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On Bathing. A Sonnet. By the Same.

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Or Evening drove to fold her woolly train;
Her fairest landscapes whence my Muse has drawn,
Too free with servile courtly phrase to fawn,
Too weak to try the Buskin's stately strain;
Yet now no more thy slopes of wood and corn
Nor prospects charm, since He far-distant strays
With whom I trac'd their sweets each eve and morn,
From Albion far, to cull fair Gallia's bays;
In this alone they please, howe'er forlorn,
That still they can recall those happier days.

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On BATHING.

A SONNET.

By the Same.

HEN late the trees were stript by Winter pale,
Fair Health, a Dryad-maid in vesture green,
Rejoyc'd to rove 'mid the bleak sylvan scene,
On airy uplands caught the fragrant gale,
And ere fresh morn the low-couch'd lark did hail
Watching the sound of earliest horn was seen.
But since gay Summer, thron'd in chariot sheen,
Is come to scorch each primrose-sprinkled dale,

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