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VERSES in Praise of Mr. DRYDEN

by Trum set founds, the Dead are rais'd to light, Neverto die; and take to heav'n their flight ; Deck'd in thy Verfe, as clad with Rays they fhine, All gloufied, immortal, and divine. As Britain, in rich Soil abounding wide, Furnish'd for use, for luxury, and pride, Yet foreads her wanton fails on ev'ry fhore For foreign wealth, infatiate ftill of more; To her own Wool the Silks of Afia joins, And to her plenteous harvefts India's Mines : So DRYDEN, not contented with the Fame Of his own works, tho' an immortal name, To lands remote fends forth his learned Mufe, The nobleft Seeds of foreign wit to choose : Feaffing our Senfe fo many various ways, Say, is't thy bounty, or thy thirft of Praife ? That by comparing others, all might fee, Who most excel, are yet excell'd by thee.

TO Mr. DRYDEN. By Mr. Jo. ADDISON.

O W long, Great Poet, fhall thy Sacred Lays Provoke our Wonder, and transfeend our Praise! Can neither Injuries of Time, or Age, Damp thy Poetick Heat, and quench thy Rage? Not fo thy Ovid in his Exile wrote; Grief chill'd his Breaft, and check'd his rifing Thought; Penfive and fad, his drooping Muse betrays The Roman Genius in its laft Decays.

Prevailing Warmth has fill thy Mind poffeft, And fecond Youth is kindled in thy Breaft. Thou mak'ft the Beauties of the *Romans* known, And *England* boafts of Riches not her own :

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