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THE SHEPHERD ADONIS.

THE fhepherd Adonis Being weary'd with fport, He, for a retirement, To the wood did refort ; He threw by his crook, And he laid himfelf down, He envy'd no monarch, Nor wifh'd for a crown.

He drank o' the burn, And he ate frae the tree, Himfelf he enjoy'd, And frae trouble was free ; He wifh'd for no nymph, Tho' never fae fair, Had nae love nor ambition, And therefore nae care.

But as he lay thus,
In an ev'ning fae clear,
A heav'nly fweet voice
Sounded faft in his ear ;
Which came frae a fhady
Green neighbouring grove,
Where bonny Amynta
Sat finging of love.

He wander'd that way, And found who was there; He was quite confounded To fee her fae fair; He ftood like a ftatue, Not a foot cou'd he move, Nor knew he what griev'd him— But he fear'd it was love.

The nymph fhe beheld him
With a kind modeft grace,
Seeing fomething that pleas'd her
Beam forth in his face;
And, blufhing a little,
She to him did fay,
O ! fhepherd, what want ye,
How came ye this way ?

His fpirits reviving,
The fwain to her faid,
I was ne'er fae furpris'd
At the fight of a maid ;
Until I beheld thee,
From love I was free,
But now I'm ta'en captive,
My faireft, by thee.