

The Mistresses:
A Song Set by Mr. James Townsend,
the Words by Mr. Rolfe.



La - via would, but dare not ven - ture, Fear so much o'er -
 Cæ - lia by a Wi - ser Mea - sure, In one faith - ful

rules her Pas - sion; Chlo - e suf - fers all to en - ter,
 Swains em - bra - ces; Pays a pri - vate Debt to Plea - sure,

Sub - jects Fame to In - cli - na - tion: Nei - ther's Me - thod
 Yet for Chast in pu - blick Pas - ses: Fair ones fol - low

I ad - mire, Ei - ther is in Love dis - pleas - ing; Chlo - e's fond - ness
 Cæ - lia's Notion, Free from fear and cen - sure whol - ly; Love, but let it

glut de - sire, La - via's Co - war - dise is Teaz - ing.
 be with Caution, For Ex - treams are Shame or Fol - ly.