

Versions of the Text of Lucretius - 1743 Daniel Browne Edition - Unknown Translator

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T. Lucretius Carus,
OF THE
NATURE of THINGS.
THE
FIRST BOOK

MOTHER of Rome, Delight of Minerva, and
Goddess, whose Presence, who with
vital Power dost all the Soul bestow
the shape, the fruitful Earth, all Things beneath
the rolling firmament, Heaven, the Air, and
the Stars, bright Beams, Thy Golden, that
the Winds would, the Clouds by Thee, and thy
Approach, with various Art the Earth for Thee
affords her several Flowers; for That the Sea's
rough Waves put on their Smiles, and the
starch Sky shines with diffused Light: For

* Lucretia as a Part subsists in the Soul of the Air, and
begins with an Impulse to Fire, that is the common sense
of Appetite in Procreation; which afterwards, to make use
of Gold, as if he really enjoyed himself with it, and
gives her all her Virtues; yet, at the same time, because she
loses Substances upon the first Admittance of them, she
finds her Mother of Rome, because the Roman believed their
Origin from Jove, whose the Soul of Fire by descent
which





Octavo. The seven etchings are those from the Tonson edition of 1712, here also in quarto size, as fold-outs (with one larger), all in fine condition, without tears. With additional wood cut ornaments. Titles in red and black. Firm C20th modern leather binding. One loose page, but still attached (V. I, p. xv). Seller Inventory # A65498