FULLER, a workman employed in the manufactories, to full, or feour cloths, rateens, ferges, and other wool-len ftuffs, by means of a mill, to render them thicker, and more compact and durable.

The word is formed of the Latin fullo, which figuines the

fame thing.

The fullers among the Romans washed, scoured, and sitted up cloaths; and their office was judged of that importance. that there were formal laws prescribed them for the manner of performing it. Such was the Lex Metalla de Fullonibus. See also Pliny, lib. vii. cap. 56. Ulpian, leg. 12. fl. de Furtis, lib. xiii. § 6. Locati, lib. xiii. § 6 ff. &c. See Fulling.