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Damon and Cupid. A song

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DAMON AND CUPID.

A SONG.

THE fun was now withdrawn,
The shepherds home were sped;
The moon wide o'er the lawn
Her silver mantle spread;
When Damon staid behind,
And saunter'd in the grove,
Will ne'er a nymph be kind,
And give me love for love?

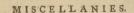
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When Love, devoid of cares,
In all Arcadia's bow'rs
Lodg'd swains and nymphs by pairs:
But now from wood and plain
Flies every sprightly lass,
No joys for me remain,
In shades or on the grass.
III.
The winged boy draws near,

And thus the fwain reproves:
While beauty revell'd here,
My game lay in the groves;



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At court I never fail
To featter round my arrows,
Men fall as thick as hail;
And maidens love like sparrows.

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Then, fwain, if me you need,
Straight lay your fheep-hook down;
Throw by your oaten reed,
And hafte away to town.
So well I'm known at court,
None afks where Cupid dwells.

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