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TO THE
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WHOSE EXCELLENT EDITIONS OF GRAY
AND OTHER POETS,
AS WELL AS HIS OWN ELEGANT WRITINGS IN VERSE AND PROSE,
HAVE SHEWN HOW JUSTLY HE CAN
APPRECIATE THE LABOURS OF KINDRED GENIUS,
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After an interval of many years I venture to lay before the public a seventh volume of "The Literary Illustrations of the Eighteenth Century;" of which my revered Father lived to publish four volumes; and to which two more were added after his decease.

The correspondence contained in this volume was not in my possession at the completion of the sixth volume, but has been acquired since by public sale. I had no sooner become possessed of this literary treasure, than I felt a strong desire to show my sense of the respect and gratitude I felt to the memory of Bishop PERCY, for his uniform kindness to my Father and myself, by making a selection from his correspondence, as a portion of "The Literary Illustrations" of the time in which he lived.

Perhaps there was no person who mixed more extensively with the learned men of his day than the Bishop of Dromore. In early life he was the intimate friend of Johnson, Goldsmith, Burke, Reynolds, Boswell, Steevens, Malone, Lord Stowell, and the whole of the celebrated Literary Club; as

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well as of Shenstone, Dr. Grainger, Dr. Farmer, Dr. Lort, and other eminent men of letters. In his latter years he had the good fortune to attach to himself friends, who, whilst he was himself resident in a distant part of the North of Ireland, contributed to his happiness and amusement by the richness of their correspondence; from some one or other of whom he was sure to hear of any event that occurred in the literary world.

The letters of and to Dr. JAMES GRAINGER are the first in point of time, and open to view much of the aspiration of two young authors ardent in their pursuit of literary distinction. Dr. Percy's letters to Dr. BIRCH, and his correspondence with the Rev. GEORGE ASHBY, are connected with the Bishop's early works; as those of the Rev. HENRY MEEN are with his later publications.

The letters of GEORGE STEEVENS, it is to be regretted, are few, but very characteristic of that lively and satirical writer.

Nor are the letters of JAMES BOSWELL less characteristic of the Biographer of Johnson. His letters to Percy are followed by others by him, and by some addressed to him, chiefly relative to the character of the great Colossus of Literature.

One of the most communicative of the Bishop's correspondents was the well-known antiquary, Dr. MICHAEL LORT; who, mixing in the first literary circles in London and Cambridge, was in constant communication with Percy. I have added to the Lort Article some correspondence between DR. LORT and Dr. BIRCH; and at the suggestion of my friend Sir Frederic Madden, K.H., Keeper of

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The correspondence with Percy of the learned and accomplished scholar Archdeacon NARES, has been much enlarged by a collection of his letters to his literary friends.

The Bishop's epistolary intercourse was not confined to the friends he had left behind him in England. From Edinburgh he was furnished by DR. ROBERT ANDERSON, Lord WOODHOUSELEE, MR. PINKERTON, and others, not only with the literary news of the Northern Metropolis, but with much that they had themselves learned from their own correspondents. In Ireland, DR. THOMAS CAMPBELL, DR. EDWARD LEDWICH, JOSEPH COOPER WALKER, and others, added to the gratification of the good Bishop.

To the articles of the Rev. George Ashby, Dr. Campbell, Dr. Ledwich, and Mr. Walker, I have added their correspondence with RICHARD GOUGH, Esq. from the large collection I possess of the literary remains of that eminent Antiquary.

I had intended to have completed the PERCY CORRESPONDENCE in one volume, but it has extended to half of another. It is printed, but reserved to be published with a GENERAL INDEX to the whole Eight Volumes of the "Literary Illustrations of the Eighteenth Century," to be completed, if my life and health are preserved, at as short a period as is consistent with so laborious a task.

The notes in this volume are studiously short,

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but it is hoped will be found useful, as the object has been to ascertain, if possible, the dates of the deaths of the parties spoken of; and to refer to those works where the most ample memoirs of them may be found.

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The Rev. JOSEPH HUNTER, F.S.A. and WM. B. D. TURNBULL, Esq. F.S.A. have obligingly afforded me assistance in the article of Dr. Grainger, a literary character of whom little was previously known.

To E. G. BALLARD, Esq. I am indebted for much literary assistance.

I need scarcely add that the Volume has much profited by the careful revision of my attentive son, J. G. NICHOLS, F.S.A. Had not his time been occupied by other laborious literary pursuits, the "Seventh Volume of Literary Illustrations" would probably have appeared many years since, compiled from different materials. Those stores, some of which were originally intended for this work, still remain at his disposal, to be produced hereafter in any way that public encouragement may demand.

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