

A FRAGMENT.

By the Same.

When recent in the womb I lay,
Ere yet my life began,
Thy care preferv'd the sleeping clay,
And form'd it into man.

Oh! may this frame, that rifing grew
Beneath thy plastic hands,
Be studious ever to pursue
Whate'er thy will commands.

The foul that moves this earthly load
Thy femblance let it bear;
Nor lose the traces of the God,
Who stamp'd his image there.