

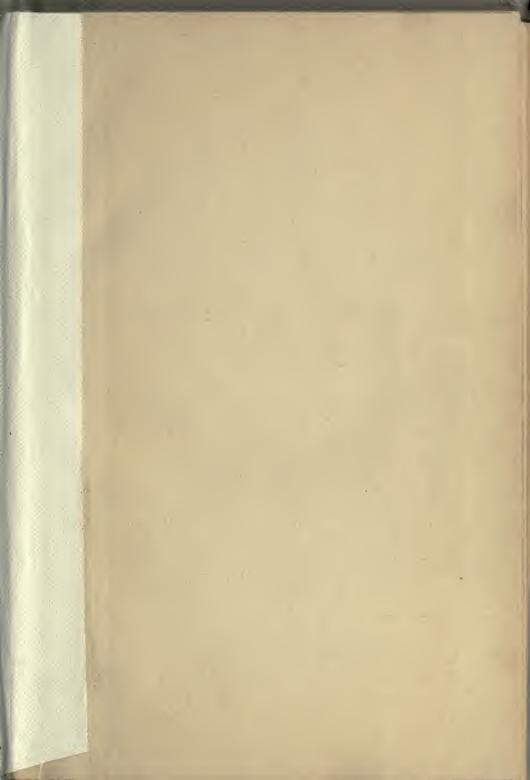
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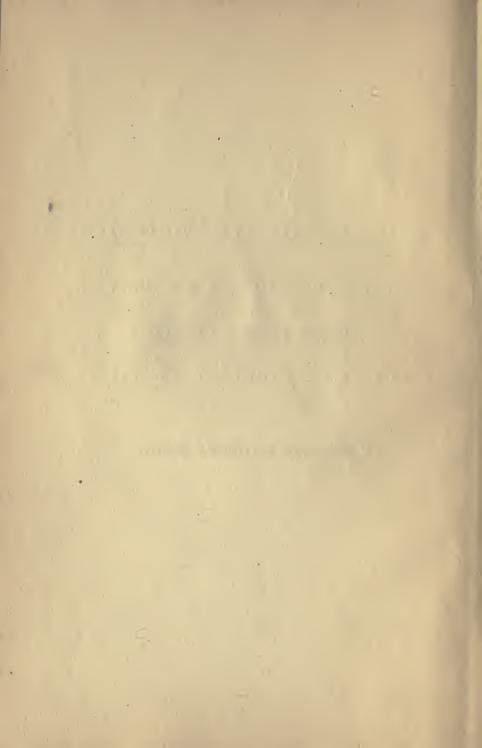
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TO MRS. ROBINSON.

MADAM,

PERMIT a Sifter of the Cyprian Circle to lay the following Bagatelle at your feet: you are unquestionably the first favourite of Venus, and not the meanest in the Muses' train. These two envied distinctions induced me to claim your patronage, which I am certain of obtaining before you get to the finis of my delectable Tale. I have followed Nature throughout, and the language of the Lecture of Madame Birchini is fuch, you will allow, as is in general use among the Sifterhood.-My Publisher made many objections to his being concerned in it; talked of its tendency, his own delicacy, and a number of what would be thought, by fome, FORCIBLE reasons: every one of which I set aside by taking up two Publications which lay in his window for fale,-Here, my good Sir, is the CRAZY TALES, and here is its twin Brother, entitled MORAL TALES:-the first rublished

TO MRS. ROBINSON.

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I am, Madam,

Your affectionate Sifter,

E. COXE.

Madam Birchini's Dance.

A PEER (no matter of what place)

Married a buxom Lass, eighteen;

An Eye, a Smile, an Angel's face:

Such a sweet Charmer ne'er was seen!

His Lordship was but thirty-two, But yet he could not pay the due And forfeit of the Bond he'd fign'd— Which discomposed the Lady's mind!

'Fore Marriage, it was whisper'd round
What feats in arms he had achiev'd:
No Monk in Europe could be found
Of greater Prowess, all believ'd!
A Pudding in a Pot is no bad thing:
But what is it without a taste?
And what's a Marriage and a Ring
Without a Nuptial Feast?

The first lov'd Stage the Couple went
Was passing sweet, it was confest!
But, to the Bride's astonishment,
His Lordship's Nag lay down to rest!
Bless me, says she,
How can this be?
For in the Lady's head there ran a notion,
That wedded Bliss is in perpetual motion!

His Lordship gave a kifs, and felt that part
That gives fresh vigour to the heart!
But no kind Sympathy appear'd—
All was compos'd and still!
The Lady sigh'd, the coast was clear'd,
She sigh'd to have her fill.

A Month pass'd on—still the same Fare,
And that was regularly given:

I've heard some Ladies since declare,
Each one of them would think it Heaven!

But she, as wanton as Miss Brown,
Would sain ride Post three Stages more:
She heard most Gentlemen in Town
Could boast an inexhausted store!

After much deep deliberation,

The Lady turn'd her thoughts to France,
The lovelieft fpot in the creation,

To give new motions to her Dance:
For fhe had heard and read of Capers,
Perform'd there with Ma'moifelles;
And all the lively Paris papers

Mention these Sports among themselves!

To Paris inftantly they went,

Both quite delighted with the jaunt,

Regardless of the Money spent—

So that the Peer return'd gallant!

The Lady cast her Eyes about

In every Public Place, to find

One of these knowing Ladies out,

To whom she might disclose her mind!

At length, angelic Ma'am Birchini,
The Charmer of the Op'ra Beaux—
A lovelier woman than Sestini,
Ev'n without her Op'ra Clothes,—
Engaged her Ladyship's attention,
And to this Lady did she mention,

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When they were thick in fome few days,
The whole of her diffreffing Cafe;
And begg'd that fhe would take her place,
And make his Lordship dance the Hays!

Madame Birchini shew'd surprise—
What! once—no more?
My Life on't, you shall see him rise
As oft as you shall cry encore!
Between the Ladies 'twas agreed
That she should instantly proceed.

Madame Birchini had a face—
A face that Reynolds' felf might charm!
A form poffeffing ev'ry grace!
With fuch a lovely hand and arm!
And Breafts as plump and white as fnow!
With Eyes that darted burning rays!
That ev'ry heart was in a glow,
Who faw her once, to fing her praife!
Her Actions were fuperior ftill,
Poffeffing ev'ry Art to pleafe:
She'd Words, Looks, Smiles, and Tricks at will—
And all to give her Lovers eafe!

But, Reader, ten to one, you've feen,
With raptur'd eyes and beating heart,
Baccelli, the fweet Op'ra Queen,
Whose ev'ry smile's a Cupid's dart!
And, ten to one, across her knee
(While her sweet dancing fir'd your blood),
You fancied, with ecstatic glee
You caper'd, roaring you'd be good!

O, lovely woman! his the joy
Who tastes thy bunch of birchen twigs:
No bold ungovernable boy,
With his Mamma, e'er danc'd such jigs!

O, lovely woman! whose sweet hand,
With ev'ry touch, can fire the soul;
Or, with a Rod, and free command,
Make Pego reach the distant goal!

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O, happy youth! who that hand feels
Stripping each day thy tingling bum;
Who makes thee caper with thy heels,
While each stroke echoes through the room!

Such was Birchini, fuch her charms,
Charms worth all your adoration;
Once circled in her glowing arms,
You'd idolize the Gallic nation!

His Lordship now shall ope the Ball,
With his new Partner, Madame B.;
Venus, the Loves, and Graces all,
Must straight attend the Jubilee!

Madame Birchini, fine as a Queen!

From Top to Toe in brilliance dreft,

Meets the gay Lord behind the Screen,

With rapture burning in his breaft!

The Lady's motions were divine!

His Lordship never found such pleasure,

This—this—my Lord's a perfect sign

Of captivating beyond measure!

At length the Dance is over—
And now they rife from Clover—
After a kifs, and fome fweet Prattle,
They both prepare again for Battle:—

Again prefents her Magic hand:

Her Partner droops, he feems as flain
And will not rife at her command!

My Lord, is this your common way?

Or has it happen'd thro' excefs?

I never faw a fpark fo gay

When at the fummit of his Blifs!

Perhaps two Dances the fame Night
Pall upon your Appetite!

His Lordship straight confess'd the fact—Indeed! fays she—I'll make him act:
Commit yourself to my correction,
And you shall carry the Election;
My Life on't, you shall gain the Borough,
With ten good votes before to-morrow!

Not long ago, I knew a Friar,
Whose soul posses'd uncommon fire;
A perfect stripling as to vigour:
In Venus' rites he used such rigour,
That he has run six Dances down,
And, smiling, called 'em a Green Gown!

Whene'er

Whene'er he found his vigour fail,

At my Command he'd grow fo ftout,

Another and another Bout

Succeeded, ere he'd clinch the nail!

Now, my good Lord, what will you stake,

That I ha'nt got it in my power

To make you now as great a Rake,

At least within an hour?

What! a Bank Note! for Fifty pound!

'Tis done! and now submit to me,

And we will dance Love's pleasing round,

And crown it with selicity!

The Lady from her Toilet bring.

A rod about the common fize:

Not like to that of Tyrant Kings—

But that that makes a fchool-boy wife!

His Lordship star'd; the Lady smiled:
My Lord, you now must act a Child;
And I your Step-mamma will be—
And whip you with Severity!

The Peer by no means lik'd the Fun;
Howe'er, she let his breeches down—
He seized her hand—My Dear, I vow
I seel all o'er, I can't tell how!
Come, come, says she, 'tis not a Farce,
You'll quickly find,
When I have whipt your A—e
To my mind!
You'll be as lively in the Dance
As the most vig'rous Monk in France!

Philofophers, who've study'd Nature,
And all our holy Fathers, swear
A Rod's the best invigorator—
A Rod apply'd upon the Rear!
I've tried its efficacy oft,
Administered by various hands—
Not too severe, nor yet too soft,
But just as pleasure's pulse commands!
You see! you see! I told you true—
This minute you could run the Dance;
The Prospect opens full in view,
As bold as any throughout France!

Well, but, my dear, the Peer replied,
Why ply a rod on my backfide?
Would not your hand's electric touch,
Rubb'd up and down, effect as much?
Why tuck my fhirt above my middle?
My Lord, I'll foon explain the riddle—
I love full play at a Bumfiddle!

Women, the wife Montaigne protefts,
And lively Montaigne feldom jefts,
Are deeper fkill'd in am'rous fports
Than men, tho' bred in Cupid's courts:
Can give to man, by magic pow'r,
New rapture each returning hour!

When I lay on, my Lord, cry out,
And beg Forgiveness for your crimes;
And, tho' you kick and plunge about,
I'll keep in Tune with the Church-chimes!
And beg to kiss your Mamma's hand,
Your pleasure will be double sweet!
And kiss the Rod at her Command:
These little tricks enrich the treat!

And oft implore your fweet Mamma To spare your A-e, and kiss her lips: Your Blifs is great—your Pain a straw— You'll never heed how hard fhe whips! And often turn your head about, To view the strokes as they are falling— Just like a Child who makes a rout, And keeps continually bawling! And gaze with rapture o'er my Charms While the fweet Combat lasts between us-My Drefs, Face, Person, Hands, and Arms, And fancy you are whipt by Venus! Or, if the Goddess will not do, Think of your fav'rite little Jewess; Or that fam'd Queen at Fountainbleau, Sweet Madame Barre, whipping Louis!*

^{*} This is an undoubted fact: and it was by administering this Pleasure (studying a new mode almost every time) that she obtained that powerful ascendancy over Louis that puzzled every one. There has been an anecdote recorded, but very erroneous of Madame de Rozen, a young lady of great beauty, and the Countess du Barre. This young Lady was very intimate with the Countess; but the Countess de Provence, to whom she was Lady of Honour, reproaching her with the connexion, she became of a sudden cool and distant. Du Barre was sensible of the alteration, and mentioned it, with some refentment, to the King—who humorously observed that she was a child, and ought

And often put your Hand behind
To fave your A—e, which I'll remove:
The fweet contention, you will find,
Will heighten the repast of Love!
Come, Sir, lie down across my knee,
And let me whip your naughty bum;
A thousand times I've wish'd to see
Your saucy A—e in my own room!
I feel your Lordship a great weight.
And that would interrupt our bliss:
I'll find you a much better seat—
My Love extend yourself on this:

to be whipt. The Countess was resolved to understand this reply in its literal meaning; and, knowing the King's favourite passion, invited the Marchioness to come next morning to breakfast with her. When she came, she was conducted into a chamber, where the King was concealed by Du Barre in fuch a manner that he could have a good view. As foon as fhe entered, four waiting women took hold of her and threw her on a bed; two of them held her down, while one held up her clothes, and the other gave her the discipline of the rod. Rozen complained to his Majesty, who turned it off with a smile. Though the King was very fond of this pleafure, which the Countefs, perfonating various characters, administered-such as a severe Step-mother, a Lady's-maid, a Governess, a Favourite Opera Dancer, &c .- yet she has been heard to say the amorous Monarch was a most excellent companion in a sentimental thie-a-thie, and always gave her the highest felicity.

A certain Nobleman at Court Gave me this Mattress hung on springs (He's fond of this delightful fport), And gave me these two diamond rings! His Governess, a buxom dame. Kindled within him this new flame! The rod, he faid, she often ply'd With rigour on his bold backfide! Which gave his Step-mamma much joy, She thought him fuch a stupid boy. And stupid he was bent to be, It gave him fuch felicity! All kinds of mischief for this treat He practis'd early, practis'd late; Abus'd his fifter, box'd his brother, To get a whipping from his mother. But what he deem'd his first delight, Was to be whipt by her at night: He made his night crimes worse and worse, Feeling, with her, no mercy on his A-e! No Step-dame hated more a fon, Nor joy'd to pull his breeches down; For ftaying out of bed too late He often got this charming treat;

But oft'ner for abusive clack She hors'd him on her woman's back: Bursting with rage, as Tygress strong, She'd pull him out of bed along! Then, my dear Lord, he tafted blifs— She gave him first the rod to kiss; Then, feigning forrow, fhrieks, and cries, And aching heart, and streaming eyes, On bended knees he kifs'd her feet. Tho' panting for her raptur'd treat! She made him mount upon her maid, Who prov'd, he faid, a ftrong back'd jade! Who laugh'd at struggling, plunging, kicking And felt delighted at the whipping! Plac'd to her mind, her beauteous hand Grasp'd the fell birch, and took her stand: Remov'd his shirt-tail 'bove his middle. And view'd with rapture his bumfiddle! Then rag'd the rod o'er Lis backfide; And, tho' enraptur'd with the ride, He still implor'd his sweet Mamma, And roar'd in vain for his Papa! The birchen-twigs fhe still kept plying, Heedless of roaring and of crying!

His promises she did not mind, She deem'd 'era nothing more than wind, Nor stopp'd 'till a receipt in full she left behind! And that receipt, I've heard him fay, She oft' times gave him twice a-day. But what, my Lord, you'll think uncommon-He doated on this cruel woman! Her vixen temper was his pride, To that he ow'd each pleafant ride: But her majestic form and face, Possessing each bewitching grace; Her finely moulded hand and arm, And magic eye first work'd the charm! This charm, with tears, he laid in dust, And oft I've read upon her buft (A tribute that may make you laugh), His praifes in an Epitaph.

Epitaph on the Comtesse of Flayarsi.

O Buft belov'd, whose heav'nly face Reminds me of each charming grace, That kindled in my breast a fire, That not till death will e'er expire!

Dear

Dear boys, whose bums e'er felt a birch, Revere thro' life that facred church Where she's entomb'd-whose magic hand Oft held fweet Cupid's birchen wand: Not held it as some do to fright ye, But whip ye with it, and delight ye! At her, if you but cast a frown, With pride fhe'd pull your breeches down; And then extend you on her knee, And whip you with the highest glee! But if your strength was more than common, She'd have you hors'd upon her woman: On that stout horse she'd make you ride, 'Till she had flay'd your bold backside! Not flay it, as fome mothers do, With reprimands, and stripes a few: No-she'd convince you your posteriors Were never whipt by her fuperiors! And tho' she made you roar and prance, You'd fay no Step-mamma in France (If you but turn'd your head to view her) E'er boasted charms superior to her! To look at her majestic figure Would make you caper with more vigour!

The lightning flashing from each eye Would lift your foul to ecftafy! Her milk-white fleshy hand and arm, That ev'n an Anchorite would charm, Now tucking in your shirt-tail high, Now imacking hard each plunging thigh, And those twin orbs that near 'em lye! Then to behold her di'mond rings, Ev'n them you'd find delightful things! But, above all, you'd love that other That told you she was your Step-mother! Then handing you the rod to kifs, 'She'd make you thank her for the blifs: No female Busby then you'd find, E'er whipt you half fo well behind! Her lovely face, where beauty fmil'd, Now frowning, and now feeming wild; Her bubbies o'er their bound'ry broke. Quick palpitating at each stroke: With vigour o'er the bouncing bum She'd te l'ungovern'd boys who rul'd at home!

I've often fill'd this Lady's place, Possessing such a form and face; And as to all the rest, my Lord, If you will take a woman's word, This Peer did oft protest and vow He found me-what you'll find me now. On this fine Mattress now lie down: Come, Sir, don't whimper, cry, or frown: I've whipt a number here upon it— You'll find it pleafant, I dare fay! Come, my fweet love, I'll stretch you on it— And now we'll enter on our play. But e'er I feize the Rod to whip, Your Shirt and Breeches I'll remove. You'll feel fuch rapture while I strip: A rapture only known to Love! All men delight to feel a Hand As velvet foft on their b--: And there's no Lady in the Land, In this Amusement takes such pride! Well, as I live, charming Posteriors! So white! fo plump! fo very fine! The race of man is your inferiors: Superior e'en to Friar Chine!

And this bold A—e was never whipt—
But it shall feel your Step-mamma!
'Tis now from top to bottom stript,
'At the desire of your Papa.

Naked, this Morn, I took your Brother,
And whipt him well across my knee:
And now I'll give you such another—
Both A—s shall remember me!
At ev'ry stroke I gave his B—
How the young Gentleman would prance:
He'll not forget the time to come,
His sweet Mamma Birchini's dance
This charming Rod I made for you,
I ne'er held twigs of Birch so neat:
I thought you'd like it better new,
For your Mamma's angelic treat!

Ah! dear Mamma, ah! as I live,
I'll ne'er be bold if you'll forgive:
Oh murder! oh, good God! oh dear!
Oh! fweet Mamma, oh, pray, forbear!
Oh dear! oh, I'll die! oh, good God!
Mamma! Mamma! oh, shocking rod!

Come, you young Raical, leave off crying—
I'll whip you while the Rod will laft:
I will! I will! you're always lying—
I'll whip you for all offences paft!
Plunge and caper! roar and cry!
I have you now within my power!
No kind protector now is nigh;
Thro' Life I'll make you bleis this hour!
And bleis this hand that holds the rod;
And kiis it with a fervour fweet;
And think yourfelf a Demi-god,
While tasting the delicious treat!

Oh Lord! don't whip fo hard, pray don't! I can't bear it! indeed, Mamma, I can't!

I told you, if I once begun,
I'd be fevere at ev'ry ftroke!
You fmil'd, and thought it only fun—
Your A—e now feels it is no joke!

Oh, dear Mamma! oh, 'pon my word!
I'll ne'er be bold! O Lord! O Lord!

Keep down your legs; let go my han!;

Let! let your Breeches remain down!

This efficacious reprimand

Shall make you the best Boy in Town!

I will be good! I will, Mamma!
I'll ne'er offend you or Papa!

Will you, whenever you do wrong,

Come here to me, and beg a whipping?

I know it won't be very long,

Before you're caught again a tripping.

Oh pray, Mamma! pray let me down! You'll find me the best Boy in Town:
I'll never, while I live, offend—
I promise you you'll find me mend!

I told you ere I'd been an hour
Your Step-mamma, what I would do!
And now, I have you in my power,
This A—e your infolence shall rue!

There's

There's nothing gives me fo much pride,
Than fuch amufement with a Youth!
To whip, whip, whip his bold backfide:
When he tells lies instead of truth!
To see him caper as I whip!
And his bare A—e expos'd to view!
And ev'ry day to make him strip,
And taste the rod when bold like you.

Oh dear! oh, lovely, fweet Mamma! I'll ne'er offend you or Papa!

Ay, cry and roar! and beg and pray
Your fweet Mamma may let you down!
'Twill not avail—I'll whip away:
This shall be the best whipt A—e in Town!
Aye, do, Sir, turn yourself about,
Just like a faucy beast in clover!
You'll quickly find me pretty stout,
To turn your naughty B—e over!
How dare you pull your Breeches up?
With others it may save your A—e;
But you shall find, before I stop,
Such tricks with me are all a farce!

Now, Sir, I'll tie your hands behind-And then I'll pull your Breeches off; And, then, my pretty youth, you'll find I'll flay you're A-e like Madame Bufi! This garter many hands has tied, And bound as fast as yours are now-To fave this trouble, you shall ride The next time on my maid, Ladow: A ftrong-back'd wench, who takes delight In horfing naughty boys and girls! I whipt upon her back last night A French Duke, and two English Earls: The first of which, with frock and fash, I dreft just like a full-grown Miss; Then gave him many a vig'rous lash, For giving footman John a kis! I taught this fancied Miss a dance-I made him caper to the ceiling: He fwore no Ma'amoifelle in France Convinc'd him more that he had feeling! And you shall feel, before I've done, What I can do with rod in hand; I never had so bold a fon-I'll whip your A-e while I can stand!

I've thrown your Breeches now aside:
Your half-whipt bum, tho' seeming fore,
With all the glowing prospect wide,
Pants for a vigorous encore!
Here, kiss the Rod, you wicked Elf;
And kiss this lovely Hand and Arm!
I'll have you often by myself,
And this bold A—e I'll often warm!

Try me this once, Mamma, pray do,
And I will love and worship you!
Mamma! Mamma! oh dear! oh Lord!
Oh! I'll be good, upon my word!

Ha! ha! my pretty youth, I fee,
A Rod well ply'd upon your bum,
A Rod with vigour ply'd by me,
Will make you good fome time to come!
Yes, my bold youth, 'till birch is fcarce,
Green twigs each day shall flay your A—e!
Yes, yes! you fee you've not a chance,
While I the Birchen Sceptre hold,
To get from this delightful dance,
That cures a youth of being bold!

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Oh, my backfide! oh dear! the Rod! Oh! I'll expire! Mamma! oh God!

You tell me you'll be very good, And ne'er provoke me while you live: This Rod the next time shall draw blood! Without your doating father's leave. I ne'er held fuch a Rod before, Nor whipt fo well an Urchin's A-e! You feem to feel it pretty fore: You thought a whipping a mere farce! But now your Step-mamma you find, Can whip your A-e extremely well! You'll always find me in the mind, To feize the Rod when you rebel! There, get you down, you naughty Boy: What, Sirrah, do you point your lance? My Lord, I wish your Lordship joy-And now we'll take a fecond Dance!

This Dance was better than the first:

It tickled me from top to toe:

The flood-gates of delight were burst!

Another!—fine!—bravissimo!

Nay, as the ftory runs, 'tis faid— That Night upon his Lady's bed, He caper'd till the dawn of day—

On and off,
With little eafe,
About that space
'Tween acts of Plays-And rose as vigorous as May!

The Peeress was transported quite:
She never had so sweet a night!
She gave her Lord a magic kiss,
And thank'd him for th' excess of bliss!

That Night the Peer renew'd the Dance—
I mean the Dance with Madame B.:
No happy Lovers in Romance,
E'er tasted more felicity.

The Lady, too, on his return,

Felt all the raptures of the blefs'd!

And now fhe wish'd him to sojourn

With her alone within her nest.

Next day to Madame B. she hies,

The charming secret to discover:

She wish'd in this to be as wise—

And gave a heavy purse to move her!

Madame Birchini's raptur'd eyes
Survey'd the Lady's bright reward:
And inftantly, to her furprife,
She shew'd what fir'd her charming Lord!
And taught her all her mystic sports;
Her lectures, tricks, and pretty ways,
She learn'd in Convents and in Courts—
For which she always got the bays!

To prove what I advance, faid fhe,
My Pupil will be here at two,
And you the whole affair fhall fee,
While standing in that room perdu!

His Lordship, punctual to his time,
Arriv'd, and went thro' all his bliss:
He danc'd like Q—nf—y in his prime—
And clos'd it with a raptur'd kiss!

The Peeress, when her Lord withdrew. Retir'd to con her Lecture o'er: The whole affair to her was new. Tho' she had heard of it before. She was as docile as you pleafe, And lovelier far than Madame B.— And now she studied the same ways, To give her Lord felicity! She had a most lascivious Eye: An Air, a Shade, a Hand and Arm. A Leg and Foot! that who came nigh, Always difcover'd fome new charm! The implement of blifs she got, To whip her Dog, her Maid believ'd. Whene'er she found him piping-hot After a Bitch, or when he thiev'd! And having studied all the pranks She faw fweet Madame B. difplay, For which she got repeated thanks Before her face that very day.

When she had got the Peer in Bed,
She told him she had read a Book,
So comical and droll, she faid—
And then she gave him an arch look:

A Book, fays she, and slapt his A-e, And gave him a delicious kiss! I'm sensible 'tis not a Farce-It should be call'd the road to blis: It is the drollest Book, says she (And flapt and kifs'd at ev'ry word)-My Love, 'twill give you monstrous glee! It will, indeed, my darling Lord! To-morrow Morn, we'll run it o'er; Meantime, suppose we take a Dance-You ne'er was so alert before. I mean before we came to France. His Lordship ran the Dance with ease: She rubb'd and flapt him oft behind; She found he liked her pretty ways, Which witching Venus' felf combin'd. After three Dances just us fweet, They both embrac'd, and turn'd to rest: His Lordship pond'ring on the treat; The Lady, happy as the bleft!

Next day, at Madame B.'s request,
The lovely charmer soon appears
Before her Lord, divinely drest—
Who seem'd the happiest of Peers.

And now the fecret she displays,
Exhibits all that she acquir'd,
Those tricks and sweet bewitching ways,
She knew her Lord so much admir'd:
His Lordship kis'd her o'er and o'er,
And instantly led off the Dance—
He vow'd he never was before
So raptur'd since he came to France!
His Afternoonings now were given,
To her that gave him most delight;
His ecstacy before was Heav'n,
With all her pretty tricks at night!

And now they are the happiest pair

That sport upon the seat of bliss—

Whether a Bed, a Couch, or Chair,

They oft repeat the glowing kiss:

And often bless the Happy Day

That Venus led 'em such a Dance:

And when with age they both are grey,

They'll often bless the sports of France!

END OF THE DANCE.

ANECDOTES.

BY

LADY TERMAGANT FLAYBUM, &c.

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A YOUNG Nobleman, who now cuts a diftinguished figure in the gallant world, was so smitten with Lady B. T. the first time he beheld her at the opera, that he ran out in unbounded praise on her vivacity, beauty, and bewitching charms, to his mistress that evening. This Lady was deep skilled in the pleasures of the rod, and, knowing his passion for it, she told him if he would step into her bedchamber for half-an-hour, she would then wait on him, and represent her ladyship, and deliver a lecture she would then fit down to write, which she was certain would please him highly. This lecture his lordship was so delighted with, that he gave her two hundred guineas for it, and is, to this hour, passionately fond of hearing it delivered by the same lady, who he fancies the whole time the identical Lady B. T.

Enters with Surprise.

SO! fo! this is very pretty doings, out of bed this time of night!

Do you remember, Sir, what I told you before I went to the opera? Didn't I tell you I would whip you well, if I caught you out of bed, when I returned? Yes, mamma, but I'll never do it again, 'pon my honour. I'll take care, Sir, you shall not. Go, bring the rod I whipt your fifter with this morning from my toilet: bring it this instant, Sir! (stamps with her foot on the ground in a passion.) Put it in my hand, and go on your knees, and beg that I may pull down your breeches and whip you fmartly with it. Go down upon your knees this moment! Now, put up your hands and fay-Pray, my dear mamma.-" Pray, my dear mamma." Whip me well with that excellent rod.-"Whip me well with that excellent rod." For I have been a very bold boy.- "For I have been a very bold boy."

boy." And deferve to be whipt well.—" And deferve to be whipt well." Which I know you, my fweet mamma, take a delight in.—"Which I know you, my fweet mamma, take a delight in." When you have a bold boy's a-e exposed to the lash of the rod.-"When you have a bold boy's a-e exposed to the lash of the rod." I never knew what a good whipping was 'till you married my papa.-"I never knew what a good whipping was 'till you married my papa." And now, my fweet mamma.—" And now, my fweet mamma." Lay me across your knee, and whip me feverely for being out of bed this time of night. Say it, Sir, this moment. I can't, indeed, my dear mamma. Get up, Sir, till I let down your breeches-for down I will pull them to your heels. Yes, you fee you have no chance of getting off this time: no aunt to fave you. You fee I have got them down, and have placed you across my knee to my wish, and I am determined to make an excellent use of the rod. Yes. yes, yes, yes, yes, yes! you shall find you were never fo well whipt in your life! Oh, my charming mamma. I'll never be out of bed at this hour again—I won't. upon my honour! I have been told you are very good at promifes; but I am determined you shall feel

my refentment while I have strength to handle a rod. Yes, yes, yes, you audacious young rafcal! Oh dear! oh heaven! mamma! mamma! mamma! mamma! Oh! I shall expire! No, no, no, no, you won't expire! Your doating mother and ridiculous aunt never knew the efficacy of a well-handled birch: but I told you a day or two after I married your papa that I would flay you alive the first time you disobliged me! Oh dear, I remember, I do, indeed. Upon my honour, my darling mamma, I'll be good! Oh dear! good heaven! Oh, I shall faint-I shall die! No, no, no, no, no, these charming twigs of birch will be of fervice to you! I know you'd rather let me whip you than any one in the house. No, mamma, I don't like to be whipt-I don't, indeed! I never was whipt but by you! Oh dear! oh God! Oh, let me down! let me down, my lovely charming mamma! I thought your aunt told you I was terrible when I took the rod in hand. She did fo, mamma! Oh dear-for mercy's fake, let me down! I'll take care never to provoke you to take the rod in hand again. I will, indeed, my charming, my dear, my angelic mamma! Well, Sir, I'll see how you behave; but remember, the next time you provoke me, instead of leaving

heaving your backfide as it is now, I'll whip you 'till the blood runs to your heels! I'll make you feel the difference between a doating mother and an enraged ftep-mother.

Come, my pretty youth, stand on a chair, and look at your backside in the glass: turn your head about and look at it. See what a condition I've lest it in! You now see we : I can do when provoked. Yes, mamma; but I'll never offend you again; and if I had known you could act with such severity with a rod, be assured I would not exasperate you. Well, well, Sir, I'll see how you behave; but remember what you are to expect for the first offence: I promise you I will have a good rod in readiness.

It has been a general opinion, that age and the middle state of man has been most prone to this whim or passion, but the assertion is false, which every woman in the secret will testify, and which the following anecdote is a striking instance of:—

A youth of twelve years old, the fon of a gentleman of extensive fortune, was so fond of being whipped by a woman of his choice, that the pocket-money he was allowed by a very indulgent mother, which was confiderable, was principally fquandered in this way. His nurse, who had set up a cheesemonger's shop, was early acquainted with this passion of the youth, and often herself humoured him; but that which he sighed for now, was to be whipped by a school-mistress. For this he promifed large prefents if she would indulge him, which she easily saw was in her power. To be brief, she found out a school-mistress she imagined would do, who took in evening fcholars. The terms were confiderable, as fhe was to take uncommon pains in his tuition. He was never to mix with the scholars, but to go to school at that period in the evening when they had all retired. The instant he found out that the mistress discovered his weakness, that instant he left her never to return. Everything was to be conducted by his nurse, in such a manner, that his mistress was not to have the most distant idea of the passion. His nurse was to personate his mamma's maid; was to attend him to and from school; and everything wore the appearance of a fcholar in reality. At his first visit he was to determine about the lady, and if she did not hit his fancy he never went again. If the lady

lady had those attractions he desired, his second visit was always crowned with a whipping, which was brought about in the following manner:—

The woman who represented his mother's maid, and who conducted him to school, brought a note to the mistress, dressed in pretty nearly these words—

Madam,

If you expect that I should leave my fon any longer under your tuition, you must whip those pernicious humours out of him, that give me so much uneasiness: he is not only the greatest dunce, but the most impertinent boy living; using ever to me the vilest language, which I am obliged to submit to, as he is too strong for me to manage. This morning he abused me grossly, and I take this method of retaliating, by requesting you will whip him before my maid as severely as his crime merits. I don't desire you should spare the rod, I assure you.

Yours, &c.

P.S.—I forgot to mention he will not eat his bread and butter in the morning without glass windows cut on it.

While

While the mistress was reading this, he watched the motions of her face with the fame pleafure an aftronomer would the transit of Venus; and if he saw signs of anger his blifs was compleat. As foon as the mistress disclosed the contents of the letter to the maid, he flew to the latter for protection; but she shook him off, declaring him the boldest boy in the world, and recommending a good whipping if she expected to meet with her lady's approbation. Then the comedy began. As foon as the mistress laid hold on him, he kicked, plunged, and called her infamous names, to provoke her still more to handle him roughly, which was what he delighted in, for nothing on earth could give him greater pleasure than the endeavour to overpower his mistress; and she that could, with great passion, throw him across her lap, tear his breeches from his a-e, and whip him as fmartly as she could, fecured his affections from that hour.

This woman, who we shall call Mrs. Trimmer, was the widow of a lieutenant in the navy, and was as severe a disciplinarian as ever took a rod in hand. Her figure and carriage were commanding, and there was a grace in her action many degrees above school-mistresses in general; added to this, she had a nose that turned up, which gave her an air of unbounded pride blended with severity. The nurse, who related these particulars to a friend some time after the gentleman's death, declared she never saw a woman so clever at uncasing a pair of posteriors, which, notwithstanding his struggles, she effected in a minute. As the admonition and supplication differ in some measure from others in this way, it will not be amiss to publish them in pretty near the words of the nurse.

never offend my mamma! Oh my a-e! my a-e! Oh, my dear nurse, beg me off! No, no, Sir, I'm desired to fee you well whipped, and I think you never got into fuch excellent hands before. I'll convince him of that, I affure you, before I have done! You won't eat your bread and butter, I understand, till your mamma cuts glass windows on it, my young master: I'll glafs windows you; yes, yes, yes, yes, I'll cut glass windows on your a-e! Nurse! nurse! my dear nurse! I'll never do it again! Oh dear! Oh Lord! Oh, mistress! mistress! forgive me this time! Oh, what shall I do! Oh, let me down! I'll die! Oh mercy! mistress! nurse! nurse! I'll be good! Oh my a-e! my a-e! my a-e! I'll be good, upon my honour, I'll be good! You often told your mamma, when you have been mounted on my back, that you'd be good, but we never perceived any amendment; but now your mamma will have fome hopes: I'll take care to shew her the condition of your a—e when you return home; and I'm fure she'll fend a letter of thanks to your mistress. The young gentleman thought, I dare fwear, there was no one could break him off thofe crimes, but I'll whip this bold backfide of his till I strip every bit of skin from it, or I'll work an amendment in him. Try me this once, my dear mistress! Oh gracious! try me! Oh, I'm killed! let me down! let me down! let me down! nurse! nurse! nurse! You may roar, and cry, and kick, and plunge, and implore, my pretty gentleman, but all will not do; I'll whip you till the blood runs to your heels! You shall feel the tuition of this excellent rod! mistress! mistress! for mercy's sake, don't whip me any more! Oh, I'll expire! I know I will! Oh, my dear nurse, catch hold of the rod! catch hold of the rod, for God's fake! my a-e is all flayed! I feel it is, my dear nurse! Oh, my mamma will never find me disobey her again! Well, Mrs. Trimmer, suppose we try him this time. If you think he has had enough, I'll let him down; but I assure you, if the correction was left to myfelf, I would wear this rod to a stump on his a-e, before I let him down. There, Sir, go to your nurse, and thank her for begging you off; and take care you don't come under my hands again. This is the first whipping I've given you, take care of a fecond.

A foreign gentleman, near Berkeley-square, has an extraordinary passion in this way. His family consists

of four women-fervants, all of different ages-the oldest not above forty. These he is sure to change every two years, pretending to leave off housekeeping. When he discharges them, he retires into the country for fix months, 'till he thinks the girls are provided for, and then he takes a house in another quarter of London, and attends to all the advertisements of women who wish to conduct the affairs of a single gentleman. As foon as he felects from these who wait on him, each girl has her appointment made out, which are as follows: - Nursery-maid, Governess, Housekeeper, and Lady's-maid. As he allows great wages, he requires all the girls to be exceeding neat in their dress, according to their several situations. As foon as he has them in the house, his presents fly thick among them, and he is feldom disappointed in the return he expects. When he wishes for a gentle nurfery whipping, the nurfery maid is infulted by him, or he strips and gets into bed, which he wets in a few minutes after, and for which she whips him smarter than for a bare infult. When his governess whips him, the housekeeper or some other servant must beg him off, which must not be complied with; this must be even done upon her knees. This whipping is of a feverer

feverer kind than that in the nursery, and he is led to it by the lady's-maid, who makes it a request, at the defire of her miftress. When he is whipt by the lady'smaid, the likelieft of the maids must dress to represent a lady of fashion, and she is to command the girl to whip him in her presence. This whipping he enjoys till the blood runs to his heels, and is of a piece with that which he receives from the hands of the housekeeper in her own room. What he calls a great treat, arises from the following offence:-Upon a fignal given by him, the housekeeper, who must be very ferious, rather lufty, with white fleshy hands and arms, and very well dreffed, fancies fome difagreeable fmell in the room. The ladies are all called in, and they immediately think the fame: the gentleman looks very grave upon it, and the housekeeper concludes he has fouled his breeches, which the ladies, with much contempt and abusive language, all agree in. He is immediately stripped to his shirt by the housekeeper, who fancies she beholds the scene in reality. All nofes are turned up on beholding the breeches, and he is laid across the housekeeper's lap, like a child to be cleaned: one lady brings a wet towel, another brings a pan of water to wash him clean, a third brings a dry towel.

towel, with which his backfide is rubbed feveral times. till the lady thinks it clean. At every rub, and during the whole of the operation, the housekeeper expresses her detestation, and lays the fault on the nursery-maid for not whipping fuch an abominable practice out of him. She replies with much warmth, the fault lies in his mamma, who spoilt him, and who will never suffer him to be whipt. The lady's-maid protests she never knew anything fo abominable, and recommends a good whipping by all means, which the governess feconded. That he shall have, faid the housekeeper. though I were to lose my place the next hour. You dirty, filthy, young rafcal, do you think we have nothing elfe to do but to be employed in this manner. cleaning your backfide! fie, for shame! I am determined I won't be employed for nothing, which your a-e shall feel in a minute! Bring me the bundle of birch from my own room! (all this time she keeps cleaning him.) The birch is instantly brought, from which she selects what will form an excellent rod, the ladies the whole time recommending it strongly, with many abusive names. His legs are then held by the ladies, and the housekeeper lays on him without mercy - she lecturing, the women abusing, and he roaring roaring the whole time; and the women are not to cease abusing, and she whipping, till the blood runs to his heels. The nursery-maid then puts a plaister to the fore part, and puts him to bed, where she laments over him, but declares he deserves it, He keeps crying the whole time, and begs the nursery-maid will send the housekeeper to him to make it up, which she, in his hearing, refuses for some time; 'till, by his repeated supplications, she enters, kisses him, takes him in her arms, and lays down beside him; where she meets with a recompence for her extraordinary exertions to please him, and sive guineas when the pleasure subsides.

PARODY of SAPPHO's celebrated ODE.

By Miss C---, a child of eight years of age, but remarkable quick, now at Mrs. D---'s boarding-school. Addressed to the Rod, with which she had just been corrected by her Governess.

Curft as the meanest wretch is she, Th' unlucky girl just whipt by thee, Who sees and feels thy stinging rage, Which nought but time can e'er assuage, 'Tis thou that plagu'ft us ev'ry day,
To shame and smart mak'ft us a prey:
Is ought misdone—straight o'er the knee,
Poor culprits, we are twigg'd by thee.

Thy *shatter'd ends* and shabby plight
Shew e'en thou suffer'st by thy spite:
Judge then, thou ugly *shaggy* thing,
How my poor flesh can bear thy sting.

Guardian Powers, protect me then, Let me ne'er taste fell Birch again; To naughty boys confine thy rage, And not with tender chits engage.

A gentleman of Yorkshire, of this description, from seeing a cottager's widow whip one of her children one morning, in his shirt, with her hand at her cottagedoor, which he observed, though belonging to a poor woman, was, though large, very clear and slessly, took a great liking to the same sport; and knowing his own weight and her poverty he was in no doubt of succeeding. He made her some presents, and gave her a better house the next day in a silent part of his demesse, where none could overhear; to which, when

she had removed, he repaired, and whispered the secret to her. Everything was fettled to their wish; the children were at fchool, the house was still, and he was stripped to his shirt, and capering about the floor, when the woman entered (who personated his mother). She flew at him in a passion, upbraided him with not going to school, and throwing her left arm round him, the removed his thirt, and flapped his a-e with her open hand till it was as red as scarlet. As soon as she was done, she commanded him (agreeable to his defire) to put on his breeches, in the operation of which he called her fome abusive names, which so exasperated her, that she tore a birch broom in pieces, and formed an excellent rod, with which, as foon as fhe had removed his breeches, and laid him across her knee, she whipped him till the blood ran down to his heels.

This fport she continued at times during his life, and for her secrecy he gave her fifty pounds a-year.

The following is a well authenticated fact, and is now pretty well known to many ladies about Rich-

mond.-A young gentleman, about feventeen, fell desperately in love with a beautiful young lady in London, who he met with at a dance. He disclosed his passion to her, and was very well received by her and her relations, a number of whom knew his connexions. A powerful barrier remained to interrupt this union: his father vowed he would cut him off with a shilling if he ever married without a fortune nearly equal to his own, which was very confiderable. The youth begged on his knees that his father would only fee the object of his affection, and he was convinced he would alter his decree. The old gentleman was inexorable, and would not confent to the interview. However, in the course of a week, the lover found means to get his father invited to a dinner in his neighbourhood, where the young lady was to be. He came, and she conquered; but her conquest was the old gentleman himfelf, who alleged his fon was too young to enter into marriage, and instantly offered his own hand and a handfome fettlement. She confulted her lover next day, who, knowing the obstinacy of his father's disposition, advised her by all means to close with it, at the same time avowing his unbounded happiness on the occasion.

A few days prior to the marriage she promised him fhe would do everything in her power to promote his felicity. This gave him the best opportunity of opening his mind to her, declaring she had it in her power to divert another passion connected with that he must now renounce; and as she cannot, without injuring her honour, make him an illicit return for the love she has filled him with, his request is, that she will act the part of a step-mother in all its forms. This she folemnly protested she would do, giving him a kiss at the fame time. Then, faid the enraptured youth, falling on his knees and kiffing her feet, you have made me happier than the bleft. But, faid the lady, what may this other favourite passion of yours be, by diverting which I shall not forfeit my honour? He then, with fome little hesitation, disclosed his passion to her, at the fame time reminding her of a whipping he faw her give a little brother of hers a few days after he became acquainted with her: the very fight of which fo transported him that he was near putting himself in the fituation of the boy and imploring fuch another. The lady fmiled at this, but affured him, fince she promifed to increase his felicity, she would fulfil it in

every fense in her power the instant she became his step-mother.

The morning after marriage his father took a ride a few miles about a little business, which gave the son an opportunity of putting his step-mamma in mind of fulfilling her promise.—He went to her dressing-room, and, in a passionate transport, claimed it on his knees. The lady told him to wait there for her. She inftantly went to the kitchen, and fending the fervants out of the way, she made an excellent rod from the broom, and repaired to her step-son. After locking the door, she put the rod upon a distant table, and approached him with a countenance expressive of the utmost feverity. She then let down his breeches, and made him bring the rod and put it into her hand, and fall on his knees and beg his iweet mamma would give him a fample of what step-manimas treat their fons with the first time they give them offence. She inftantly drew a table near a large looking-glafs, at his defire, that he might view her during the whipping; and having placed the two pillows of a fopha on thetable she made him mount and extended him on it; then tied his hands behind him, drew his breeches down

down to his heels, and tucked his shirt above the small of his back; all which she did deliberately, but at the fame time gave him to understand, by threats, what he was to expect from her hands. When he was placed to her mind, she took the rod in hand, made him kifs it, and put him in mind who he had to deal with-no filly fond mother, who fpared the rod and fpoiled the child, but a step-mother whose greatest pleafure was in flaying a bold boy's a-e. She then gave him ten or a dozen good stripes, made him kiss the rod and thank his step-mother; then whipt him again feverely, using the same intermission and ceremony as at first, and continued whipping him till he told her he had enough, which was the fignal to let him down. About three years after her marriage, this lovely woman buried her old husband, and some time after married a man that reduced her in a short time fo very low, that she was advised to solicit the bounty of her former lover; who, hearing of her diftrefs, was beforehand with her, for he fettled two hundred a-year on her for life.



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