

1 He withers all in silence, and ~~in~~⁴ his hand
Unclothes the earth, and freezes up frail life.

2 The graves give up their dead : fair Elenor ^{gave}
Walk'd by the castle gate, and looked in.
She shriek'd aloud, and sunk upon the steps
On the cold stone her pale cheek . SICKLY SMELLS

3 "O Elenor, behold thy husband's head,

4 And the jolly swain laughs ~~his~~¹³ fill. Still.

5 Come hither, Sleep,

6 And my grieves unfold :

7 But lo ! the morning peeps
Over the eastern steeps,
And the rustling ^{birds} ~~leaves~~ of dawn

8 Curse my black stars, and bless my pleasing woe.

9 In lucent words my darkling verses dight,
And wash my earthly mind in thy clear streams,
That wisdom may descend in fairy dreams :

10 And when thou yield'st to night thy wide domain,

11 eares Midas the praise hath gain'd of lengthen'd Cares,

Eleven inked emendations in the Turnbull copy of Blake's *Poetical Sketches*.