall repent it:
May he ne'er enjoy one, who shall think 'twas amiss!
But for me, I thank dear Cytherea, who sent it.
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II. You

You may pout, and look prettily cross; but I pray, What business so near to my lips had your cheek? If you will put temptation fo pat in one's way, Saints, result if ye can; but for me, I'm too weak.

III.

But come, my fweet Fanny, our quarrel let's end; Nor will I by force what you gave not, retain: By allowing the kifs, I'm for ever your friend-If you fay that I stole it, why take it again. I bloom to he had no seed bloom an arrived set in a solution

TO LOVE.

The Idea fuggested by the second Sonnet of PETRARCH.

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OH! 'tis no triumph to fubdue And mighty conquerors like you Should higher feats, O Love! defign.

No nymph, if moderately fair, But fets my glowing breast on flame: An eye can fill me with despair; A neck-with what I dare not name.

III.

Then why before my ravish'd fight
Present Clorinda's angel-form?
Oh! steel my bosom for the fight, Or the cold maid with paffion warm.

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