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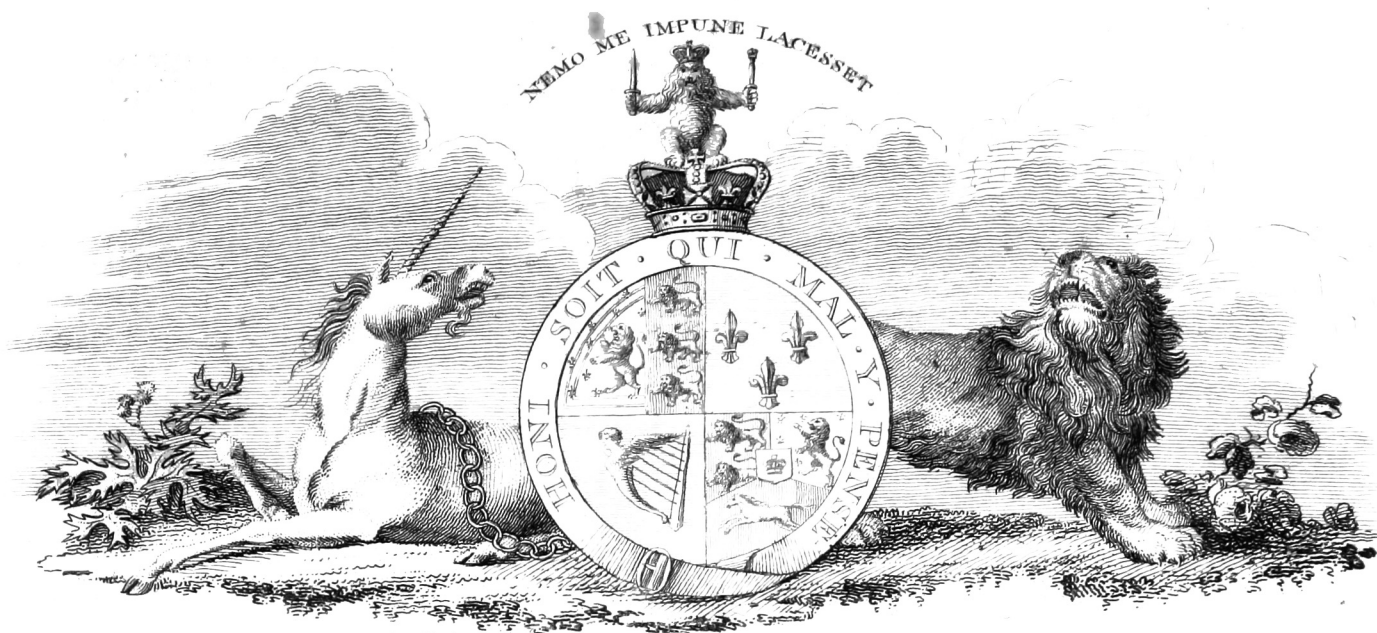


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Science and of Taste in Europe. I am,
with the highest respect,

Your MAJESTY'S dutiful subject,

and devoted servant,

BUCCLEUGH.

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