

Conclusion.

The Poets have feigned *Mercury* to be the chief Patron of Thieves and Treachery,

*Horat. l. 1.**Od. 10.**Ovid. Me-**tam. l. 11.**Homer. in**Hymnis.*

Ἄρχὸς φιλητίων.

To which purpose they relate that he filched from *Venus* her Girdle, as she embraced him in congratulation of a Victory; that he robbed *Jupiter* of his Scepter, and would have stolln his Thunderbolt too, but that he feared to burn his fingers. And the Astrologers observe, that those who are born under this Planet, are naturally addicted to Theft and Cheating.

*Nat. Comes**Mytholog.**l. 5. c. 5.*

If it be feared that this Discourse may unhappily advantage others, in such unlawful courses; 'tis considerable, that it does not only teach how to deceive, but consequently also how to discover Delusions. And then besides, the chief experiments are of such nature,