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Reading Toelry.

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POEMS,

SONGS, &c.

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For the Amusement of

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Pretty Poems,

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THE ANT.

How wisely and frugal
The busy ant plies!
Come hither, ye sluggards,
And learn to be wise.



THE SHIP.

Upon the sea the well trim'd ship doth glide,

Steering its course upon the briny tide, To distant climes it moves by press of sail,

Whilst Heav'n protects the crew and sends the gale.



THE DOG.

With faithful diligence
The dog your house will keep,
And from the raging wolf
Protect your tender sheep.



THE TOF.

Now, Master Henry, as you's good to-

You are allow'd to have a little day: Go, whip the top, but keep from idee boys,

Because their rudeness will but damp, your joys.



THE FOX.

Old Reynard the fox
is certain to slay
The bens and the cocks
That come in his way.



THE ASS.

The ass, the mean, does, by his bray, Oblige a horse to run away:
This beast is useful to the poor,
To carry sand from door to door.

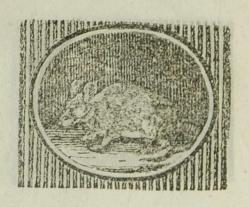


THE OWL

The owl for wisdom has been often priz'd,

Altho' her plumage is by some despis'd:
But mark the truth!—If thou with sense
art blest,

No matter what the garb in which we're drest:



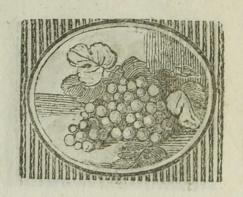
THE MOUSE.

Doth skip and play;
He runs at night,
And sleeps by day.



THE NIGHTINGALE.

The nightingale doth sweetly sing.
To welcome in the rising spring:
When this sweet bird leaves off his song.
In silence is the feather'd throng.



GRAPES.

See, here are the grapes
Which the fox did want;
Tho' quite high he leaps,
Yet reach them he can't.



INDUSTRY.

The bees, industrious, swarm around the hive,

And for support most vigilantly strive. So let us labour in the state we're plac'd, Because by indolence we are disgrac'd.

Finis.

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