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TO HER  
Royal Highness  
THE  
DUCHESS E.

*Madam,*

oets, however they may be modest otherwise, have always too good an opinion of what they write. The World when it sees this Play Dedicated to *Your Royal Highness*, will conclude, I have more than my share of that Vanity. But, I hope, the honour I have of belonging to You, will excuse my presumption. 'Tis the first thing I have produc'd in Your Service, and my Duty obliges me to what my choice durst not else have aspir'd.

I am very sensible, *Madam*, how much it is beholding to Your Indulgence, for the success it had in the Acting, and Your Protection will be no less fortunate to it in the Printing; for all are so ambitious of making their Court to You, that none can be severe to what you are pleas'd to favour.

This universal submission and respect is due to the greatness of Your Rank and Birth; but You have other Illustrious Qualities, which are much more ingaging. Those wou'd but dazle, did not



*The Epistle Dedicatory.*

these really charm the Eyes and Understandings of all who have the Happiness to approach You.

Authors on these occasions are never wanting to publish a particular of their Patrons Virtues and perfections; but *Your Royal Highness's* are so eminently known, that did I follow their Examples, I shou'd but paint those wonders here, of which every one already has the Idea in his mind. Besides, I do not think it proper to aim at that in Prose, which is so glorious a subject for Verse; in which hereafter if I show more zeal than skill, it will not grieve me much, since I less passionately desire to be esteem'd a Poet, than to be thought,

*Madam,*

*Your Royal Highness's*

*Most humble, most obedient,*

*and most faithful Servant,*

**George Etherege.**

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**Prologue.**