

# Parnassian Loom.

## SONNET.

WHENCE comes my love? Oh Muse disclose!  
 —it comes from cheeks that shame the rose,  
 From lips above the ruby's praise,  
 From eyes that mock the diamond's blaze—  
 —where then, alas! my cause of moan?  
 Ah me! 'tis from a heart of stone.

Her blush bespeaks a modest mind,  
 Her lips all words of gentlest kind;  
 Her eye provokes to soft desire,  
 And seems to promise mutual fire:  
 Yet all these charms but cause my moan,  
 For, ah! her heart is made of stone.

Ah! why are lovers doom'd to find,  
 In forms so fair, so cold a mind?  
 O Venus take your gifts again,  
 Since all your gifts occasion pain;  
 Charms are but lovely source of mean,  
 When charms are join'd with heart of stone.

LYCIDAS.

## ANECDOTE.

IN the spring season of Bath, in the year 1760, subscription-books were opened for prayers at the Abby, and for gaming at the rooms; at the close of the first day, the number of subscribers for prayers were twelve, and for gaming sixty-seven—which circumstance occasioned the following lines:—

"The church and rooms the other day,  
 "Open'd their books for prayer and play;  
 "The Priest got twelve. Hoyle sixty-seven,  
 "How great the odds for hell 'gainst heaven.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 25.

Extract of a message from the President and the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania, to the General Assembly of that Commonwealth, on the 12th instant:

"WE are happy in the belief, that the affairs of the state, and the prospects of the Union afford a just foundation to address the legislature in terms of congratulation.

"The principal difficulties which obstructed the adoption of the federal constitution have been happily overcome, the prejudice and suspicion that were awakened by the appearance of that system, have been gradually lulled, and we can no longer doubt that all those states which have been successfully allied to obtain the independence of America, will again be united in that best means of giving strength, dignity, and stability to the national character. Nor can it be deemed visionary or unreasonable to ascribe to the influence of the new government the

liberal attention and encouragement which of late have been bestowed upon domestic arts and manufactures; the spirit of industry and economy that has spread itself through every order of society, and the perfect amity which subsists at this period among the inhabitants of the several states.

"From the same source that has thus revived the hope of internal order and happiness, we cannot fail to derive the respect and confidence of foreign nations. For in the great intercourse of independent countries, the proper title to reciprocal advantage is the power each enjoys of protecting its own commerce, and the disposition which each evinces to maintain its own credit. Experience has demonstrated the inconveniences of a government in which that power does not reside, and has taught us to believe, that a more happy effect will naturally flow from a government differently constituted. And while the sovereigns of Europe are suffering all the calamities of an extensive war, it must yield a laudable satisfaction to every patriotic mind, that we enjoy the profitable opportunity of improving the great advantages that lie before us.

"Impressed with these sentiments, we are ready to declare, that in every act that can promote the welfare of the Union, or the interests of this state, we shall, in the manner most beneficial to the public, most cheerfully exercise that jurisdiction which the constitution has confided to us; and as we shall be solicitous on every occasion to concur in the designs, and to advance the intentions of the legislature, we trust that the harmony of our proceedings would produce an additional confidence in our constituents, and give a proper energy to the administration of the public affairs."

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