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A Collection Of Poems In Six Volumes. By Several Hands

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Tre Resignation. By Mr. H****

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To thee, when mould'ring in the dust,
 To thee shall swell the breathing bust :
 Shall here (for this reward thy merits claim)
 " Stand next in place to *Newton*, as in fame."

True RESIGNATION.

Æquam memento rebus in arduis

Servare mentem.

HORAT.

By Mr. H * * * *

WHEN Colin's good dame, who long held him a tug,
 And defeated his hopes by the help of the jug,
 Had taken too freely the chearuping cup,
 And repeated the dose till it laid her quite up ;
 Colin sent for the doctor : with sorrowful face
 He gave him his fee, and he told him her case.
 Quoth Galen, I'll do what I can for your wife ;
 But indeed she's so bad, that I fear for her life.
 In counsel there's safety——e'en send for another ;
 For if she shou'd die, folks will make a strange pother,
 And say that I lost her for want of good skill——
 Or of better advice—or, in short, what they will.
 Says Colin, your judgment there's none can dispute ;
 And if physic can cure her—I know yours will do't.
 But if, after all, she shou'd happen to die,
 And they say that you kill'd her—I'll swear 'tis a lye :
 'Tis the husband's chief business, whatever ensue ;
 And whoever finds fault—I'll be shot—if I do.