[double rule]

A LOVER

I²S a Kind of Goth and Vandal, that leaves his native Self to fettle in another, or a Planter that forfakes his Country, where he was born, to labour and dig in Virginia. His Heart is catched in a Net with a Pair of bringht flining Eyes, as Larks are with Pieces of a looking-Glafs. He makes heavy Com plaints against it for deferting of him, and defires to have another in Exchange for it, which is a very unreasonable Request; for if it betrayed its bosom Friend, what will it do to a Stranger, that flould give it Truft and Entertainment? He binds himfelf, and cries out he is robbed of his Heart, and charges the Innocent with it, only to get a good Composition, or another for it, against Confcience and Honefty. He talks much of his

Flame, and pretends to be burnt by his Miftres's Eyes, for which he requires Satisfaction from her, like one that fets his House on Fire to get a Brief for charitable Contributions. He makes his Mistress all of Stars, and when she is unkind, rails at them, as if they did ill Offices between them, and being of her Kin set her against him. He falls in Love as Men fall sick when their Bodies are inclined to it, and imputes that to his Mistresses Charms, which is really in his own Temper; for when that is altered, the other vanishes of it felf, and therefore one said not amiss,

-----The Lilly and the Rofe Not in her Cheeks, but in thy Temper grows. When his Defires are grown up, they fwarm, and fly out to feek a new Habitation, and wherefoever they light they fix like Bees, among which fome late Philofophers have observed that it is a Female that leads all the reft. Love is but a Clap of the Mind, a Kind of running of the Fancy, that breaks out, if it be not ftopped in Time, into Botches of heroic Rime; for all Loverrs are poets for the Time

being, and make their Ladies a Kind of mofaic Work of feveral coloured Stones joined together by a ftrong Fancy, but very ftiff and unnatural; and though they fteal Stars from Heaven, as Prometheus did Fire, to animate them, all will not make them alive, nor alives-liking.