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INSCRIPTION

FOR THE FRONT OF SINGLETON ABBEY *.

TO MISS MALTHUS'S+,

THE BELOVED, THE RESPECTED FRIENDS

OF HIS EARLY YOUTH.

KNOW, Trav'ller, in this fweet, sequester'd cell,

No weeping maids, no slighted virgins dwell;

Within these walls are found a vestal train,

The loveliest maids that e'er adorn'd the plain;

- * This name was chosen by Mr. B.
- * Several very beautiful accomplished young ladies, and some with highly cultivated minds. The eldest of them very little turned of twenty-two years, used to declare that they would not wait to be decided by the gentlemen as old maids, if any GENTLEMAN can give such names. That they would prepare some fine old abbey, join their fortunes, and there reside, excluding all men whatever, before the time arrived that English, not Irish, gentlemen usually leave off their attentions to the ladies. In bare justice to Irishmen, of fashion, it must be said, their politeness is as perfect to the matron of sixty as to the nymph of sixteen: they are

Nor yet esteem this pile a specious tomb,

Where beauty pines in never-ending gloom;

No mattins here disturb the morning sleep,

No lovelorn maids forsake their couch to weep;

Along these walls no gloomy torches burn,

Nor sad disclose where rests some mould'ring urn;

Before no sculptur'd faints they prostrate weep,

Nor at their shrines the midnight vigil keep;

Here dwell the Graces three, the Sisters nine,

And them alone these maidens deem divine;

too correctly well-bred to talk nonfense to a dowager, or a matron. Mr. B. declared that it would be impracticable to exclude ALL gentlemen; that they must have a receiver of their rents, &c. and that he insisted on having that office. A very elegant amiable young gentleman, educating for the church, and of which he is now an ornament, being a most excellent parish minister, the Reverend H. R. Master of Arts, assured them that they must have a chaplain. These two favoured youths were therefore to be admitted. Mr. B. said, "If they would retire, it should not be into obscurity, for that he would write an inscription, and fix it up in large gold letters." The idea occasioned much innocent mirth. Most of the sixteen are happily married. It is the fault of the remainder that they are still fit for Singleton Abbey.

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Wathen thefe walls are found a vertial train.

By fancy led, they fought these pleasing shades,
And are what vulgar mortals call Old Maids;
Yet many a native charm they still possess,
Unborrow'd from the gaudy art of dress;
Still on each cheek the bloom of youth appears,
And prudence is their only proof of years.

The Conquerer found the lineal praise ancestor of this truly respectable, one country worthy amisble simily leaved at Medicre at . The present theorem is Crimston about ten years ago, and on mast Grimston rebuilt the house feveral days, when the poor and the distressed, finishing it kept onen house feveral days, when the poor and the distressed, ever abjects of the peculiar case of this axis clear family, were must nobly remembered indeed. On the first day of the gale, after dinner, Mr. Grinashon wrote to town an order to liberate finite Way to an oldest a headed villain, who had destructed that of a very large from daying to me out a head header, and the poor wreath .—— wieted as he is, in a few gate, "The letter viction by the coor wreath .—— wieted as he is, in a fewgete "The letter viction by they are the grant higher of the equals for the writer of this mote, but they are the grant higher of the equals for the grant product of the late worthy for the content of the mote of the true worth, the content of the mother of the late worth for the day the flowing gale. A drawy proof of this individed Solomon, "in the way he fittened go." A drawy proof of this individed Solomon, "in the way he fittened go." A drawy proof of this individed

LAOUS'D within the cowflip's bell.

As the fimple milk maids tell;