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TO
THE WORSHIPFVLL

and most vertuous Gentlewoman

Mistris Anne Willoughby Daughter of the
Right Worshipfull, and ever to be Honour'd

Henry Willoughby of Risley, in the
County of Derby
Baronet.

Worthiest, and Noble Mistris,

HIS infant received breath,
and being under your noble
Fathers roofe (my ever hono-
red Master) and therefore, as an
Aire-lover belonging to that Ho-
spitable Fabricke, it properly prostrates
it selfe to you for a patronnesse. The
title of it saith ignorant Censurers (those
Criticall Momes that have no lan-
guage but Satirick Calumnie) sounds
grosse, and ignare, expressing smal wit,
ard lesse judgment, in the Author to
dedicate (Avow-breaker) under the

The Epistle.

protection of A Lady, of your Candor,
beauty, goodnes, and vertues : against
those foule mouthed detractors, who as-
much as in their venomous hearts lay;
sought to villifie an unblamched Laune,
a vestall puritie, a truth like Innocence,
a temple of sanctitie. the Altar of reall
goodnes, against the sebrainles Momes,
I complymy selfe with Plinies naturall
simulie of the Almond-tree : picke
of the Rind, cracke the shell. vct set the
kernell upright in earth, and by natures
helpe it regaines maturity and growth:
so have your noble vertues, even with
the Diamond eclipsed darknesse, and
from obscurity gaind greater lustre e-
ven then when the twoeldest sons of sin
Envy, and Malice, sought to obscure
them: but shee that hath not left the
earth, divine Astraea, sacred iustice, the
eye, and soule of the law, hath vindica-
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Dedicatory.

ted those foule mouthed detractors : as you are great in goodnes, so shine there still, and let the Sun-raies of your vertues ever yeild honored hatchments, & portments, to your most noble father, & his honored families, of whom you are a principall Columne : continue ever in that noble pedigree of vertues, which your virgin purity hitherto hath justly maintayned, bear en keepe you from faunning parasites, and busie gissips, and send you a Hustand, and a good one, else may you never make a Holiday for Hymen, as much happiness as tongue can speake, penn write, heart thinke, or thoughts imagine, ever attend on you, your noble father, and all his families, to whom I ever rest, as my bounden duty,

A faithfull servant,

WILLIAM SAMPSON.