

PETER PINDAR has been often admited for his vein of satirical humour; but in the following effusions of his muse, he appears so much the cheerful moralist, that we doubt not our readers will receive it with pleasure, and perhaps pryor by his original and pleasant philosophy.

A N O D E

"MAN may be happy if he will;"
I've said it often, and I think so full;
Doctrine must make the MILLION fair!
Know then, each MORTAL is an actual JOKE;
Can brew what weather he shall most approve,
Or wind, or calm, or foul, or fair.

But here's the mischief—Man's an ass I say;
Too fond of thunder, lightning, storm and rain;
He hides the charming, cheerful ray,
That spreads a smile o'er hill and plain!
Dark, he may court the scull, and spade, and thownd,
The miseries of his soul must be a CROWN!

Who told him that he must be cur'd on earth?

The god of NATURE?—No such thing!

Heav'n's whipster him, the moment of his birth,

"Don't cry, my lad, but dance and sing;

"Don't be too wise, and be an ape;"

"In colours let thy soul be drest, not crapse;

"Roses shall smooth Life's journey, and adown;

"Yet, mind me—it, through want of grace,

"Thou mean'st to fling the bleeding in my face,

"Though full leave to tread upon a thorn."

Yet some there are, of men I think the worst,
Foot ills I bray, if they can't be cur'd—

For ever braying over Mis'ry's eggs,

As though life's pleasures were a deadly sin,

Mourning forever for a gnat,

To catch their happiness by the legs.

Er's-a dinner, some will be unblest'd,

However good the viands, and well dress'd;

They always come to table, with a frown,

Squint with a face of jealousy o'er each dish,

Fault the poor fish, and quarrel with the fish.

Curse cook and wife, and, loathing, eat and growl.

A cart-load, so, their stomachs feel,

Yet wear they cannot make a meal.

I like not the blue-devil-hunting crew!

I have to strip the discontented jowl

Or let me nature's simple smile suffice,

And pick ev'n pleasure from a straw?

Extract of a Resale passed February 14, 1789.

WHEREAS it is of the greatest importance that Tax, No. 6. should be collected with all possible expedition:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he hereby is directed to take effectual measures for speedily enforcing the collection of Tax No. 6, in specie, and that only, in such a manner as his conduct may answer the just expectations of the General Court relative thereto; and not by any means admit of such delays therein as have heretofore taken place in similar cases, to the great injury of the Commonwealth: And he is further directed to issue his executions against the Confidables and Collectors of said tax, who may delay to collect the same accordingly; and also to lay before the General Court at their next meeting, a particular statement of his proceedings hereupon had, shewing the several payments made by each town and district, with the time of such payments, and time of his issuing such executions.

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