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Remarks On The Life and Writings Of Dr. Jonathan Swift, Dean of St. Patrick's, Dublin

Orrery, John Boyle of London, 1752

Swift's writings compared to a machine in Winstanley's water-works.

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lines a are grammatically incorrect, and as they were not inferted in the first edition published at London, I cannot tell how they have crept into a poem, that is otherwise as exactly polished as any of Swift's nicest compositions.

The remaining pieces in this volume are neither worthy of Swift's pen, nor of your perusal. Many of them are spurious, and many more are trisling, and in every respect improper for the public view: so that what was once ludicrously said upon a different occasion, may be applied not only to the last volume, but indeed to some of the former, as "they put us in mind of the fa-"mous machine in Winstanley's water-works, where, "out of the same vessel, the spectators were presented "with tea, cossee, chocolate, champaigne, and sour small beer."

I am, my dear Son, Your truly affectionate Father,

ORRERY.



LETTER XXIII.

WE have now gone through FAULKNER's edition of SWIFT's works; but there are still remaining three of

* That kingdom he bath left his debtor.

I wish it soon may have a better.

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