ARION, an ODE. By the Same.

T.

UEEN of each facred found, fweet child of air,
Who fitting thron'd upon the vaulted fky,
Dost catch the notes which undulating fly,
Oft wasted up to thy exalted sphere,
On the soft bosom of each rolling cloud,
Charming thy list'ning ear
With strains that bid the panting lover die;
Or laughing mirth, or tender grief inspire,

Or with full chorus loud

Which lift our holy hope, or fan the hero's fire:

Enchanting Harmony, 'tis thine to cheer

The foul by woe which finks opprest,

From forrow's eye to wipe the tear,

And on the bleeding wound to pour the balmy rest.

II.

'Twas when the winds were roaring loud,
And Ocean swell'd his billows high,
By savage hands condemn'd to die,
Rais'd on the stem the trembling Lesbian stood;
All pale he heard the tempest blow,
As on the watry grave below
He six'd his weeping eye.
Ah! hateful lust of impious gold,
What can thy mighty rage with-hold,
Deaf to the melting powers of Harmony!

But ere the bard unpitied dies,

Again his foothing art he tries,

Again he sweeps the strings,

Slowly sad the notes arise,

While thus in plaintive sounds the sweet musician sings.

III.

From beneath the coral cave Circled with the filver wave, Where with wreaths of emerald crown'd Ye lead the festive dance around, Daughters of Venus, hear, and fave. Ye Tritons, hear, whose blast can fwell With mighty founds the twifted shell; And you, ye fifter Syrens, hear, Ever beauteous, ever fweet, Who lull the lift'ning pilot's ear With magic fong, and foftly breath'd deceit. By all the Gods who subject roll From gushing urns their tribute to the main, By him who bids the winds to roar, By him whose trident shakes the shore, If e'er for you I raise the sacred strain When pious mariners your power adore, Daughters of Nereus, hear and fave.

IV.

He sung, and from the coral cave,
Circled with the silver wave,
With pitying ear
The Nereids hear.

Gently the waters flowing,
The winds now ceas'd their blowing,
In filence listening to his tuneful lay.
Around the bark's sea-beaten side,
The facred dolphin play'd,
And sportive dash'd the briny tide:
The joyous omen soon the bard survey'd,
Nor fear'd with bolder leap to try the watry way.
On his scaly back now riding,
O'er the curling billow gliding,
Again with bold triumphant hand
He bade the notes aspire,
Again to joy attun'd the lyre,
Forgot each danger past, and reach'd secure the land.

HORACE, Book II. Ode II.

Quid bellicosus Cantaber, &c.

Imitated by Lord B-H.-PAUL to FAZ.

T.

Nith idle fears of France or Spain,

Or any thing that's foreign:

What can Bavaria do to us,

What Prussia's monarch, or the Russ,

Or e'en prince Charles of Lorrain?