

LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP.

A PASTORAL.

TWO nymphs to whom the pow'rs of verse belong,
Alike ambitious to excel in song,
With equal sweetmeats sang alternate strains,
And courteous echo told the lift'ning plains;
That of her lover sung, this of her friend,
Ye rural nymphs and village swains attend.

CELIA.

O Love, soft sov'reign, ruler of the heart!
Deep are thy wounds, and pleasing is the smart;
When Strephon smiles the wint'ry fields look gay,
Cold hearts are warm'd, and hard ones melt away.

SYLVIA.

Through ev'ry scene of temp'r'al blifs is there
A greater blessing than a friend sincere?
'Tis Corydon that bears that tender name,
And Sylvia's breast returns the gen'rous flame.

CELIA.

When happy I survey my Strephon's charms,
His beauty holds me faster than his arms,

My

My heart is in a
faint, I die, and
I faint, I die,

And what are all
But certain omens
In friendship we may
It cheers the heart

Surely no lark
To see the morn, a
At his approach all
And ev'ry other joy
O happy I! with
Our joys united do
Our inmost thought
And grief's no long
All that is lovely
But am to all his im
What have I said?
No imperfections can

FRIENDSHIP.
TORAL.

In the pow'rs of verse belong
A soul in song,
Tang alternate strains,
Hold the lift'ning plains;

Thus, this of her friend;
Village swains attend.

ELIA. RING SONG TO
SIGN, ruler of the heart!

And pleasing is the smart;
The wint'ry fields look gay;

And hard ones melt away,

ELIA. RING SONG TO
OF TEMP'R'L BLIS IS THERE

A friend sincere?
A friend tender name,

ARS THAT TENDER NAME,
RETURNS THE GEN'ROUS FLAME.

ELIA. RING SONG TO
MY STREPHON'S CHARM,
HEY MY STREPHON'S ARMS,
FASTER THAN HIS ARMS,

My heart is in a flood of pleasures tos'd,
I faint, I die, and am in raptures lost.

Sylvia. *With file or band*

And what are all these tumults of the heart,
But certain omens of a future smart?
In friendship we more solid comforts find,
It cheers the heart, nor leaves a sting behind.

Celia.

Surely no lark in spring was e'er so glad
To see the morn, as I to see my lad;
At his approach all anxious griefs remove,
And ev'ry other joy gives place to love.

Sylvia.

O happy I! with such a friend to live!
Our joys united double pleasure give;
Our inmost thoughts with freedom we unfold,
And grief's no longer grief, when once 'tis told.

Celia. *With file or band*
All that is lovely in my swain I find,
But am to all his imperfections blind;
What have I said? I surely do him wrong,
No imperfections can to him belong.

Sylvia. *F 2*

SYLVIA.

The faithful friend sees with impartial eyes,
Nor scorns reproof, but speaks without disguise;
Blind to all faults, the eager lover sues,
Friends see aright, and ev'ry fault excuse.

Then Daphne from beneath a hawthorn sprung,
Where she attentive sat to hear the song;
Her breast was conscious of the tender glow,
That faithful friends, in mutual friendship know;
Her tender heart, by love's impulses mov'd,
With ardour beat to sing the swain she lov'd;
With emulation fir'd, the conscious maid
Thus to the fair contending virgins said.

DAPHNE.

Blest Celia, happy in a lover dear;
Blest Sylvia, happy in a friend sincere;
But surely I am doubly blest to find,
At once a friend sincere, and lover kind;
My Thirfis is my friend, my friend I say
And who in love can bear a greater sway
Strephon must his superior power own,
Nor is he less sincere than Corydon.

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As ever
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Was won
One ev'ning
Was peep
And ev'ry h
Sat silent
With dog an
And whistl
To gather up
Was all the
And while he
Where the
A maid more
Came tripp
The sheep no
The nymph
And thus the
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