

DONALD AND FLORA.

WHEN merry hearts were gay, Carelefs of ought but play, Poor Flora slipt away, Sadd'ning, to Mora: Loofe flow'd her coal-black hair, Quick heat'd her bofom bare; Thus to the troubled air

She vented her forrow.

" Loud howls the Northern blaft,

" Bleak is the dreary wafte;

- " Hafte thee, O Donald ! hafte, " Hafte to thy Flora :
- "Twice twelve long months are o'er;

" Since, on a foreign fhore,

" You promis'd to fight no more,

" But meet me in Mora.

"Where now is Donald dear?

" (Maids cry with taunting fueer),

" Say, is he ftill sincere " To his lov'd Flora?

" Parents upbraid my moan,

" Each heart is turn'd to stone;

" Ah! Flora, thou'rt now alone, " Friendlefs in Mora!

" Come then, oh come away !" " Donald, no longer ftay;

" Where can my rover ftray " From his dear Flora?

" Ah! fure he ne'er could be " Falfe to his vows and me;

" O heaven! is not yonder he, " Bounding in Mora?" ¹¹ Never, O wretched fair !
(Sigh'd the fad meffenger),
¹² Never shall Donald mair
¹³ Meet his lov'd Flora !
¹⁴ Cold, cold beyond the main,

" Donald, thy love, lies flain ;

" He fent me to footh thy pain, " Weeping in Mora.

"Well fought our gallant men;

" Headed by brave Burgoyne,

- " Our heroes were thrice led on " To British glory :
- " But ah! tho' our foes did flee,

" Sad was the lofs to thee,

"While ev'ry fresh victory "Drown'd us in forrow."

" Here take this trufty blade

- " (Donald expiring faid),
- " Give it to yon dear maid, " Weeping in Mora :

" Tell her, oh Allen ! tell,

" Donald moft bravely fell,

" And that in his laft farewel " He thought on his Flora."

Mute ftood the trembling fair, Speechlefs with wild defpair; Then, ftriking her bofom bare, Sigh'd out, poor Flora ! O Donald ! oh welladay ! Was all the fond heart could fay; At length the found died away Feebly in Mora.

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