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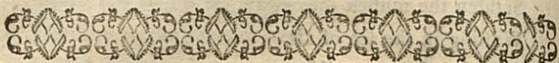
A Collection Of Poems In Six Volumes. By Several Hands

Dodsley, Robert

London, 1758

The Monkeys, a Tale. By the Same.

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The MONKIES, a TALE.

By the Same.

WHOE'ER with curious eye has rang'd
 Thro' Ovid's tales, has seen
 How Jove, incens'd, to monkies chang'd
 A tribe of worthless men.

Repentant soon th' offending race
 Intreat the injur'd pow'r,
 To give them back the human face,
 And reason's aid restore.

Jove, sooth'd at length, his ear inclin'd,
 And granted half their pray'r ;
 But t'other half he bade the wind
 Disperse in empty air.

Scarce had the thund'rer giv'n the nod
 That shook the vaulted skies,
 With haughtier air the creatures strode,
 And stretch'd their dwindled size.

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