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THE

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Then turn we to her latest Tribune's name,
 From her ten thousand tyrants turn to thee,
 Redeemer of dark centuries of shame —
 The friend of Petrarch — hope of Italy —
 Rienzi, last of Romans! While the tree
 Of Freedom's wither'd trunk puts forth a leaf,
 Even for thy tomb a garland let it be —
 The Forum's champion, and the People's chief —
 Her new-born Numa thou!

CHILDE HAROLD, cant. iv. stanza 114.

Amidst the indulgence of enthusiasm and eloquence, Petrarch, Italy, and Europe, were astonished by a revolution, which realized for a moment his most splendid visions. — GIBBON, chap. lxx.

DEDICATION.

TO

ALESSANDRO MANZONI,

AS TO

THE GENIUS OF THE PLACE,

Are Dedicated

THESE FRUITS,

GATHERED ON

THE SOIL OF ITALIAN FICTION.

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