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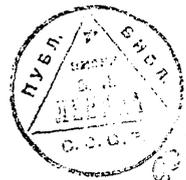


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TO

CHARLES RITTER Esq.

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THE FIRST TO ELEVATE GEOGRAPHY TO A SCIENCE

THIS ESSAY

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IN TESTIMONY OF ADMIRATION

AND ESTEEM.



PREFATORY REMARKS.

IF it cannot be denied that the Literary Productions of any given Period mark the State and Progress of the human mind and thus become the Standard whereby to judge the Nations of ancient and modern Times: it must be of interest to trace the march of Bookselling as that link between the Public and the Author whose study it is to test the wants and desires of the one in order to stimulate the abilities and exertions of the other, and thus to give birth to such Works as most readily will repay the labour and Capital of the 'dealer in mental food.' It is this consideration which has induced the Author of the present Essay, himself one of the Bibliopolic fraternity, to examine the Publications of *Levinus Hulse or Hulsius*, a man whose services to Litterature both as an Author and a Publisher, deserve to be more known than they at present are. Altho' I propose to enumerate all the Works published by him, it is his COLLECTION OF VOYAGES AND TRAVELS that has attracted my

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particular study and this Essay of which one hundred and twenty number'd copies only are printed, has been published in the present quarto form in order to match with the 'Collection' alluded to and which it is intended to illustrate and to introduce to the Notice of the Literary and Curious.

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