

Dédicace de Sophonisba

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To her GRACE on the

DUTCHES

PORTSMOUTH.

Madam,

IF Sophonisba receiv'd some ap-
plause upon the stage, let ro-

gate nothing from the merit

of the Poem, but as I

ought with the humblest acknowledgments

and profoundest gratitude, to implore it

to the favourable aspects of the Court

and to your Grace, I implore you the

most Beautiful in the bright appear-

ance of beauty, yet in the sweetness of

of

The Epistle Dedicatory.

of an elevated soul; did shed mightier influence, and darted on me a largess of glory answerable to your stock of Beams. Hannibal himself whose hardie spirit never bow'd but to the fair imperious Rosalinda: nay, he who in spite of beauties charms, durst gaze upon that sun with Eagle-eyes, and tax her with a blemish, now making this approaches to your Grace, seems awed with the source of so many rays, and dazzl'd with a presence so illustrious. He sees with new bleedings, eyes more attractive than those of Rosalinda, something more delicate in your shape, and lofty in your meen; an Air so charming sweet, that 'tis miraculous it shou'd be Majestick too: Smiles of more delightful Shine than April suns, such softnesses and languishings, as the almighty Poets hand cannot describe, nor Painter's Pencil ever draw. For my own part

I

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I am resolv'd to look up to you daily, and dedicate my Life and Labours to your Grace, to spend all the store of my yet unexhausted fancy in your unbounded Fame. For I declare to be wreath'd in Laurels from head to foot, is not comparable honour to that of being Madam.

Your Graces most humble

(and devoted servants

Nat. Lee.

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