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For NOVEMBER

HENRY

(WITH A PORTRAIT.)

DR. HENRY OWEN was, we beborn about the year 1719. Where he received his education we are not informed, but at a proper age he was fent to Jesus College, Oxford, where, on the 14th of July 1743, he took the Degree of Master of Arts. Intending, it may be prefumed, to follow the profession of Physic, he proceeded to the Degree of B. M. the 17th Oct. 1746, and finally became D. M. March 29, 1753. Whether he ever practised as a Physician, we have not heard. preferments in the Church were but few, and those not equal to his merit as a Divine. In 1750 he was presented to the Rectory of St. Olave, Hartstreet, by private patronage, and had also the Vicarage of Terling in Essex. In 1776 he received from Dr. Barrington, now Bishop of Durham, then Canon Residentiary of St. Paul's, the living of Edmonton. On the 3d September 1760, he married Miss Mary Butts, daughter of the Bishop of Ely, and after a long and lingering illness, died the 14th October 1795, leaving one fon, the Rev. Henry Owen, to whom he had some years resigned the living of St. Olave's, and four daughters.

Such are the outlines of the life of a gentleman who certainly is entitled to a more ample memorial; one who to very extensive and profound literature added the most amiable manners, the strictest attention to the duties of his station, and the most exemplary conduct in his feveral relations, both public and domestic. We should have been glad to have presented our readers with a more detailed account of fo excellent

a person; but this it may be presumed will be executed hereafter by fome one who may be possessed of more enlarged information, and more intimate acquaintance with one who deferved well of the world, both as a scholar and member of fociety.

Dr. Owen's works are as follow:

1. Harmonia Trigonometrica, or A Short Treatife on Trigonometry, 8vo. 1748.

2. The Intent and Propriety of the Scripture Miracles confidered and explained, 8vo. 1755.

3. Observations on the Four Gospels, tending chiefly to ascertain the Times of their Publication, and to illustrate the Form and Manner of their Composition, 8vo. 1764.

4. Short Directions to Young Students in Divinity, and Candidates for Holy Orders, 8vo. 1766.

5. An Enquiry into the present State of the Septuagint Version of the Old Testament, 8vo. 1769.

6. The Intent and Propriety of the Scripture Miracles confidered and explained, in a feries of Sermons, preached at Bow in 1769, 1770, and 1771, at Boyle's Lecture; 2 vols. 8vo. 1773.

7. Critica Sacra, or A short Introduction to Hebrew Criticism, 8va,

1774.
This was criticifed in a work entitled "Critica Sacra examined, or an Attempt to shew that a new Method may be found to reconcile the feemingly glaring Variations in parallel Passages of Scripture, and that fuch Variations are no Proofs of Cerruptions," &c. 8vo. 1775. 8. Sup-Ppa

8. Supplement to Critica Sacra; in which the Principles of that Treatife are fully confirmed, and the Objections of Mr. Raphael Baruh are clearly answered, 8vo. 1775.

9. Collatio Codicis Cottoniani Genefeos cum Editione Romana à viro Clarissimo Joanne Ernesto Grabe jam olim factà, nunc demum summa cura edita,

8vo. 1778.

This ancient and beautiful MS. was faid to have been brought into England in the reign of Henry VIII. by two Greek Bishops. Queen Elizabeth made a present of it to Sir John Fortescue, from whom it descended to the Cotton Library. Walton says, that there were five volumes of this MS. containing the whole Pentateuch, but that the four last came into the hands of a Frenchman, who never returned them to the owner. This valuable MS. was nearly destroyed by the fire which so greatly damaged the Cotton Library in 1731.

10. Critical Disquisitions; containing some Remarks, 1. on Masius's Edition of the Book of Joshua, and, 2.

on Origen's celebrated Hexapla, 800.

Critical, of the Septuagint Version of the Old Testament. To which is added A Differtation on the comparative Excellency of the Hebrew and Samaritan Pentateuch, &c. 8vo. 1787.

12. The Modes of Quotation used by the Evangelical Writers explained and

vindicated, 4to. 1789.

Besides these, Dr. Owen published in 1785, "Xenophon's Memorabilia," left unfinished by Dr. Edward Edwards, of Jesus College, Oxford; and in 1766, "Rowland's Mona Antiqua." He was also author of "A Collation of the Account of the Dedication of the Temple, printed in The Origin of Printing," 8vo. 1776; and "Remarks on the Time employed on Cæsar's two Expeditions into Britain, in "Archæologia" II. 159;" and contributed very liberally to Bowyer's Conjectures on the New Testament, a copy of which prepared for a new edition, he is said to have left to be hereafter published.

To the EDITOR of the EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

SIR,

T ALLEN, in 1756, published a Print, engraved by P. C. CANOT, of a capital Ship of War. It is called THE GREAT HARRY " (built in the Reign of Henry the Eighth, in the year 1514, and by negligence burnt in 1533), and is faid to have been drawn from the original of Hans Holbein; but from an omiffion, fomewhat unfair, it is not mentioned where the Picture is preserved.

Mr. Topham, in his illustration of an ancient Picture in Windlor Castle, representing the embarkation of King Henry, preparatory to his interview with the French King, Francis the First (Archæologia, Vol. VI. Art. xxiv. p. 208), has offered some doubts, not easily to be obviated, which controvert the notion that this is a print of the Great Harry: a decisive opinion

cannot be, however, formed what may be the Ship exhibited, till it can be afcertained, whether the Engraver has given a faithful refemblance of the picture referred to.

The Print was published by subscription, and in the Proposals, which were as it may be presumed, advertised in Newspapers, and circulated in handbills, Allen might suggest the authority for his affection, that the picture was really painted by Holbein. A copy of the Print, on a reduced scale, was inferted in the London Magazine of June 1756.

Intelligence concerning the original Picture will be acceptable to many perfons, and the communication of it will much oblige the Inquirer.

Your's, &c.

s. D.

An ESSAY in PRAISE of the FIRESIDE.

THE antient poets, who are generally fupposed to be the greatest masters of thought, attributed their happy ex-

ercife of it to their great patron the --Sun; and that they might enjoy its kind influences with more purity, we

* The proper name of this Ship was Harry Grace a Dieu. An original Drawing of it is fill preferved in the Pepysian Library, in Magdalen College, Cambridge. (See Archaeologas above).

und

find them quitting the smoke and riches of the city for some country retirement, where they might temper the directer rays with cooling breezes, shady groves, purling streams, and melody of birds; where they might behold nature without diguise, and copy her without interruption; where they might at once earn their laurels and gather them.

Our northern poets think themselves warranted to follow those great originals, who yet, from the difference of climate, &c. scem to fland in little need of fuch cooling refreshments. It would make one think to see them beyond even poetical siction invoking the gentle gales, while they are shivering under the bleak north-east, or at best, when

Lull'd by foft zephyrs through a broken pane.

I have often wondered why our writers should not sometimes lay the scene of their poems, where in reality they took their rife. The Firefide is furely capable of the most surprising imagery, by being diversified (if the poet pleases) with ferpents, crackers, rockets, and the like short-lived gay creation of combustibles. These, Mr. Addison has fomewhere observed, are abundantly capable of fable and defign, and to our modern poets no less full of moral. Those that have not Italian fancy for fine proipects, and latent ruins, may by this means perpetuate their names (like the wifer Dutch) in some over-glowing night-piece. I myfelf, methinks, am enamoured with my subject, and ready, with Sir John Denham, to make it an example of just writing as well as the theme: - For lo! my chimney affords

A happy temperature of heat and light,

"Warm without rage, and without glaring bright."

But I confine not my observations to the poets alone, I appeal to composers of all denominations whether a brisk fire, and a clean swept hearth, has not brightened their imaginations, produced ideas like a kind of hot-bed, and made them amazed at their own seeundity.

The robust, the busy, or unthinking part of the world, perhaps, are little tensible of the attractives of the hearth; but the men of speculation, the only men

of authority in the point before us, look upon it as their most comfortable rewhat is worse, the impertinences Wearied with the fatigues, or, of the day, they retire to their own home, as the mind does into her own breast, and solace themselves in the most cheerful part of it. Disguise and restraint are here laid aside, and the foul, as well as the body, appears the more beautiful for its dishabille. That quintessence of earthly happiness, which in warmer climates was expressed by fitting under one's own Vine, is with us more sensibly felt by one's own Firefide.

But the firefide is not only a friend to a bachelor in solitude, it is noted to a proverb to be always fo in company; it brings us to a nearer converse with one another, by which means it promotes reconcilement between enemies, and mirth and fociety between friends. There is a fort of fullenness in the tempers of Englishmen and Americans, which the fire foftens as it does metals, and renders them fit for use. How often has there been a room full of vifitants, who could not furnish out an hour's converfation, for no other reason but because they were at too great a distance from one another? The same assembly, brought into closer order, has proved excellent company; it has reminded me of the dogs in a chace (I hope I shall be pardoned the comparison), who open with less frequency when they spread round the field at first fetting out, but when the game is started, and they have all one point in view, they run united in full cry. While I am speaking in praise of a sedentary life, I am not afraid to draw comparisons from the pleasures of the most active. The firefide difpels the gloominess of the brow, and throws upon the countenance not only the ruddiness of youth but its cheerfulness. Here I have feen a gay femicircle of ladies refemble the beauties of the rainbow without its tears; and at other times a galaxy of white aprons more enlivening than all the blue in the brightest sky. United with that fex by the firefide, how ferene are our pleafures, and how innocent! We have laughter without folly, and mirth without noise: Thereby, reflecting the beams of the funny bank before us, we make the chimney corner, I will not fay, in Cicero's expression, the forge of wit, but in our modern philosophical term, the focus of it. ACCOUNT

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OF BREAD, NOVEMBER 10, 1795.

No. I.

STATEMENT OF THE WEIGHT, PRICE, &c.

OF THE DIFFERENT ARTICLES MADE USE OF IN THE COMPOSITION OF BREAD, EXHI-BITED BEFORE THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE, NOVEMBER 10, 1795.

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No. II.

LIST OF THE VARIOUS SORTS OF BREAD EXHIBITED BEFORE THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE, NOV. 10, 1795.

SORT OF BREAD.

No.

- 1. Best wheaten bread.
- 2. Standard wheaten.
- 3. Household.
- 4. Barley bread.
- 5. Oat bread.
- 6. Rye bread.

UNMIXED BREAD.

Price per lb. at the rates specified in Table

No. 16

MIXED BREAD.

WHEAT THE BASIS.

7 One-third wheat, 8 One-third ditto, o One-third ditto, 10 One-third ditto.

11 One-third ditto, 12 One-third ditto.

13 One-third ditto. 14 One-third ditto,

15 One-third ditto.

16 One-third ditto. 17 One-third ditto. 18 One-third ditto,

10 One-third ditto. 20 One-third ditto,

21 One-half ditto.

22 One-half ditto. 23 One-half ditto,

Two-thirds ditto, One-third rice, Three-fourths ditto, One-fourth rice,

25 Three-fourths ditte 26 Two-thirds ditto,

One-third rice, One-third beans, One-third peafe, One-third maiz, One-third rye,

One-third barley, One-third buck,

One-third oats, Two-thirds rice,

Two-thirds beans, Two-thirds peafe, Two-thirds oats,

Two-thirds barley, Two-thirds rye, One-half rice,

One-half barley, One-half rye,

One-third barley,

BARLEY THE BASIS.

2.7 One third barley, 28 One-third ditto.

29 One-third ditto. 30 One-third ditto,

31 One-third ditto, 32 One third ditto. 33 One-third ditto.

34 One-third ditto.

35 One-third ditto, 36 One-third ditto.

37 One-third ditto, 38 One-third ditto,

39 One-half ditto, 40 One-half ditto,

41' Two-thirds ditto,

One-half rice, One-half rye, One-third rice,

Two-thirds rye,

42 Three-fourths ditto, One-fourth rice,

One-third rice, One-third potatoes, One-third beans, One-third ditto, One-third peafe, One-third ditto,

One-third potatoes,

One-third ditto,

One-third ditto,

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One-third ditto, One-third ditto,

One-third ditto,

One-third potatoes,

One-third maiz, One-third ditto, One-third rye, One-third ditto,

One-third buck, One-third ditto, One-third oats, One-third ditto, Two-thirds rice,
Two-thirds beans,
Two-thirds peafe,
Two thirds oats,

No. OATS THE BASIS. 43 One-third oats. One-third rice, One third potatoes, 44 One-third ditto, One-third beans, One-third ditto, 45 One-third ditto. One-third peafe, One third ditto. One-third maiz, 46 One-third ditto, One-third ditte. 47 One-third ditto. One third rye, One-third ditto, 48 One-third ditto, One-third buck, One-third dicto. Two-thirds rice, 49 One-third ditto, Two-thirds beans, 50 One-third ditto, 51 One-third ditto. Two-thirds peafe, 52 One-third ditto, Two-thirds barley, 53 One-third ditto Two-thirds rye, 54 One-half ditto, One half rice, 55 One-half ditto, One-half ryc, 56 Two-thirds ditto, One third rice. 57 Three-fourths ditto, One-fourth rice, 58 Two-thirds ditto, One-third barley

Price per lb. at the rates specified in Table No. I.

		RICE THE	BASIS.
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60	One-third ditto,	One-third peafe,	One-third ditto,
61	One-third ditto,	One-third maiz,	One-third ditto,
62	One-third ditto,	One third rye,	One-third ditto,
63	One-third ditto,	One-third buck,	One-third ditto,
64	One-third ditto,	One third oats,	One-third ditto,
65	One-third ditto,	Two-thirds beans,	
66	One-third ditto,	Two thirds peafe,	Carlotte on the Control of the Contr
67	One-third ditto,	Two-thirds oats,	
68	One-third ditto,	Two-thirds rye,	
69	One-half ditto,	One-half rye,	THE ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF THE
70	Two-thirds ditto,	One-third barley,	SALE OF STREET
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MIL TON.

MILTON'S " PAR. L." B. 4. V. 256.

-- "And without thorn the rofe."

THIS, fome one has observed, is an Italian conceit. Bentley has expunged the whole line, as unfit for a ferious poem. " But it should be remembered," fays Newton in his note, ** that it was part of the curfe denounced upon the earth for Adam's transgreffion, that it should bring forth thorns and thistles .- Gen. iii. 18. And from hence the general opinion has prevailed, that there were no thorns before; which is enough to justify a Poet in faying the rose was without thorns." The fol-Lowing extracts from Bafil will ferve to that the role was originally without a corroborate the Editor's remark. Mil- thorn; but that, fince the Fall, ton read the Fathers. Some few references to Basil have been made by Peck; but this obvious imitation has escaped him ;

STAG

-- то робом тоте амей акандия nu, &c.

-rosa tunc spinis carebat; posten verò pulchritudini floris adjunctæ funt spinze; ur afficeremur mærore, odoris fuavitati propinquo; memores delicii, propter quod spinas et tribulos damnata tellus protulit .- Hom. 5. De Germinatione Tirra.

A similar observation occurs in his Third Oration, De Paradifo. Milton's hemistich and these passages from Basil, when compared together, manifest a striking coincidence of thought and expression. The Father and the Poet have with equal feriousness afferted,

Surgit amari aliquid, quod in ipsis floribus angit. LUCR.

G. H.

To the EDITOR of the EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

SIR. THE Extracts from Lady FANSHAW'S Memoirs, which you have occasionally inferted in your Magazine, have given rife to fome expectation that the Noble Owner of the MS. will gratify the public wish for the printing the whole of The merit of this Lady's Husband, SIR RICHARD FANSHAW, deserves to be more known, and therefore I fend you the following Character of him, extracted from " A Sermon preached in Madrid, July 4, 1666, S. N. occasioned by the fad and much-lamented Death of his late Excellency SIR RICHARD FANSHAW, Knt. and Barts of his Majesty's Most Hons Privy Council, and his Ambassador in Ordinary to that Court, where falling fick of a violent Fever, June 14, 1666, he ended his Life the 26th day of that Month, in the third Year of his Negotiation in that Place, and in the 50th Year of his Age. By HENRY BAGSHAW, M. A. Student of Christ Church, Oxon, and his late Excellency's Chaplain in that Embaffy. 4to. 1667." This Character feems to have escaped the notice of Sir Richard's Biographer, in the New Edition of the Biographia Britannica. I am. &c.

SHALL I here represent before you his birth, his learning, his travels, the reverence of his age, and the like? These were all ornaments that belonged to him, and yet the least of his praise.

The nobleness of his birth was a good he little valued, nay, he strove to hide it with dignity acquired, as desiring to be begotten anew by virtue, and thence receive his honour, which the fortune

of birth lazily bestows.

His learning, as it was great and choice, fo he used it only as a servant to higher ends; bare knowledge he never doated on, nor wit, which his knowledge was set off with, but as they both conduced to practice; the one as the weight, the other as the edge of his

actings.

His travels, confidered in themselves, were common to him with others; but the management of those travels was peculiar to him, and may therefore give him a property in fame; for they were fo many victories over the times, and the vices of those kingdoms he lived in. The knowledge he had of the world's frauds never biaffed his foul, nor could his fight of fin in its feveral thapes bend him from noble defigns; who was fuch a follower of virtue, that he learned from bad customs a stricter practice of it; such a lover of truth that he (who was master of foreign languages) yet taught those languages to speak it. Arange current this! that has paffed through feveral lands, and yet received no taint from the foil, nor ever travelled from his own nature.

Lastly, the reverence of his age, and the dignity of gray hairs; these were a grace indeed to his person, but a grace Vol. XXVIII. Nov. 1795. of itself not to be prized, for it is an effect of time, which folly as well as wisdom may partake of; but in him age created respect, because it shewed a head that crowned it; it was like an old monument that has noble acts written upon it, and so becomes honourable for that history. Therefore, passing by these qualities, give me leave to go higher, and consider him in a threefold capacity; as a Subject, as a public Minister, as a Christian.

1. As a Subject. Still times may prove happy to a flate, but not glorious to a liver; they are dead calms, wherein the courage and fidelity of the fubje& cannot move; but Heaven had ordered a trial of his loyalty in fuch an age wherein loyalty feemed a crime, when rebellion looked gay with fucces, and facrilege had Providence to gild it; yet ran he then constantly the hazards of his Prince, and triumphed in an afflicted cause, as seeing Heaven's justice through the blackness of its course, earth's fince through its prosperous usurpation. Such services (without worldly hopes to allure) could have only pure conscience for their principle; and it was the bare right of his master, joined with a love to the owner, made him digest all the misfortune. Flattering arts and cunning practices were far from the temper of this perfon, who had a breast large and open, made indeed to hide his master's secrets, but not to dissemble his own principles; whence he manifested them in the lowest extremes, slicking to the crown when it lay in dust, and following the fun in its eclipse, which the multitude adores for its beams. When he had

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thus recommended his duty, none could justly envy him in his Prince's height, that he should partake of that influence.

2. As a public Minister, which office he began betimes, and rose by steps to the highest honours of employment, yet he never altered his course in his manage of affairs; justice and integrity were notions fixed and rooted in his foul; no bribe could enter that room, for it was before richlier filled, and honesty kept the key; fo that with the fame truth he tied himself to the business of his Prince, as he did to his fortune. What trust he had in the world three Courts can witness; how well he managed it they may equally proclaim; for the general good was his aim, and thither he directed all his endeavours. not mention the care he had of his charge, for that was a work of his nature; nor the exactness of his performance, for that was an ordinary effect of his wisdom; but give me leave to declare the clearness of his designs in all his undertakings, who never studied felf to enrich, but felf to command. His whole treaty of commerce had nothing of private traffic, for his foul was above wealth, and he nobly shewed it when he threw it away to preserve kingdoms. To the peace of crowns he made his flight in this embassy, and not to merchandize; peace, the great gift of Heaven, and the noblest copy man has left him for imitation. It was this endeared his labours abroad, and with this he thought to magnify his master at home, when the world should see (by that mediation betwixt States) the goodness of our King, as in war they had felt the greatness of his power. And what could be more honour to a Prince than the glory of faving with one hand, when the other conquered; of fettling dominion in Princes when he had broke it in States? first work this one Minister endeavoured, the latter a whole fleet ferved in *; but though that good defign of his for uniting kingdoms (which he so lately ventured to procure with his own danger +,) be now frustrated by the prejudices of obitinate men, yet the fruit is not to himself; God looks to him as

a peace-maker, and has accordingly beflowed his reward.

3. As a Christian. What the graces of Christianity are the Apostle defcribes. " The fruit of the spirit," fays he, " is love, joy, peace, long-fuffering, gentleness, goodness, meekness, faith, temperance; against such there is no law t." And it were easy for me to make out how in all thefe he excelled. Love ruled in him as the moving principle, and joy as the attendant of his good actions; peace was his end; longfuffering, gentleness, goodness, meekness were his constitution; temperance his habit, and faith in his God a grace that fanctified all. In his last fickness (that came upon him with a fevere face, like Death's Herald, and therefore required as fevere a welcome) that faith and patience he had long before exercifed, did then eminently shine. No groan, no complaint was heard to come from him, though he had a fire raging within, and physicians as executioners without him; executioners I mean in their tortures, though not in defign; and when the fatality of his fever was told him, with what composedness of fpirit did he refign himfelf up to the Almighty! With what indifferency of eye did he look on, nay part with his dearest friends! for his thoughts were carried upward to higher relations; and drawing near his last (for I was an eye-witness of all passages to his end), how readily did he make a good confession, professing openly he died in the English faith, which no son of our Church has more cordially espoused; in the affurance of everlasting life, which no martyr has more fully received; and then, giving himfelf upwholly to prayers, he breathed away the whole time in fuch calmness of devotion, that you would think he was never versed in business of state, but only practised how to die.

God knows I have not studied to devise him a character; and you well know he needs none. Indeed the time and the place, as well as the subject, will not allow a fiction; the time is a time of seriousness, and not of acting; the place is that of a Minister before God, and therefore a place for truth,

^{*} In the Dutch War, 1666.

⁺ In his voyage this year to Portugal, 1666.

[#] Gal. v. 22, 23.

and not for flattery; the subject is a subject of worth, and not of title; so that neither I can make, nor ought he to wear the vain dress of a counterfeit fame.

One thing I have omitted in this poor description, which is the confidering him in his domestic government; in the constant chasteness of a conjugat love;

in the goodness of a father's care; in the sweetness of a master's rule; but I have purposely omitted it, as knowing it is too tender a theme both for you to hear, and me to enlarge upon; and it would only serve to widen the wound which the intention of this sermon is to close.

To the EDITOR of the EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

YOUR Correspondent's Explanation of emi σφυρά κολπον ανείσαι, in the 15th Idvllium of Theocritus, is an original, but furely not a just one. As I understand the passage, the women say, that " After baving borne the image of Adonis to the shore, they shall begin the dirge with their hair loofe, their garments flowing down to their ancles, and their bosoms open." Thus all the interpreters of Theocritus understand the passage. Toup and Warton have both noticed the context : they have made no objection to the common version. Neither the attitude of bearing, or of washing the body, or endwhor, is here meant to be described; but the posture in which the mourners were supposed to stand while finging, immediately after they had performed the rites of bearing and lustration. And why should " the garments of the women be girded up? Infread of being girded up they were rather rent, and thus rendered loofe and fluttering, as Juvenal represents Polyxena's: " Ut primos edere plenitus Caffandra inciperet scissaguePolyxena palla."
Your Critic says, "It was not the custom to appear splendidly attired." Nonor is there any splendor in the dress before us. This as well as the " scissa palla" of Polyxena, might have been very coarfe and homely. To suppose the women to be chaunting their funeral fong, while they were actually stooping down, and washing the image, feems extremely ridiculous. The expression of a woman's lap or bosom being let down to her ancles," is doubtleis too absurd for our Sicilian Poet. I

cannot but think, therefore, that the vulgar translations are sufficiently faithful to the original. Polwhele's version is as follows:

Shall dry the dews that gem the thorn, His image to the shore we'll bear, With robes unzon'd and flowing hair—With bosoms open'd to the day, And warble thus the choral lay."

Thus much, Mr. Editor, for the knotty passage before us. Before, however, we dismiss the subject of the death of Adonis, you will permit me to introduce from Polwhele's Bion a description of some of the ceremonies attending his imaginary funeral.

"Tho' fix'd in death its pallid features frown,

That vifage with the flowery chaplet crown.

Alas! no flowrets boaft their glowing pride:

With him their fragrance and their colour

died!

Shade him with myrtles—pour the rich perfumes—

No-perish every sweet-no more Adonis blooms.

His pale corfe cover'd with a purple veft, Behold he lies! And lo, the Loves diffreft Shear their bright locks, in agony of woe, And fpurn the uselefs dart, and break the bow! Some quick unbind his buskin'd leg, and bring In golden urns fresh water from the spring; While others gently bathe the bleeding wound, And with light pinions fan him, stuttering round."

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OBSERVATIONS RESPECTING THE POPULATION OF THE AMERICAN STATES,

THE inhabitants of a State conflitute its real strength, and the increase or decrease of their number furnishes one of the surest criterions to judge of its prosperity; as the former will inevi-

tably take place in every country that affords encouragement and protection to industry, and the latter, wherever infecurity damps exertion, or unfavourable circumstances produce such a difference of the contraction of the

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proportion between the price of labour and of the necessaries of life, as renders fubfishence difficult, and impedes the acquirement of competence. Whatever may be the state of particular countries in these respects, the general increase of the human species is little doubted, though it would appear much more evident were it not counteracted by the destruction of wars, epidemic diseases, and other adventitious eyils. Of those countries in which the increase of population is undeniable, America is perhaps the most striking instance of a rapid progress in this respect. The first colony that fettled within the prefent boundaries of the United States, confifted of only about 100 persons, who went over from this country in the year 1606; and though many others foon followed, the difficulties they had to encounter were so great, that in 1614 the number of fettlers remaining did not exceed 400, which small number has progressively increased in the course of 180 years to four millions. Such an uncommon increase is the more remarkable, in this instance, as by an account published some years since of the births and burials of Boston, it appeared in that town the number of the burials excceded that of the births, and confequently that the inhabitants could not increase without an annual supply of persons born elsewhere. This circumstance would furnish a presumption, if more direct evidence could not be obtained, and the fact was not generally admitted, that the rapid advance of population in the United States has been in a great measure occasioned by emigration from other countries; which is ftill more fully confirmed by the refult of the enumeration which took place in 1791. According to the returns then made, the total number of white males in the several districts of the United States (exclusive of the S. W. and N. W. territories) was 1,598,944, and of females 1,541,261, the former being to the latter in proportion of 1000 to 964. It is well known that in all confiderable places where fimilar accounts have been taken, the number of living males has been found less than that of the females: the exceptions to this general observation are very few, and only in fuch instances as may be easily accounted for from particular local circumstances; therefore, the contrary appearing in the American States, evidently proves that the population is confiderably affected by persons removing thither from other countries; it being well known that the proportion of females who emigrate is very fmall in comparison with the number of males. Several American writers, observing the rapid increase of the population of their country, and perhaps not fufficiently confidering or being willing to allow how much it is owing to the constant accession of natives of other countries, have endeavoured to shew, that the probabilities of life are higher in the United States than in Europe, and consequently instances of confiderable longevity more numerous. This is the principal design of Mr. W. Barton's "Observations on the Progress of Population, and the Probabilities of the Duration of Life in the United States, read before the American Philofophical Society the 18th March 1791." How far the arguments contained in this Essay are well founded, will appear from a flight examination of the principal evidence produced in support of them. This confifts of two tables of the probabilities of life in Philadelphia, and similar tables for the town of Salem, a fea-port containing about 8000 inhabitants. The Ist Table for Philadelphia is formed from the Registers of two congregations (among whom the annual number of deaths was only 145) from 1755 to 1790. For twelve years during this period the bills could not be obtained, which certainly feems to imply fome negligence in the manner of keeping them, and authorifes a doubt respecting the accuracy of those that were preserved; the bills for two other years the Author thought proper to omit, as being years of extraordinary mortality among children. The 2d Table is formed from the same bills for four years only. The Tables for Salem exhibit evident proof of their defects, by shewing such an irregularity in the decrements of life as was never observed in any confiderable place, where regifters have been kept tolerably correct. These are certainly very slender and unfatisfactory data to draw any inference from respecting the probabilities of life in the country at large, or even in the city of Philadelphia itself, containing fo large a body as 42,000 inhabitants; but even upon the supposition that the rables are correct, the comparison of them with the other tables given with them, is not much in favour of Philadelphia. E. g. it appears by Table 1, that out of 1000 born in this city, 445 die under the age of three years; whereas according to Count de Buffon's Tables, only 420 die in Paris, and 413 in London, under this age; and according to Dr. Halley's Table for Breslaw, no more than 290. From the Philadelphia Table it also appears, that out of 1000 births 368 attain to more than 20 years of age; but from Buffon's Tables 433 live beyond this age in Paris, and 436 in London; and by the Breslaw Table 523 exceed it in that city. Dr. Price's Table for London is probably nearer the truth than that of Count Buffon; but as Mr. Barton in feveral parts of his Effay appears partial to the calculations of Halley and Buffon, it is but right that his Tables should be compared with their's in this respect. However, even by Dr. Price's Table it appears, that at most of the ages above twenty the mortality is not so great in London as in Philadelphia; fo that even if it were admitted that America could furnish more numerous instances of great longevity than any other country (which is very doubtful), still it would appear highly probable, that the fum of existence enjoved by the inhabitants en gross, is but little, if any thing, more than in most other countries. The same inference may be drawn from the great proportion of inhabitants under fixteen years of age; a circumstance by no means favourable to the supposed longevity of Americans; for unless it can be proved that the annual number of births is increating, and is greater than in a country of equal population in Europe, this fact must result from a greater mortality in the advanced ages; but as the former is the mest probable, it would be improper to adopt the latter conclusion, unless it should be warranted by more correct accounts of the births and burials in America than have hitherto been published.

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ANECDOTES of ILLUSTRIOUS and EXTRAORDINARY PERSONS, PERHAPS NOT GENERALLY KNOWN.

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ANTHONY A. Wood.

WHY doth folid and ferious learning decline," fays this laborious Antiquary, "and fewe or none followe it now in the

University?

"Answer. Because of Cossee-Houses, where they spend all their time, and in entertainments at their studies and Cossee houses, are become places for Victuallers. Also great drinking at Tavernes and Ale-houses, spending their time in common chambers (whole afternoons), and thence to the Cossee house.

"Prices of Wines, fet and appointed by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford, according to which they are to be fold rateably in all measures:

"Canary Wines, Allecent and Mufcadel, one shilling and eight-pence the quart, and no more.

"Sack, and Malagoes, one shilling fix pence the quart, and no more.

French Wines, one shilling the quart, and no more.

"Rhenish Wines, one shilling fixpence the quart, and no more.

" JOHN FELL, Vice-Chanc. " October 21, 1667.

"Prices of Wines fet forth by the Vice-Chancellor, 19 February 1673.

" r. Canary Wines, Alicant and Muscatells, two shillings the quart and no more (before for several years at 25. 2d. to the great resentment of all, who to make even money, would either spend more, or give the drawer the rest. This price was raised upon pretence of carriage).

" 2. Sack and Malaga, one shilling ten-pence the quart, and no more.

"3. French Wines, one shilling the quart, and no more.

"4. Rhenish Wines, one shilling fixpence the quart, and no more.

"RA. BATHURST. Vice-Chanc." See the Life of Mr. Anthony A. Wood, written by bimfelf.

LE CHEVALIER BAYARD.

This brave and generous Frenchman being asked what legacy a father should leave to his children, replied, "La vertu & la sagesse, qui ne craignent ni pluie, ni vent, ni tempête, ni force d'homme." Valour, replied he, and Prudence, which neither are assaid of rain, nor of wind, nor of the tempest, nor

of the vower of Man.

It is faid of Bayard, that he affaulted like a Grey-hound, that he defended himfelf like a Boar, and that he ran away like a Wolf (who always retires from his purfuers with his face towards them).

His device was a Porcupine, with this

motto.

" Vires Agminis Unus habet."

One who has the power of a whole troop.

This was given to him in confequence of having fingly, and by himfelf, prevented two hundred Spaniards from

paffing a bridge.

He was mortally wounded at the battle of Biagras in 1523; and as he was reclining with his back towards a tree, and ftedfastly looking at the nummel of his fword, the celebrated Conftable of Bourbon came up to him, and with tears in his eyes was pitying his unhappy fate. The Chevalier fans peur fans reproche, for fo indeed was he defervedly named, catting his dying eyes upon him, faid, " It is you, my Lord, who are to be pitied, who have taken up arms against your King and against your Country. Recollect, that all who have acted as you have done, have perified by a tragical death. Think of this, my Lord, and receive in good part the last words of a dying man." Having faid this, he expired. His prophecy respecting the Duke of Bourbon was very completely fulfilled.

FERDINAND KING OF ARRAGON, according to the author of "Le Comines Espagnol," never ligned any Treaty without this mental reservation, "The advantage for myself; the danger and the expence for my Alliss." Some wife Nations have occasionally made Treaties, by which the advantage has been to no one, and the danger and the expence have been incurred by themselves only.

Mir. Pope.

Lord Bolingbroke shewed the first Lord Bathurst Mr. Pope's Estay upon Man, and asked him what he thought of it. "It is not Mr. Pope's," replied he; "it is not at all in his way." "Why no," faid Lord Bolingbroke, and shewed him the Sketch in prose in his own hand-writing. Lord Bolingbroke gave him the philosophy and the reasoning of it, which perhaps Mr. Pope never perfectly understood, however beautifully he has illustrated it by exquisite

powers of imagery, and by beautiful verfes. The Philosophical Letter of Lord Bolingbroke, printed at the end of his Letter to Sir William Wyndham, appears in some degree to have been the Sketch of the philosophical work. The venerable Peer thought very highly of what Lord B. shewed him, and used to say, that the Letter to Sir W Wyndham contained a very accurate account of the politics of the Pretender and of his adherents.

LORD STRAFFORD.

Archbishop Laud, in the History of his own Troubles and Trial, fays, that the day before Lord Strafford suffered, his brother-in-law, Mr. Denzel Hollis, fent to him to let him know, that if he would employ his power and credit with Charles the First to take Episcopacy out of the Church, his life should be spared; and that Lord Strafford sent word for answer, that he would not buy his life at so dear a rate.

CHARLES

"February 1, Sunday, 1623," fays Archbishop Laud, "I stood by the illustrious Prince Charles at dinner. He said, amongst other things, that if he were necessitated to take any particular profession of life, he would not be a lawyer. "I cannot," said he, "defend a bad cause, nor yield a good cause." "May you ever, most serene Prince," adds the Archbishop, "hold this resolution, and succeed in greater matters, forever prosperous."

Andrews, Bishop of Winchester, is flyled by Archbishop Laud, in his Diary, a most worthy Prelate, the light of the Christian world. "When the House of Commons," says the Archbishop, "were making Remonstrance to the King, one head of it was, Innovation of Religion. Therein they named my Lord of Winchester and myself. One of the House stood up and said, "Now we have named these persons, let us think of some causes why we did it." Sir Edward Coke answered, "Have we not named my Lord of Buckingham without shewing a cause, and may we not be as bold with them?"

LADY JANE GREY,

on passing the altar of a Roman Catholic chapel with Lady Wharton, and observing her to make a low cortley to it, asked her, whether the Lady Mary Mary was there or not? "No," replied Lady W. "but I make a curtley to Him that made us all." "Why," quoth Lady Jane, "how can He be there who made us all, and the Baker made him?" This her answer," fays Holinghed, "coming to Lady Mary's (afterwards Queen of England) ears, she did never love her after."

When Sir Thomas Pope, as Lieutenant of the Tower, was leading Lady Jane to the scassold, he desired her to give him some small present which he might keep as a perpetual memorial of her; she gave him her Table-book, where she had just written three sentences on seeing her husband's headless body carried back to the Tower in a cart. They were written, one in Greek, one in Latin, the other in English. The following lines were found in the Tower, written with a pin by this excellent woman:

" Non aliena putes homini quæ obtin-

gere possunt,

"Sors hodierna mihi, tunc erit illetibi-

"JANE DUDLEY."

DUKE OF NEWCASTIE.

This accomplished Courtier of Charles the First's time was pestered with a learned and fantastical (tho an ingenious) woman for his wife. To his friends wery foolish thing, I affure you." A fensible woman is surely an excellent thing; by a wife woman, the Duke must have meant a learned one. Juvenal, in speaking of the defects of the Ladies of his time, makes a woman of learning, or at least who thinks herself so, more troublesome and disgusting than all the rest. He says,

"Illa tamen gravior, quæ cum difcumbere cæpit,

"Laudat Virgilium, perituræ ignoscit Elizæ

"Committit vates ac comparat."

But how much harder is the husband's fate,

Link'd to a learn'd and fentimental mate,

O'er Scotia's beauteous Queen who drops the tear,

And thinks her expiation too fevere, The grace of Pope with Dryden's fire compares,

And Handel's strains with Piozzi's gentler airs.

Learning generally fits awkwardly

upon a woman, as she in general acquires it in an irregular way. She is too apt to make a great parade of the little she can most commonly know, and any raw and jejune notions and opinions she may have taken from books, she has not that opportunity of correcting, nor of fairly defecating, that men, who mix a good deal with the world, poffefs, and hence that happy tenacity of opinion to whatever has once entered into their heads. Dr. Johnson used to fay, that a man in general was much better pleased when he had a good dinner upon his table, than when his wife talked Greek; and I suppose he will have most husbands of his way of thinking .- " There is this disadvantage," faid the Doctor, "in our women's affectation of knowledge, they make a competition between husband and wife for that which should be peculiarly the husband's province."

Swift feems to have had no great opinion of the understanding of the Ladies when he fays, "A few fentences of fense snoken by a woman, have the same effect in astonishing us, that a few words spoken by a parrot have. A woman," adds he, " has never understanding enough to forgive a man for being a friend to her, that is, when he endeavours to correct her opinions, combat her prejudices, and moderate her passions." The celebrated Dr. Franklin used to say, that the best and the most ferviceable friend a man could possibly have, was a Frenchwoman of a certain age who had no defign upon his person." This was certainly true of the French Ladies under the ancienne regime of that country. they happened to know any thing, they were certainly less pedantic and troublefome with it than the women of fome other countries. They had greater knowledge of the world, and were much better-humoured, and were not fo fet up by the little they knew.

DR. FREIND.

It has been observed of English Physicians, that they have been, in general, the most elegant and polite scholars that Europe has of late produced. How beautiful is the Latinity, and how exquisite the sentiment of the following passage, in one of Dr. Freind's Treatiles respecting the condition of Women: "Misera profesto videtur, & iniqua Faminarum conditio, ut quantum generis conservatrices à Natura destinata sint cadem morbis maxima

obnoxiæ effingerentur. Quamcunque enim viræ rationem fequantur, paucæ funt quibus contigit doloris expers, & illibata fanitas quippe, fi conjugio fruantur, ex eo ipio fonte leporum, amari aliquid furgit, & larga, faltem rædia (fi nihil afperius), fecum affert graviditas. Si cælibi vitæ fe tradunt, vix ita fibi, cavere possunt, quin morbo aliquo laborent, ob id ipsum, quia non fiunt gravidæ."

The following remarks on one particular method of practice amongst our modern Physicians, are made with great classical elegance in the Preface to the new Pharmacopeia, which is in general attributed to the pen of the present learned President of the College of

Physicians of London.

"Timore ac fugă Venenorum mifere laborarunt Antiqui, quorum tamen non nifi perpauca admodum, iis innotuise pro comperto habemus. Nostris temporibus alia est, & longe dissimilis venenorum fortuna neque enim ab iis tanquam prorsus inimicis, abhorrere videtur Medicina, sed ca ad portas suas traducere, & opem eorum sociam & adjutricem exposore."

Frederic II. KING OF PRUSSIA.

When M. Le Grange, the celebrated Modern French Mathematician, had completed his Tables of the Libration of the Moon (a great defideratum in Adronomy), the King faid to him, "Oh, Monfieur Le Grange, quelle difficulté vous venez de vaincre! Vous avez reglé une dame dont la conduite a tonjours été très dereglée."

Dr. FRANKLIN.

This celebrated Philosopher's advice to a young Nobleman beginning his political career was, " Never to alk for any thing, to take whatever was given him, and never to refign." Of the celebrated Philippic pronounced against him at the Privy Council, Mr. Dunning used to say, that he had never heard more rancorous and more lowbred abuse in any Pyepowder Court. Dr. Franklin used to say of himself, that he had the misfortune when he was in England to be called an American, and when he was in America he had that of being called an Englishman, Had our idiotic Ministry paid the least regard to this great man's reprebulinels fentations, cur American would have been fettled without loss

of blood, of treasure, and of reputation. This was not certainly the late Mr. Charles Townsend's opinion.

SIR ISAAC NEWTON told Mr. Lowndes, of the Treasury, that he had never been in company with any man from whom he could not get some information. Dr. Jehnson used to say, that some Baronet told him that this great man commenced a c'amorous Insidel, but that on examining the evidence for Christianity, in a more advanced life, he had become a confirmed believer, as his writings evince.

LORD TREASURER OXFORD.

At Eyewood, near Kington, Herefordshire, there is the best portrait of this Minister that is to be seen. He is painted in his night-cap and gown. It appears to be the work of Sir Godfrey Kneller, and has much of the tone of colouring and strength of expression that one admires in his famous converted Chinese. Near it hangs a portrait of the Marquis de Guiscard, who attempted to affainnate this Minister at the Cockpit. He is drest completely à la Françoife. It has, I believe, never been engraved. At Eyewood also there is a portrait of Mr. Auditor Harley, the Treasurer's brother, with this inscrip. tion upon the roll of paper he has in his hand, " Public Accounts paffed before the year 1717 for 136,000,000l.' At the bottom of the picture is inscribed, "In the fame year the Auditor was profecuted for the fum of three shillings and four-pence, taken by one of his Clerks through inadvertency; Antiqua Virtute & Fide." So that Party has been ever confistent, the successful one ever endeavouring to depress that which is not in power.

Ann, Countess of Donset, Pem-Broke and Montgomery.

Of this extraordinary woman Dr. Donne fays, that the knew every thing from flame-filk to predefination. She is painted in the Castle of Skipton upon Craven, a castie which belonged to herfelf, and which she enlarged, as standing in her study, surrounded by herbooks. Plutarch's Lives, Comines's Memoirs, Dr. Hickes on Providence, and Cornelius Agrippa on the Vanity of the Sciences, made a conspicuous sigure amongst them.

ACCOUNT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO.

BY DR. GILLIES, AUTHOR OF THE "HISTORY OF GREECE."

[FROM SEWARD'S ANECDOTES OF DISTINGUISHED PERSONS, &c.]

(Concluded from Page 235.)

THE whole territory of the Republic extends about thirty miles in circumference. It is of an irregular oval form, and its mean diameter may be estimated at fix English miles. The foil, naturally craggy and barren, and hardly fit for goats, yet actually maintains (tuch are the attractions of Liberty) upwards of seven thousand persons; and being every-where adorned by mulberry-trees, vines, and olives, supplies the materials of an advantageous trade preticularly in silk, with Rome, Florence, and other cities of Italy.

In extent of territory, St. Marino, inconfiderable as it feems, equals many Republics that have performed mighty atchievements and purchased immortal renown. The independent States of Thespiæ and Platæa were respectively less extensive; and the boundaries of the modern Republic exceed those of Ægina and Megara; the former of which was diftinguished by its commerce and its colonies in Egypt and the East; and the latter, as Lysias and Xenophon inform us, could bring into the field, besides proportional bodies or light troops, 3000 hardy pikemen, who with the fervice of Mars united that of Ceres and of Bacchus; extracting from bleak hills and rugged mountains rich harvefts and teeming vintages.

The remembrance of our beloved Republics of Greece, ennobled by the incitimable gifts of unrivalled genius, endeared to us St. Marino even by its littleness. In this literary enthusiasm, we could willingly have traverfed every inch of its diminutive territory; but politeness required that we should not Subject Bonelli and his friends to such unnecessary fatigue; and the changeableness of the weather, a continual variation of fun-shine and cloudiness, the folemnity of dark magnifying vapours, together with the velocity of drizzly or gleamy showers, produced such unusual accidents of light and shade in this mountain scene, as often suspended the motion of our limbs, and fixed our eyes in aftonishment. From the highest top of St. Marino we beheld the bright fummit of another and far loftier moun-

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tain, towering above, and beyond, a dark cloud, which by contrast threw the conical top of the hill to such a distance, that it seemed to rise from another world. The height of St. Marino (we were told) had been accurately measured by Father Boscovich, and found to be nearly half a mile above the level of the neighbouring sea.

Almost immediately after returning from our walk, dinner was ferved at the Convent; for the politeness of Father Bonelli had prolonged his stay abroad far beyond his usual hour of repast. Speedily after dinner we were conducted by the good Father to the Converfazione of another Lady, also his relation, where we had the honour of meeting the Capitaneos, or Confuls, the Commissareo, or Chief Judge, and several distinguished Members of the Senate. Recommended only by our youth and curiofity, we spent the evening most agreeably with those respectable Magistrates, who were as communicative in answering as inquisitive in asking questions. The company continually increasing, and Father Bonelli carefully addressing all new-comers by the titles of their respective offices, we were furprifed towards the close of the evening, and the usual hour of retirement, that we had not yet feen Il Signor Duttore and Il Pædagogo Publico, the Physician and Schoolmaster, whom Mr. Addison represents as two of the most diftinguished dignitaries in the Commonwealth. A short acquaintance is fufficient to inspire confidence between congenial minds. We frankly testified our furprize to the Father. He laughed heartily at our fimplicity, and thought the joke too good not to be communicated to the company. When their vociferous mirth had subsided, an old gentleman, who had been repeatedly invested with the highest honours of his country, observed, that he well knew Mr. Addison's account of St. Marino, which had been translated more than once into the French and Italian languages. Remote and inconsiderable as they were, his ancestors were highly honoured by the notice of that illustrious traveller,

who, he understood, was not only a classic author in English, but an author who had uniformly and most successfully employed his pen in the cause of Virtue and Liberty. Yet, as must often happen to travellers, Mr. Addison, he continued, has, in speaking of this little Republic, been deceived by first appearances. Neither our Schoolmaster nor Physician enjoy any pre-eminence in the State. They are maintained indeed by public falaries, as in feveral other cities of Italy; and there is nothing peculiar in their condition here, except that the Schoolmaster has more, and the Phyfician less to do than in most other places, because our diseases are few, and our children are many. This fally having been received with approbation by the company, the veteran proceeded to explain the real distinction of ranks in St. Marino, confisting in the Nobili, Cittadini, and Stipendiate, Nobles, Citizens, and Stipendiaries. The Nobles, he told us, exceeded not twenty families, of which several enjoyed estates without the territory, worth from three to eight hundred pounds a-year sterling: That, from respect to the Holy See, under whole protection the Republic had long fubfifted quietly and happily, many persons of distinction in the Pope's territories had been admitted Cittadini Honorati, Honorary Citizens of St. Marino, particularly several illustrious houses of Rimini, and the forty noble families of Bologna. Even of the Venetian Nobles themselves, antient as they certainly were, and invested as they still continued to be with the whole fovereignty of their country, many disdained not to be affociated to the diminutive honours of St. Marino, and to increase the number of its citizens; and that this

aggregation of illustrious foreigners, fab from being confidered as dangerous to public liberty, was deemed estential, in fo small a Commonwealth, to national safety.

Lest the conversation might take another turn, I drew from my pocket Mr. Addison's account of St. Marino, which, being exceedingly short, I begged leave to read, that his errors, if he had committed any, might be corrected, and the alterations noted which the country had undergone in the space of seventy years,

from 1703 to 1773.

The proposal being obligingly accepted, I read in Mr. Addison, "They have at St. Marino five churches, and reckon above five thousand souls in their community." Instead of which I was desired to say, "They have in St. Marino, ten parishes, ten churches, and reckon above feven thousand souls in their community. Again Mr. Addison fays, "The Council of Sixty, notwithstanding its name, consists but of Forty persons." That was the case when this illustrious author vifited the Republic; but the Council has fince that time been augmented by Twenty members, and the number now agrees with the name. These circumstances are important; for from them it appears, that while the neighbouring territory of Rome is impoverished and gloomed by the dominion of ecclefiaftics, of which, in the words of Dr. Robertson, " to squeeze and to amass, not to meliorate, is the object *;" and while the neighbouring cities of Tuicany are accused of shamefully abandoning their privileges and their wealth to the Grand Duke, who, partimonicus in the extreme as to his own person and government, is thought folicitous of seconding by his heavy

* See Robertson's Charles V. Vol. I. Sect. iii. p. 157. The Doctor adds, " The Patrimony of St. Peter was worse governed than any other part of Europe; and though a generous Pontiff might suspend for a little, or counteract the effect of those vices which are peculiar to the government of Ecclefiaftics, the difease not only remained incurable, but has gone on increasing from age to age, and the decline of the state has kept pace with its progress." On reading over this passage a doubt arises whether it ought not to be expunged, as unjustly severe. Considered in one view, the dominion of the Popes was naturally prejudicial to Society; but an evil becomes a good, which prevents evils greater than itself. The authority of Popes reftrained the alternate tyranny of paramount Kings and feudal Barons. Religion, in its least perfect form, was a check to headitrong passion, and a re-Araint on ruffian violence : and should it be admitted, that the temporal government of Ecclesiastics had tended to depress the industry and populousness of their immediate dominions (a position which would require a very complex and elaborate investigation to substantiate), yet this local depression would be compensated and overbalanced by the distinguished merit of the Popes, in the prefervation, advancement, and diffusion of learning, civility, and elegant arts; to which Rome in barbarous ages, offered the only, or the fafest, alylum; and of which the still exhibits the most inestimable models.

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purse the wild projects of his brother the Emperor Joseph, the little Republic of St. Marino, on the contrary, has been increasing its populousness, confirming its strength, and extending the basis of its government. For these advantages it is indebted to its mountaineus situation, virtuous manners, and total want of ambition; which last mentioned qualities, as antient history teaches us, are far from being characteristic of Reublican government; tho a Republic that is without them, can neither subsistential the strength of the substantial of the substantial

happiness to its neighbours. In the Republics of Italy (St. Marino alone excepted), the people at large are excluded, by the circumstance of their birth, from any principal thare in the fovereignty. Instead of one Royal Master, they are subjects of 600 * petty Princes; and their condition is far less eligible than that of the fubjects of Monarchies; because the latter cannot be collectively degraded by the rank of a Monarch, which, excluding comparison, is superior to envy; and are individually intitled to aspire, by their talents and merits, to the exercise of every magiftracy, and to the enjoyment of every preferment and every honour which their King and country can bestow. The Republic of St. Marino, on the other hand, like feveral Commonwealths of Antiquity, and like fome leffer Cantons of Switzerland, for the greater are univerfally moulded after the rigid Italian model, contains what is found by experience to be a due mixture of popular government among so simple a people, and in fo small a State. The Council of Sixty is equally composed of Nobili and Cittadini, Patricians and Plebeians. This Council, which may be called the Senate, conducts the ordinary branches of public administration; but the Arengo, or Affembly of the People, containing a Representative from every house or family, is fummoned for the purpose of elections and on other important emergencies: it has always approved the decifions of the Senate. In chufing Senators and Magistrates, the respect of the citizens for hereditary worth commonly raifes the fon to the dignity before held by his father. Indeed most professions and employments descend in

lineal fuccession among this simple people; a circumstance which explains a very extraordinary fact mentioned by Mr. Addison, that in two purchases made respectively in the years 1100 and 1170, the names of the commissioners or agents, on the part of the Republic, should be the same in both transactions; though the deeds were executed at the distance of seventy years from each other.

Notwithstanding the natural and proper influence of wealth and birth and merit, the liberties and properties of individuals are incomparably more fafe in St. Marino than they can ever possibly be under the capricious tyranny of a levelling Democracy; and the people at large have the firmest security, that their superiors will not abuse their just preeminence, fince all the Plebeians of full age are trained to arms, and commanded by a fort of military tribune of their own chufing, whose employment is inferior in dignity to that of the Capitaneos or Confuls, yet altogether diftinet from the jurisdiction of those Patrician Magistrates. This important military officer is overlooked by Mr. Addison, who has also omitted to mention the Treafurer of the Republic. The business of the latter confifts in collecting and administering the public contributions, and in paying the Stipendiati or penfionaries, whose falaries, as may be imagined, are extremely moderate; that of the Commissareo or Chief Judge, amounting only to fixty pounds a-year. His income is confiderably augmented by the sportulæ or fees paid by the litigant parties; fo that his whole appointments fall little short of one hundred pounds per ann. a fum which in this primitive Commonwealth is found sufficient to support the dignity of a Chief Justice.

The laws of St. Marino are contained in a thin folio, printed at Rimini, entitled, "Statuta Illustrissima Reipublica;" and the whole history of this happy and truly illustrious, because virtuous and peaceable, community is comprised in the account of a war in which the Commonwealth affisted Pope Pius II. against Malatesta, Prince of Rimini; in the records of the purchase of two castles, with their dependent districts, in the years 1100 and 1170; and in the

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^{*} In the shop of an eminent bookseller and publisher of an antient and celebrated Republic of Italy, I was explaining to a young Patrician the nature of an English Circulating Library. Why don't you, said he, turning to the Bookseller, introduce such an institution? The other replied, Sono troppe principi—We have too many princes.

well - authenticated narrative of the foundation of the State above fourteen hundred years ago by St. Marino, a Dalmatian Architect, who, having finished with much honour the repairs of Rimini, retired to this folitary mountain, practifed the autterities of a hermit, wrought miracles, and with the affistance of a few admirers built a church and founded a city, which his reputation for fanctity speedily reared, extended, and filled with inhabitants. In the principal church, which, as well as that of the Francisans, contains some good pictures, the statue of this Saint and Lawgiver is erected near the high altar. He holds a Mountain in his hand, and is crowned with three Cafties; emblems which, from what has been above faid, appear fitly chosen for the arms of

the Republic.

Mr. Addison observes, that the origin of St. Marino must be acknowledged to be far nobler than that of Rome, which was an asylum for robbers and murderers, whereas St. Marino was the refort of persons eminent for their piety and devotion. This observation appears to me to be erroneous in two respects, decorating with unfair honours the one Republic, and heaping unmerited difgrace on the other. If piety founded St. Marino, with this piety much fuperstition was intermixed; a superstition unfriendly to the best principles of fociety, and hostile to the favourite ends of nature, preaching celibacy, and exacting mortification, the hideous offspring of ignorance and terror, detesting men as criminals, and trembling at God as a tyrant. But Rome, according to the only historian * who has circumfantially and authentically described its early transactions, was an expansion of Alba Longa, itself a Grecian colony, which, according to the immemorial and facred custom of its mother-country, diffused into new settlements the exuberance of a flourishing population produced by the wifest and most liberal institutions. According to the same admirable historian, the manly discernment of Romulus offered an alylum not merely for robbers and murderers, but for those who were threatened with murder or robbery, who spurned subjection, or fled from oppression; for amidst the lawless turbulence of ant ent Italy, the weak needed protectors against the strong, the few against the

many; and Rome, at her earliest age, already systematically assisted the weakest party; thus adopting in her infancy that politic heroism, that was destined, by firm and majorite steps, to conduct her manhood and magnity to the fair sovereignty of contenting Nations.

Both in their origin and in their progress, Rome and St. Marino ferm the natural objects, not indeed of a comparison, but of a striking contrast; and compressed as is the latter Republic between the dominions of the Pope and those of the Grand Duke, to whose fullects St. Marino is bound to allow a free passage through its territory, its citizens would deterve ridicule or pity, did they affect the character, or imitate the maxims of these magnanimous Senators, who, for the space of more than two centuries, Iwayed the politics and controuled the revolutions of the world. Convinced that their independence refults from their inlignificancy, the Senators of St. Marino finiled, when we, read in Mr Addison, "These Republicans would fell their liberties dear to any that attacked them." We had not the indelicacy to defire them to interpret this imile; or to make ourselves any comment upon it, being perfuaded, that, precarious and ihadowy as their liberty is, their rational knowledge and their virtues have enabled them to extract from it both substantial and permanent enjoyment, and make them live happier here, amidst rocks and fnows, than are their Tulcan and Roman neighbours in rich plains and warm vallies.

To the inhabitants of this little State, the Arengo, the Council, the different offices of magistracy, innocent rural labours, and military exercises equally ufeful and innecent, fupply a continual fucceifion of manly engagements. Hopes and fears respecting the safety of their country awaken curiofity and excite inquiry. They read the gazettes of Europe with interest; they study history with improvement; in conversation their questions are pertinent and their answers fatisfactory. Contrary to what has been observed by travellers of other Italians, the citizens of St. Marino delight in literary conversation; and Mr. Addison remarks, that he hardly mer with an unlettered man in their Republic. In speaking of Beccaria's book on Style, then recently published, one of

the Senators faid, that it was a treatife on style in a very bad style, abounding in falle ornaments and epigrammatic gallicism. Another observed, he wished that fashionable writer, who had been commented on by Voltaire, an author fill more fashionable and more pernicious than himfelf, would confine himfelf to fach harmless topics as rhetoric and ftyle: for his book on Crimes and Punishments was calculated to do much ferious mischief, at least to prevent much positive good; because in that popular work he had declaimed very permafively against capital punishments, in a country long difgraced by capital crimes, which were scarcely ever capitally punished.

The love of letters which distinguishes the people of St. Marino makes them regret that they are feldom vifited by literary travellers. Of our own countrymen belonging to this description, they mentioned with much respect Mr. Addison and Il Signor Giovanni Symonds, now Professor of History in the University of Cambridge. We were proud of being classed with fuch men by the honest simplicity of these virtuous Mountaineers, whom we left with regret, most heartily wishing to them the continuance of their liberties; which, to men of their character, and theirs only, are real and folid bleffings.

For let it never be forgotten, that the ineftimable gift of civil liberty may often be providentially with held, because it cannot be safely bestowed, unless rational knowledge has been attained, and virtuous habits have been acquired. In the language of the wisest man of Pagan antiquity, a great length of

time is requisite to the formation of any moderately good Government; because that Government is always the best, which is the best adapted to the genius and habits of its subjects *. The institutions which fuir the well-balanced frame of mind of the Mountaineers of St. Marine, who, breathing a purer air, feem to have divested themselves of many of the groffer and mere earthly, affections, might ill accord with the foftened tenants of the Capuan Plains: fince, according to the same penetrating fearcher into the secrets of human nature, "the inhabitants of the Fortunate Islands, if such Islands really exist, must either be the most virtuous or the most wretched of men." Aristotle hardly knew the inhabitants of the British Isles; but let us, who know ourselves and our good fortune, confide in the affurance, that this incomparable Author would no longer entertain the above geographical doubt, were he to revive in the eighteenth century, and to visit the British dominions under the government of George III. As we have long been the happiest of Nations, let us cherish the hope, that the causes of our happiness are, morally speaking, inalterable. The character of our ancestors, uniting, beyond all people on earth, firmness with humanity, gave to us our Government; and the prefervation of our Government, as it now ftands, under a Prince who is at once the Patron and the model of these virtues on which alone National prosperity can reft, forms the fureft pledge for the ftability of that character, which has long adorned, and we trust will ever adorn, the envied name of BRITON.

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INVENTION of a DRAG to prevent the Accidents which fo frequently happen to HORSES drawing LOADED CAR IS down STEEP HILLS.

BY MR. JOSEPH KNEEBONE.

In a Letter to Mr. More, Secretary to the Society for the Encourage-MENT of ARTS, &c.

[From the Thirteenth Volume of the "Transactions of the Society for the Encouragement of Arts," &c just published.]

FROM the great advantages which the public have derived from the Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce, it behoves every individual to contribute towards the further progress of those improvements which have in a great meafure been laid open by the liberal donations of this Society.

Permit me then, Sir, to present you

a model of a fimple contrivance, invented for the fafe and effectual flopping of carts, or any two-wheeled carriages, in descending steep hills, so as to take off the great burthen from the back of the shaft-horse, and to permit the carriage to descend with the greatest case and safety, and which it will do in the most mountainous country, with as much eafe as on a plain. This simple and useful contrivance, called here a Dog, or Wheel drag, was invented by Joseph Kneebone, a poor cordwainer, of this place, who, being obliged for fome time to undertake the business of a carter, was frequently diffressed in descending fleep hills; and, after a variety of contrivances, he was at last so fortunate as to complete the machine here described, which on every occasion has never failed to answer the desired purpose. have feen it tried in a variety of in-Rances; and within thefe fix months its use has become general, particularly among farmers, where nothing but real and striking advantages can induce them to a change of custom, and which I prefume is a mark of its great utility.

This contrivance may be applied to any kind of roads, and is not subject to the inconvenience of locking poles, which on rough roads, or deep ruts, are very apt to overturn carts by the fudden re-

fiftance they meet with.

Should the Society think this invention worthy their attention and patronage, the inventor, who is a poor man, with a large family, will be much obliged for any reward which they may think proper to confer on him: and I fhall feel myfelf very happy in having an opportunity of preferving and preferring to the public, a contrivance for admirably calculated to remove the danger and inconveniency of loaded carts in defending freep nills.

In order to make the description of this Wheel-drag more intelligible, I have fent you a model, made of malogany, and ikewije an imperfect drawing, with references to its different

parts.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

RICHARD MOYLE.

Marazion, Drc. 26, 1794.

MR. MORE.

The Society having thought proper (after examining the model above aliuded to) to request Mr. Moyle to obtain for them a Drag at large, the following letter was received from that gentleman, in answer to one written to him; and a trial having been made of the Drag in London, the Bonney was given to Mr. Joseph Kneeden, and both the Model and Drag are reserved in the Society's Repository, for the use of the public.

SIR,

ON the receipt of your favour of the 16th elt. I defired the fmith to make a complete Drag for a two-wheeled carriage, according to the form of those in use in this neighbourhood: he has accordingly finished it in a very workmanlike manner, and which I have fent off by this day's waggon. The fmith informs me, that enlarging the wheel, or en-creasing the length of the shoulders, gives the Drag great advantages, by making it less liable to be choaked with mud, and by giving it a facility to adapt itself to hills of little or considerable fleepness, which it does readily, by placing itself less or more forward. It does not appear that any great weight is applied to the wheel; and for that reafon, wheels made of cast-iron, with fpokes, will answer equally well, are lighter, and less expensive.

The wheel is only seven inches diameter, and the shoulders in this Drag are much longer than those in the wooden model, for the reasons before I hope it will be fufficiently given. wide to receive the London wheels, which should be easy, without pressing against its upright fides. By frequent ule, the part on which the greatest pressure is applied will be worn away, fo as to injure the machine; but in order to prevent that, it is necessary to shoe it at its first onlet, by fixing on a plate of iron (feel I should imagine better) by means of two holes in its bottom, which will always receive a fimilar piece, when it may be wanted, so that the Drag is eafly kept in good repair.

It is probable that many improvements may be made in this machine, especially in the fize and confirusion of its wheel. Suspecting that your wheels may be wider than ours, I have had this Drag made wider in its instep, its neck songer and souter, and in confequence its body of a greater length, which, with the chain and additional shoe, make it weigh eighty pounds, being twenty

| Description of the Cut of Mr. Josefu Wheel Drag for pounds heavier than any made here before.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient humble fervant.

RICHARD MOYLE.

Marazion, Feb. 2, 1795.

THIS is to certify, that we have lately made use of, and applied to our earts, a Wheel-drag, invented by Jofeph Kneebone, of Marazion in Cornwall, for the effectual stopping of twowheeled carriages in defeending freep hills, and for taking off the increased weight thrown on the shaft-horse's tack in all descents.

This inventior, which is simple and eafily applied, answers the above intentions in the completest manner, fo as to enable us to convey as much weight down the Reepest hill as on a level, and with as much ease to the shaft-horse.

We apply the Wheel-drag, on the brow of the hill, to the near-wheel, fastening it to the shaft by a chain, to prevent the wheel from paffing over it, in case of great obstacles; and we have never observed that deep ruts, or loofe stones, in any manner lessen the advan--tages which this contrivance is calculated for. Instead of a loaded cart running on the heels of the shaft-horse on descending hills, this Drag, by supporting and elevating the wheel, places it on a level, fo as to oblige the horse to draw a small burden; and in some instances, it is even necessary to link the chain-horse to the dragged wheel fide, by which means a weak horse may be placed within the shafts without any risk or danger. After the cart is defeended to the bottom of the hill, the drag is taken off, and hung at the under part of the tail of the cart, by two hooks passing through the holes in the shoulders, 1, 2.

JAMES TAMBLYN, Farmers
THOMAS ROSKILLEY, and ROBERT KESKEYS,

Two-wheeled Carriages.



a.a. a. A piece of wrought iron. curved to the exact form of a cartwheel, with the thickest part at b. on which the weight of the cart refts.

1. 2. 3. 4. are shoulders which keep the wheel within the Drag, and should be about four inches high.

C. The wheel made of folid iron, nearly as wide as the Drag, feven inches in diameter, runs on its axis at D. has a strong shoulder, and standing forward refifts the fudden jolts of rough roads.

E. The chain to be fastened to the near-shaft, to keep the Drag properly under the wheel, which from jerks might be apt to pass over the Drag, and leave it behind; this is a proper precaution, though feldom wanted if the Drag is well confiructed.

In the shoulders 1. 2. are shewn holes, by which the Drag is hung on hooks, at the under part of the tail of the cart.

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CURIOUS REMARKS ON " BISHOP BURNET'S HISTORY OF HIS OWN TIMES."

BY DR. SWIFT, THE LATE LORD HARDWICKE, AND THE LATE SPEAKER ONSLOW. (NEVER BEFORE PUBLISHED.)

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* Those Passages marked N. P. are parts in the original Manuscript of BP. BURNET's History not printed.

BURNET, p. 572. N Algernon Sydney's trial he observes, "that Finch aggravated the matter of the book, as a proof of his intentions; for he faid, " Scribere eft azere."

SWIFT. And yet King George made

him Earl of Aylesford.

BURNET, ibid. "When Sydney charged the fheriffs who brought him the execution warrant, with having packed the jury, one of the sherists wept. He told it to a person from whom Tillotson had it, who teld it to me."

SWIFT. Abominable authority!

BURNET, p. 577. " So that it was plain that after all the story which they had made of the Rye-house Plot, it had gone no further, and that a company of feditious and inconfiderable perions were framing among themselves some treasonable schemes that were never likely to come to anything."
SWIFT. Curfed partiality !

p. 579. " The King BURNET, (Charles II.) had published a story all about the Court, as a reason for his feverity against Armstrong, that he had been sent over by Cromwell to murder him beyond fea; and upon Armstrong's conviction, tho' the King promifed he would not reveal it during his life, yet now looking upon him as dead in law, he was free from that pro-

SWIFT. If the King had a mind to lie, he would have waited till Armftrong was hanged.

BURNET, p. 585. " Finding the difficulty of discovering any thing, and in confidence, I faved myself out of thefe difficulties by faying to all my friends, that I would not be involved in any such confidence; for as long as Lthought our circumstances were such

that refistance was not lawful, I thought the concealing any defign in order to it was likewise unlawful.

SWIFT. Jefuitical !

BURNET, p. 586. "Baillie Suffered feveral hardships and fines for being supposed to be in the Rychonie Plot, yet during this he feemed fo composed, and ever so cheerful, that his behaviour looked like the revival of the spirit of the noblest Greeks and Romans.'

Swift. Take notice, he was our

BURNET, p. 587. Speaking of Bail-lie's execution, he fays, "The only excuse there was ever pretended for this infamous profecution was, that they were fure he was guilty, and that the whole fecret of the negotiation between the two kingdoms was trufted to him, and fince he would not discover it. all methods might be taken to destroy

SWIFT. Case of the Bishop of Rochester.

BURNET, p. 588. " Lord Perth wanting to fee Leighton, I wrote fo earnefly to him that he came to London; and on his coming up was amazed to fee a man of feventy years of age look to well and fresh, as if time feemed to stand still with him; and yet the next day both speech and fense left him, and he continued panting about twelve hours, and then died without pang or convulsion."

SWIFT. Burnet killed him by bringing him up to London.

BURNET, p. 589. "There were two remarkable circumstances in Leighton's death. He used often to say, that if he were to chuse a place to die in, it should be an inn, it looking like a pilgrim's going home, to whom this world was all an inn, and who was weary of the noise and confusion of it. He added, that the officious tenderness of his friends was an entanglement to a dying man, and that the unconcerned attendance of those that could be procured in such a place would give less disturbance. He had his wish.

SWIFT. Canting puppy.

BURNET, p. 590. "Stearne Archbishop of York died this year (1684), in the 86th year of his age. He was a four ill-tempered man, and minded chiefly to enrich his family."

SWIFT. And yet he was thought to be the author of The Whole Duty of

Man.

Burnet, p. 596. "Being appointed to preach the sermon of the Gunpowder Plot (1684), at the Rolls Chapel, I took for my text, "Save me from the lion's mouth; thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorn."—I made no reslections in my thoughts on the lion and unicorn, as being the two supporters of the King's escutcheon, for I ever hated all points of that fort as a profanation of Scriptures."

SWIFT. I doubt that.

Speaking of the suspicion of Charles II. being poisoned-" Needham called twice to have the stomach opened, but the furgeons seemed not to hear him; and when he moved it a fecond time, as he told me, heard Lower fay to one that stood next him, "Needham will undo us, calling thus to have the stomach opened, for he may fee they will not do it." They were diverted to look to somewhat else; and when they returned to look upon the stomach, it was carried away, so that it was never viewed. Le Fevre, a French physician, told me, he faw a blackness in the shoulder, upon which he made an incision, and faw it was all mortified. Short, another physician, who was a Papist, but after a form of his own, did very much suspect foul dealing, and

he had talked more freely of it than any of the Protestants durst do at that time *."

SWIFT. A physician told me, who had it from Short himself, that he believed him to be poisoned.

BURNET, p. ibid. concluding the character of Charles II.—" His person and temper, his vices as well as his fortunes, resemble the character that we have given us of Tiberius fo much, that it were easy to draw the parallel between them. Tiberius's banish. ment, and his coming afterwards to reign, makes the comparison in that respect pretty near-his hating of businefs, and love of pleafures-his raising of tavourites and trusting them entirely, and then his putting them down and hating them exceffively-his art of covering deep defigns, particularly of revenge, with an appearance of foftness, brings them fo near a likeness, that I did not wonder much to observe the refemblance of their faces and persons. At Rome I saw one of the last statues made for Tiberius after he had loft his teeth; but bating the alteration which that made, it was folike King Charles, that Prince Borghese and Signior Dominica, to whom it belonged, did agree with me in thinking that it looked like a statue made for him."

SWIFT. He was certainly a very bad Prince, but not to the degree deferibed in this character, which is poorly drawn and mingled with malice, very unworthy an historian —the ftyle is likewife abominable, as is the whole history of observations trite and vul-

gar.

BURNET, p. 651. "Goodenough, who had been Under-Sheriff of London when Cornish was Sheriff, offered to swear against Cornish, and also said, that Rumsey had not discovered all he knew. So Rumsey, to save himself and Goodenough, swore against Cornish, and he

* The following note is added in a loose sheet of paper to the original: When the Duchess of Portsmouth came over to England in the year 1699, Mr. Henley, of Hampshire, hearing that she had talked much of King Charles being poisoned, was desirous of having it from her own mouth, of which she gave him the following account: "That she was always pressing the King to make both himself and his people easy, and to come to a full agreement with his Parliament; and he was come to a final resolution of sending away his Brother, and calling a Parliament; which was to be executed next day; after which he fell into that sit of which he died." She was entrusted with the King's secret, and spoke of it to no person but to her Confession—but the Confessor, she believed, told it to some one, who seeing what was so sollow, took that wicked course to prevent it.

was feized on, tried, and executed in a

Swift. Goodenough afterwards went to Ireland, practifed the law, and died there.

BURNET, p. 654. "The Archbishop of Armagh" (1685) had continued Lord Chancellor of Ireland, and was in all respects so complaisant to the Court, that even his religion became suspected."

SWIFT. Falle !

Burnet, ibid. "And yet this Archbishop was not thought thoroughpaced;—so Sir Charles Porter, who was a zealous promoter of every thing the King proposed, and was a man of ready wit, and being poor, was thought a person fit to be made a tool of, was declared Lord Chancellor of Ireland;

SWIFT. False and scandalous.

BURNET, p. 669. "Solicitor-General Finch † had been continued in this employment only to lay the load of this judgment upon him (the profecution of Lord De la Mere). He was prefently after turned out, and Powis succeeded him, who was a compliant, young, aspiring lawyer."

SWIFT. Sir Thomas Powis-a good

dull lawyer.

BURNET, p. 672. "Intimations were every where given that the King would not have the Diffenters or their meetings diffurbed. Some of them began to grow infolent upon this show of favour."

SWIFT. The whole body of them grew infolent and complying to the

King.

BURNET, p. 675. "Sancroft lay filent at Lambeth. He feemed zealous against popery in private discourse, but he was of such a timorous temper, and so set on the enriching bis nephew, that he shewed no fort of courage."

SWIFT. False as hell.

This charge of avarice against Sancroft feems to be by no means founded, as it is very improbable that a man who loved money beyond the bounds moderation, would give up the revenues of the Archbishopric of Canterbury for conscience sake. But the cause of Burnet's dislike to Sancroft, perhaps, will be found in another part of his History, where he states the Archbishop's demurring to his (Burnet's) confecration-his words are as follow: "When I waited on the Queen, on my promotion to the Bishopric of Salifbury, the faid, the hoped I would now put in practice those notions with which I had taken the liberty often to entertain her. All the forms of the Congé d'Elire and my election were carried on with dispatch, but a great difficulty was in view-Sancroft would not see me, and be refused to consecrate me. So by law, when the mandate was brought to him, upon not obeying it, he must have been fued in praemunire, and for some days he seemed to venture that; but as the danger came near he prevented it, by granting a commission. to all the Bishops in his province, or to any three of them, in conjunction with the Bishop of London, to exercise his metropolitical authority during pleafure. Thus he did authorife others to confecrate me, while yet he feemed to think it an unlawful act."

* Michael Boyle, who, when Archbishop of Dublin, was made Chancellor soon after the Restoration (1665), and continued in that office to January 1686, during which time he was raised to the Archbishopric of Armagh.

† Notwithstanding this character of Sir Charles Porter, King James did not think him thorough paced enough to carry on his views in Ireland; accordingly, he remained in office but one year, and was succeeded as Chancellor by Sir Alexander Fitter a man every way

qualified to stretch both Law and Gospel to Court purposes .- EDITOR.

† The first rise of Finch was owing to the talents he shewed in the House of Commons (1701), in offering an alteration to the clause abjuring the Prince of Walcs, so that it imported an obligation not to assist imported an obligation not to assist imported an obligation not selfion, contrary to all the rules and practice of the House of Commons. He was called up to the Upper House next year, along with Gower, Granville, and Seymour, who were all made Barons, to strengthen the majorities in that House, where the numbers ran so even the preceding Session, that objects of the greatest consequence were frequently carried only by one or two voices. Towards the latter end of the Queen's reign, she created twelve new Peers on a similar occasion.

BURNET,

Burnet, p. 681. "The Epifcopal Clergy were in many places fo funk in floth and ignorance, that they were not capable of conducting their zeal; but the Preflyterians, though fmarting under great feverities, expressed on all occasions their unconquerable aversion to popery.

SWIFT. Partial dog!

BURNET, p. 690. Speaking of King William's character, he fays, "he had no vice but one fort, in which he was very cours and fecret."

SWIFT. It was of two forts—male and female—in the former he was neither

cautious nor fecret.

What Burnet himself alludes to, no doubt, was King William's connection with Mrs. Villiers, but his expressing it in fo mysterious a manner, we have always thought, has aided the malice of the King's enemies, in imputing to him a vice of a heinous nature. As to Swist's observation, we are to trace it to the King's neglect of him after the death of Sir William Temple, and partly to those Tory principles which biasted his political character through the best part of his life,—Editor.

Burnet, p. 691. "In a conversation with the Prince of Orange at the Hague (1686), when I told him my opinion of toleration, he said, "that was all he would ever attempt to bring us to, for quieting our contentions at home."

SWIFT. So, it seems the Prince even then thought of being King.

BURNET, p. 692. "The advice I gave the Princess of Orange when Queen of England, was to endeavour to get the power of King to the Prince for life, for this would lay the greatest obligation on him possible, and lay the foundation of a perfect union between them, which had of late been a little embroiled."

SWIFT. On account of Mrs. Villiers, now Lady Orkney; but he proved a danned bufband for all that,

This character of Swift's cannot be fairly inferred from the general conduct of the King; on the contrary, the Queen upon all occasions bore testimony

of her very great affection towards him, infomuch that she absolutely refused the crown except the Prince was joined with her. After the King's death too, it was discovered he constantly wore upon his left arm a black ribband, to which was affixed a ring, containing some hair of his late Queen; a circumstance which being unknown before to any of his attendants, could not be supposed to be an act of hypocrify.—EDITOR.

BURNET, p. 693. "Penn, the Quaker, was a talking, vain man, who had been long in the King's favour, he being the Vice-Admiral's fon."

SWIFT. He spoke very agreeably,

and with much spirit.

Burnet, p. 695. "Cartwright was promoted to Chefter. He was a man of good capacity, and had made fome progress in learning. He was ambitious and fervile, cruei and boifterous, and by the great liberties he allowed himfelf, he fell under much scandal of the worst fort."

SWIFT. Only fodomy.

He was afterwards nominated to Salifbury, but he fled, as 'tis stated in the Political Index to the Histories of Great Britain and Ireland, probably on a charge of the crime imputed to him by Switt,—Editor.

BURNET, p. 697. "In all nations the privileges of Colleges and Universities are effected fuch facred things, that few will venture to disturb them."

SWIFT. Yet in King George's Reign Oxford was infulted with troops for no manner of cause but their steadiness to

the Church.

Burnet, p. 701. Speaking of King James's proceedings againft the Univerfities, and that feveral of the Clergy wrote over to the Prince of Orange to engage in their quarrel, he adds—"When that was communicated to me, I was fill of opinion that this was an act of despote and arbitrary power; yet I did not think it firtuck at the whole, so that it was not, in my opinion, a lawful case of resistance."

SWIFT. He was a better Tory than

I, if he spoke as he thought.

(To be continued occasionally.)

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To the EDITOR of the EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

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To have encouraged genius in its earliest dawn, is to have deserved well of the public; but to have fostered fuch an one as that of Captain Cook, the Navigator, is a circumstance not to be omitted in the memoirs of any man whose life is thought worthy to be recorded; yet the Biographer of Admimiral Graves, in your September Magazine, has omitted to fay how confiderable a share he had in bringing Capt. Cook's splendid abilities into public notice. Let me supply the defect from the "Biographia Britannica," and in fo doing state what is also forgotten, that the Admiral was a second time appointed Governor of Newfoundland.

Sir Hugh Pallifer was indeed his first patron, got him appointed a mafter, and employed him in fome very difficult bufiness in the River St. Lawrence, at the famous fiege of Quebec in 1759, from whence he went in Lord Colvill's ship to Newfoundland, "where," fays Dr. Kippis, "he manifested a diligence in furveying the harbour and heights of the place, which arrested the attention of Captain (now Admiral) Graves, commander of the Antelope, and Governor of Newfoundland. The Governor was hence induced to ask Cook a variety of queftions, from the answers to which he was led to entertain a veryfavourable opinion

of his abilities *. His opinion was increafed the more he faw of Mr. Cook's conduct, who, wherever they went, continued to display the most unremitting attention to every object that related to the knowledge of the coast, and which was calculated to facilitate navigation. Mr. Cook returned to England in 1762. Early in 1763, after the peace with France and Spain was concluded, it was determined that Captain Graves sould go out again as Governor of Newfoundland .- The Captain obtained an establishment for the survey of its coasts with some difficulty. In considering the execution of the plan, Mr. Cook appeared to Capt. Graves to be a proper person for the purpose, and proposals were made to him, which he accepted."

This led to his subsequent appointment to the command of the Endeavour, on the famous voyage of discovery.

P.S. By the way, I do not fee that Dr. Kippis has noticed Hawkefworth's omission of the mention of Providence in one of Captain Cook's wonderful escapes—an omission which gave such just cause of offence at the time to all serious persons.

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Quid sie pulcbrum, quid turpe, quid utile, quid non.

Philosophical Sketches on the Principles of Society and Government. 8vo. Elmsley, Strand. 1795.

THIS little political tract is written, gance, accuracy, and moderation. It as becomes a work that proceeds from alma mater academia, with elenot fo simple and felf-evident a feience

* From this statement it should seem, that the notice he took of Cook was not in consequence of any previous recommendation, but from his own observation of his ability.

as some noify and blundering zealots affert; that there is required much previous instruction to comprehend it; much fagacity to trace the probable consequences of its regulations; and no less vigour and skill to apply them for the benefit of mankind. It evinces theoretically, what four years of melancholy experience has in a neighbouring kingdom demonstrated in practice, " That a mere perusal of a treatife of Government will not qualify a man for a Statesman, any more than the recital of a line in Homer will constitute him a scholar. There are various intermediate steps, there are innumerable remote connections, with which he must be familiarly acquainted; and without which he may indeed exercise his reason on the subject, but it will ferve, like an ignis fatuus, to deceive and millead him."

These Sketches are divided into Two Parts: the first treats of Society, the other of Government. Society is confidered in fix Sketches, and Government in the remaining nine. The first fix Sketches discuss very briefly, but clearly, A state of Nature; A state of Association; The necessity of attending to the distinction between Power and Right; The origin and necessity of Laws; Rights particularly; and the neverfity of fecuring by some mode the enjoyment of

Rights.

The first four Sketches of Part the Second treat of The different modes of fecuring the enjoyment of Rights: the next four of The necessity and nature of Delegation; of the incompetency of simple Delegation, and of its Remedies, and of the Objections to fuch Remedies: and the last nates A final Remedy for any farther Incompetency.

That our readers may be enabled to form fome judgment of the principles on which our Author reasons, and of his manner of supporting them, we will extract from his work the whole of the first Sketch without mutilation or criticism.

" OF A STATE OF NATURE."

" Upon taking a view of animated

beings, the property which appears most conspicuous in them, is energy, or the capability of exertion. This property, which is original and inherent in all animals, refulting from their peculiar conformation, I denominate power. Life, and the feveral limbs or parts of an animal, which form and conftiture the animal itself, I term the natural possessions of the animal, as contradistinguished from those which are acquired, and retained by virtue of its energy or power. The talons of an eagle are an example of the first kind of possessions, and whatever is held within those talons affords an instance of the second.

" Right confifts in the permission to exercise power. In the most simple acceptation of the word, it is that which belongs to any being; that which he can claim under the guarantec and authority of fome superior

power.

"Right is distinct from possession: a being may possess what he has no right to, and have a right to that which he does not possess.

"Right is always relative to, and respects, some other being or set of

" From these premises the following conclusions may be drawn.

" First, that right is not a natural

endowment of any being.

" Secondly, that it is acquired, and refults from the fituation with respect to one another, in which the beings who possess it happen to be placed : in other words, that it is the offspring of Society.

" To ascertain the truth of these conclusions, it will be necessary to take a view of animals in the two different conditions - a flate of Nature, and a flate

of Affociation.

" A flate of Nature, confidered with respect to animals in general, is the condition in which they exist, so long as their actions are folely or principally under the guidance of inftinct. applied to man in particular, it may be defined, that state in which he existed previously to the construction of artificial laws: or, which is precifely

There is no fuch thing as absolute right: considered with respect to the Deity, the germ is not in ftrictness applicable; his attributes are all powers; and, with regard to created beings, it must be always relative, fince those beings themselves are entirely dependent upon the Deity, forming a part only of the great system of creation, and have nothing therefore absolutely belonging to them, !

the same thing, that state which preceled the institution of society *.

"According to the preceding definition, a flate of nature was a flate of universal liberty.—Man, in common with every other form of existence, had the full liberty to do whatsoever he

had the power to accomplish.

"The liberty to act was unlimited; but as one being had equally the liberty to prevent an action, that another had to act, the action itself, in any individual, became proportionably limited, and was only as the furplus of the exertion over and above what was necessary to overcome the obsacles to the action.

"The action would therefore be directly as the power; but the power being at all times a varying quantity. could never be estimated one moment forward; the liberty itself was confequently precarious, and even liable to total annihilation. It was a liberty to act, provided nothing prevented the action from taking place: now a liberty to act without the means of removing the obstacles which may prevent an action, is at best but ideal liberty, and refembles that of a man who has obtained leave to walk in a garden, but is in the mean time, and without his knowledge, deprived of the key to unlock the door.

"Everything in the state of nature was common to all; where then was the right of individuals to anything? It may be said perhaps, that animals, in such a state, would have a right to the possession of their own limbs, &c.; but I reply, that whatever be the nature of the supposed right which one animal might have to its limbs, every other animal would, in a like acceptation of the term, equally have a right to the same; and that the existence of equal rights, in different individuals, at the same time, and respecting the same thing, involve an absurdity; as, in

posite directions, destroy each other."
"Has the misletoe, for instance, a less right to the juices of the oak

mechanics, equal forces, acting in op-

than the oak itself has? Has the fly a less right to the blood of the horse than the horse itself? Where every being has a right to every thing, no being can have a right to any thing.

"Could a fly claim a right to its limbs, when entrapped in the nets of a spider? or could a spider claim a right to the fly, if a bird was determined to seize them both? Could any savage claim a right to a district from which a stronger savage had driven him away?

"What right have you, he would fay, to drive me from my possession?

"What right have you, fays the other, to that possession?

"Chance, replies the first, led my fleps thither; it belongs to me, because I inhabit it: and land belongs to the

first occupier.

"What is the right of the first occupier? replies the other. If chance first led you to this spot, the same chance has given me the force necessary to drive you from it. Which of these two rights deferves the preference ? Would you know all the superiority of mine? Look up to heaven, and fee the eagle that darts upon the dove: turn thine eyes to the earth, and fee the lion that preys upon the stag : look towards the fea, and behold the gold-fish devoured by the flark. All things in nature shew that the weak is a prey to the powerful. Force is the gift of the gcds; by that I have a right to poffefs all that I can feize. Heaven, by giving me thefe nervous arms, has declared its will. Begone from hence, yield to superior force, or dare the com-

"Right then, being equal in all, existed really in none; but possession, whether natural or acquired, was always liable to be transferred to the strongest.

"The whole, therefore, refolves itfelf into *Power*; and I conclude that, preceding Society, *Right* had no existence, and consequently that it is not a natural endowment of any being."

We have extracted this complete

* "It is curious to observe, however, that this identity holds true with regard to Man only. Various animals live constantly in a state of society, and require no other laws than those which nature has ordained; Man, on the contrary, is compelled to form laws and regulations peculiar to himself, and consequently to emerge from a state of nature, ere he can form an affociation sufficiently regular and extensive to deserve the title of Civil Society.

* " Helvetius,

Section from our Author's Disquisition, as well because it is a fair specimen of his manner of explaining and offablishing his system, as because it shews incontrovertibly the true value of that plenitude of privileges, with which Man is faid to be vested by the charter of nature. To hear some men reason. one would be led to conclude, that to be freed from the shackles of civilized fociety, is to be equal to Kings and Princes: whereas in truth it is to be a flave and, what is the most anxious species of bondage, a flave without knowing one's master.

To the first animal a man meets with stronger or more vigilant than himfelf, his possessions, his liberty, his life become a prey. Happily this flate of nature is not the natural condition of man. Providence has not intended us this injury. We are all born in some focial condition; even a flender horde of families, a migratory crew, can subdue many kinds of calamity, which would overwhelm the isolated indivi-To break these bonds, which Arengthen infinitely more than they restrain; to seek this ideal state of nature, in which, were he able to possess it, no human being could probably furvive a month, is worse than folly and madness; it is deliberate and malignant depravity. Yet is the perpetration of this cruel violence attempted by all who endeavour to subvert one Government, without substituting immediately another to succeed it; and as this is in fact impracticable, those are really guilty of the same crime who aim at any other changes in a State than fuch as are progressive and gradual. France stands forward a bloody witness of this fatal truth. She is far more favage than a state of Nature to her deluded inhabitants; is armed with the irrefistible force of millions only to oppress; and leaves as a helpless spoil to the wild tenants of the forest, the regions on which she ceases to frown.

Having given to copious an extract from the first part of this work, which treats of the theory of Rights, we have room only for a thort account of the fecond part, in which the Rights themfelves are examined.

Our Author divides the inhabitants of a country into three classes: those which have little more than natural possessions; those which have, moreever, moveable acquired possessions;

and those which have acquired immoveable. Here he shews very justly, that opposition to a favourite opposition to a favourite opinion of French philosophers, which they have lately found it necessary to modify, that every man is not equally concerned in the general interests of the community: The man who has little more than natural possessions, which he can remove at pleasure, is not equally interested with him who has also a portion of acquired property; nor is the interest of this last equal to his who has besides a quantity of immoveable poffessions or land. The defire of happiness is doubtless the same in all three, and the acquisition of it of equal importance; and for that very reason, since the means are different in each, and as they are not equally acquainted with them, nor equally interested in their application, it becomes necoffary to render the interference of different individuals unequal. Opinions should be weighed, not numbered; and to gather the fense of a civilized nation by numerical estimation is not only erroneous, but destructive. For as the possessions of one class are always coveted by the individuals of another, there is a constant tendency to anarchy and violence, which nothing but the balance of power, maintained in equilibrio between those who have some property and those who have none, can reprefs and controul.

In the ninth Sketch our Author confiders briefly the merits of the French Conflitution; that which was formed by the Constituent Assembly of 1789, and accepted by the nation in 1791. The defects he finds in it, confidering it abstractedly, and without any reference to the trial it experienced, are. first, that it rests upon what are called Rights in a state of Nature, which have been proved already to have no existence; fecondly, that the Aristocracy, which alone has any interest in the preservation of the Constitution, is destitute of the means of supporting itself, and must sooner or later be absorbed in the general mass; thirdly, that the Constitution allows more liberty than it can guarantee and enfure, and thus fets its own existence at hazard, whenever the demands on liberty exceed the power of supply. Our Author refers lastly to experience, and to the mournful events which succeeded the Revolution. and concludes his examination with this

animated apostrophe.

" Where,

"Where, it may be now asked, are the Members of the Conflituent Affembly? - that combination of talents which fo justly excited the admiration of Europe! Where is the liberty they promifed to their country? Where is the happiness they looked to for themfelves? Banished from their country, whose interest they espoused! or murdered by their countrymen, whose cause they stood forward to promote ! they furnish us with a dreadful instance of the fatal effects of committing power into the hands of those who are unacquainted with its nature, and unaccustomed to its use."

Magna petis, Phaëton, & quæ non viribus istis

Munera conveniant.

In confidering the necessity and nature of Delegation, this writer maintains, in opposition to the common opirion, that dividing the principal interests of a nation into the personal, the commercial, and the landed, the proportion of deputies or advocates for each ought not to be directly as the importance of that interest, joined to the number of individuals concerned in it; but, if the importance of the interest be the same, directly as the difficulty of preserving it. For, says he, as the purpose of the deputation is to carry into effect the immediate objects for which they affociated, in order to preferve equally all the interefts, it is necessary to render the power of every interest as equal as possible; and, by proportioning the number of advocates, to give such artificial strength to one, as shall enable it to oppose the absolute strength of others.

Hence our Author infers, that perfonal interest, though it claims the principal care of fociety, ought to have no feparate advocates in its favour. For as every one is equally interested in its preservation, it is necessarily and fully represented by the deputies from the other interests; and therefore to allow them this privilege would be superfuois, useless, and unsafe. Our Author infers farther, that, dividing the deputation between the commercial interest and the landed, care should be taken that the preponderating influence be at all times in favour of the latter; because their possessions are not moveable, and their whole happiness must center in promoting the welfare of their own nation.

The twelfth Sketch states the incompetency of simple Delegation, and shews incontestibly, that the stability of the laws, refting folely in that cafe on the opinion of the majority of the existing members, one fingle majority, however obtained, may pave the way for the total overthrow of the Constitution. There is neither fafety in fuch a state of things, nor quiet and fecurity. The only effectual remedy, as he thinks, to these evils, is a limited Aristocracy; the advantages of which he first states. and then very dispassionately confiders the objections to it under the three heads of the danger, the folly, and the injustice of such an establishment. To these he replies with equal truth and acuteness; and having erected his Aristocracy upon a folid basis, employs his last cares to secure it from decay and diffolution. This he does in the concluding Sketch, by the appointment of a Supreme Magistrate, who, furnishing the civil mechanism with intellect, and combining in one the interests of every part, directs and regulates the movement of the whole.

In reviewing compositions like this now before us, we are led to conclude with Mr. Hume, that Politics may be reduced to a science, which in the reafonings and conduct of too many at present seem a philosopher's Rone or a perpetual motion, the pursuit of wild theorists or artful projectors. Those vain attempts in chemistry and mechanics contributed, however indirectly, to the advancement of the sciences which supplied their materials; and in political disquisitions and exertions, to possess moderation in temper, and difcretion in change, if it be not the fame thing, is better than to realize the idea

of a perfect Commonwealth.

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Letters, containing a Sketch of the Scenes which passed in various Departments of France during the Tyranny of Robespiere, and of the Events which took place in Paris on the 28th of July 1794. By Helen Maria Williams. Vol. III. London. Robinsons, pp. 233.

THE most prominent feature in the two last volumes of Miss Williams, on the Anarchy of France, is, the enormity of those atrocities which were committed by so many of the French nation. That horrid feature is in this volume still more marked. The gloom is aggravated. The storm falls with more tremendous fury. It is the tyranny of Robespierre that darkens the sky, and convolves the elements in ruinous fermentation.

"The cities of Paris and Lyons, and the department of the Vendee, were not the only scenes of horror which France exhibited during the tyranny of Robefpierre. Alas! there was scarcely a valley of that desolated country "whose stowers were not bruised with the tread of hostile paces!" Robespiere could not have so long maintained his iron sceptre, had he not found, to use the words of Shakespeare,

66 Slaves that took his humours for a war-

"To break into the bloody house of life;

"And, on the winking of authority,
"To understand a law."——

"While Carrier ravaged the country of the West, and Collot d'Herbois laid the opulent city of the East in ashes, Le Bon hung like a destroying vulture over the North, feasting his savage soul with the fight of mangled carcales; and Maignet consumed the lovely villages of

the South in the flames of a general

conflagration.

" At one time eight hundred persons of both sexes, and of different ages, from fifteen to fourscore, were precipitated into the river. Where the love of life discovered itself in these unfortunate victims, by clinging to the barges, when in the struggle their hands became untied, the murderers amused themselves with cutting them with their fabres, or knocking them on the head with their poles. Some of those victims were deftined to die a thousand deaths; innocent young women were unclothed in the presence of the monflers; and, to add a deeper horror to this infernal act of cruelty, were tied to young men, and

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both were cut down with fabres, or thrown into the river: and this kind of murder was called a republican mar-

"But noyades were not the only mode of murder: the fufillades were introduced at Nantz, as they had been practifed at Lyons. Men, women in a ftate of pregnancy, boys, and girls, were killed with the bayonet, or shot without discrimination, and without the for-

mality of a sentence.

A young married woman of rank, who was put into the fufillades with her husband, although she received three balls in her body, was found alive the next morning by those who came to throw the dead into the pits. She had fufficient strength to implore their mercy, and they had the humanity to refer her case to the commissary. The commissary at first ordered the sentence to be again put in execution; but, falling at his feet, the represented the injustice and cruelty of making her undergo a fecond death, and that the unskilfulnessor negligence of the executioners ought not to subject her again to punishment. The commissary was fostened, and consented that her life should be spared, provided that she would become a fick nurse in the hospitals, where the person who related the anecdote to me faw her employed."

In the character of critics, we cannot certainly approve the extreme floridity, the Afiatic twell of Miss Williams's stile and manner; nor can we help observing, that her descriptions would have had a better effect had the contented herfelf with simple attention to facts and circumstances, and had been more sparing of her own fentiments and reflections. Females in general affect a greater colouring and tinsel ornament in their style than men, as they do in their drefs. How interesting, yet how simple, the narrative of Robinson Crusoe, and the story of Joseph and his brethren in the Sacred Scriptures! Yet with all this defect in ftyle, this is a very interesting Volume, and excites the attentive mind to various

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but most to the French nation. It is possible that some exaggerations may have flipped into the reports that came

reflections humiliating to human nature, to the ears of Miss Williams, but we have not a doubt of her veracity, or the fincerity of her intentions.

Confiderations on the Practicability and Advantages of a more speedy Communication between Great Britain and her Post stions in India, with the Outline of a Plan for the more ready Conveyance of Intelligence over Land by the Way of Suez; and an Appendix, containing Instructions for travelling to India by different Routes in Europe as well as Asia. By John Taylor, Esq. Captain in the Honourable Company's Military Establishment at Bombay. Murray and Highley, pp. 84. 4to. Price 4s. 1795.

CAPTAIN Taylor having experienced the difficulties and delays which impede the conveyance of intelligence by the way of Baffora, was led to confider whether a more eligible route might not be adopted for the intercourse over land between Great Britain and India. In August 1789, he made the journey from England to Bombay, by the Great Defart, in charge of the Company's dispatches. With every exertion on his part to expedite the journey, fuch were the unavoidable procrastinations he had to encounter, that it required fix months to complete it. The nature of these delays he particularly describes.

Soon after his return to India, and while the impression of the difficulties of the journey by Bassora was recent, he drew up " Some Considerations on the Propriety and Practicability of fending Dispatches from India, by the Way of Suez, and from India to England by the fame Route." Thefe were prefented to Major General Abercrombie, Governor of Bombay, accompanied by an offer to make the attempt in one of the Company's cruizers. The General accepted the proposal, and an armed vessel belonging to the Company was detained on the coast of Malabar from November 1790, till February 1791, for the fole purpose of conveying the Captain to Sucz with public dispatches. It happened, however, that no event occurred in that interval of sufficient importance to require a particular difpatch; and the feafon having elapfed, and new events given occasion to new cares and occupations, the execution of Captain Taylor's defign was fufmended.

The Captain's plan of communication between Britain and India, which he lays down in a very clear and intelligible manner, and recommends by many powerful confiderations of humanity and of policy, appears to us to be as practicable as it would be advantageous; and, what is of more importance, to General Abercrombie, and also, we understand, to Colonel Capper, a celebrated Geographer.

The Appendix is not only interesting and uleful to travellers, but contains a great variety of matter that cannot but appear curious, and furnish a very high degree of amusement to readers of

all denominations.

ANECDOTES OF THE AUTHOR.

BY "Memoirs of the late War in Afia," we are informed, that this gentleman is a very meritorious officer in the service of the East India Company; and that, in the fervice of the Company and his country in general, he has fuffered very much both in his person and property. He was commisfary to the army on the Malabar Coaft, under the Colonels Humberston and Macleod; and in that character, when there was great danger of mutiny for want of pay and provisions, by his own credit and ready money contributed very much to the integrity and prefervation of the army. A claim for reimbursement or indemnification met with opposition, as usual in such cases, from the Company. A law plea ensued, which is not yet terminated.

Rosina, a Novel. In Five Volumes. By the Author of Delia. Lane, Leadenhall-street.

WRITINGS which exhibit fcenes of human life with any degree of accuracy, in which fuffering VIRIUE is finally rewarded, and VICE, the transently triumphant, is punished and difgraced, merit approbation, inafmuch as they tend to improve the morality of the mind, and increase the rational senfibility of the heart. Of this description is the work at present under our review. The story, tho' simple, is highly interesting, and the incidents of it, which are numerous, are very claifically arranged; the language is correct and elegant throughout, and in many parts not only beautiful but sublime. As a proof of this observation we shall extract part of a conversation between Rofina and Mr. Pitzofborne, who is endeavouring to persuade her to facrifice her happinels to his interested motives, by conferring to a difagreeable and difgraceful union, merely because it was advantageous in a pecuniary point of view.

FITZOSBORNE. " Interest is the great stimulus of focial life, the vivifying principle which gives energy to every exertion of genius, every effort of what men call virtue!"
"Virtue!" repeated Rosina.

"Yes, bring it to the test. Would the foldier purfue a shining phantom of unsubstantial honour through scenes of danger and difmay, of carnage and defiruction, were he to reap no spoil in the field of glory but the unprofitable laurel? When the churchman beholds the mitre just hovering in his view, though yet beyond his grasp, how vociferoully does he declaim on the deformity of vice! how enthusiastic the reverence he expresses for the charms of virtue! Let the mitre drop on his head, his lips become fealed as if by a talif-Whilst he lolls in the voluptuous apathy of state, virtue may be opprest, vice may triumph, it matters not to him; his eloquence has attained its purposed point,-the mitre is on his head. When you hear the parliamentary orator thundering out his patriotic declamation, and, in a strain of prophetic lamentation, bewailing the calamity of his devoted country, do you imagine him to be really affected by these calanites, chiefly imaginary, and enumerated in the view of displaying his oratorical abilities, exciting tumulis

amongst the populace, attracting the attention of the higher powers, and ultimately of rendering himself of confequence to be bought off? Pursue this illufive femblance of virtue, which dazzles with unreal splendor, trace it through every department of life, and you will find it equally empty and vifionary in all. See, I throw new lights on your mind: I ftrip the world of its borrowed hues, and display it to your view in its native colours. Interest is the primum mobile of every thing and the woman who has understanding will confult her head in the choice of a hufband, though the may fuffer her heart to direct her in that of a lover."

Rofina for a time fat filent, and Fitzosborne fancied be had shaken her refolution, when, raifing her eyes to him with a mild and fteady air, she thus

replied:

" If my words could do justice to my feelings, I could fay much, very much, in opposition to that false and fatal cafuiltry invented to mislead the judgement, and warp the integrity of mankind .- But I am ignorant of the art of rhetoric, and my lights are few; yet I trust they are sufficient to guide me in the only path I wish to tread, the broad and open way of moral rectitude, which none can ever miss who wish to find it. Ill, indeed, would it become the friendless orphan, the child of calamity, to deny the existence of the principle to which the is indebted for every thing that is valuable, and every thing that is dear. Are we to suppose that virtue is annihilated because a phantom usurps her title in society? or, rather, does not that phantom, like other shadows, ascertain the reality of the substance? Oh! the madness of reasoning pride, to dispute the reality of that only permanent and fubstantial principle which shall survive the devastations of time, "the wreck of matter, and the cruth of worlds." The heathen fages, and you will allow them wisdom, enamoured of the charms of virtue, adored her lovely form with a fond enthufiasm, even when the revealed to their view no thining vifions of future beatitude, nor excited their emulation by promifed crowns of glory. To deny the existence of virtue is to deny the existence of God, for " God is LOVE," and love is virtue."

The facts and circumstances also are

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frequently very happily illustrated, as

in the following instance.

"Lord RAYMOND possessed all that exterior polish, that shining varnish of manners, which is often the result of a conscious deficiency in point of intrinsic goodness. The man whose heart bears testimony to his integrity; whose honest and candid bosom knows "no thought but what the world may hear;" needing no artificial veil to conceal the sentiments of a soul which despises dis-

fimulation, and needs it not, will fometimes, too little folicitous to form his manners, fuffer them to roughen into an ungracious bluatness; for who will be at the pains of gilding a guinea, of which the specific value ensures general circulation? But he who utters a base and counterfeit coin, must necessarily embellish it with every external circumstance of allurement, which may contribute to establish its currency.

Man As He Is. A Novel; in Four Volumes. Lane.

THE materials and texture of this Novel are so superior to those of which this species of writing is in general composed, that we lament extremely having so long neglected to peruse it, and announce its merits to the public. The author, who possesses a found, discriminating, and improved mind, has drawn his Characters, not from the mere fuggestions of fancy, as is usual with writers of this class, but from a clear, distinct, and judicious view of their archetypes, as they exist in nature. In conformity to the title of his work, he has represented " Man as be is," and feems to have taken Fielding and Le Sage for his models; but he has contrived to render his scenes contributory to the purposes of virtue, morality, and happiness. The story is finely conceived, and the narrative of it so easy and artless, that it assumes the appearance of true history. The character of Sir George Paradyne, the hero of the piece, a rich, gay, generous young man, who acts entirely from the feelings of a sensible and virtuous heart, is as finely contrasted with the character of Mr. Bardoe, a gentleman who is guided only by the dictates of reason and experience; as the character of Miss Carlill, a lively, shrewd, and sensible Quaker, is with that of Cornelia Colraine, the heroine of the piece, and a

perfect model of female foftness, delicacy, and good fenfe. There are other characters of a different complexion, in which the vices of unfeeling ambition, political profligacy, gaming, hypocrify, and female depravity, are exposed in the misconduct of Lady Mary Paradyne, Lord Auchamp, Count Colliano, John Lake Fielding, and Lady Ann Brixworth, and by a strength of colouring rendered ignominious and detestable. In opposition, however, to this despicable and unhappy groupe, we must not forget to mention the character of Lindsay, which exhibits the most perfect description of real friendship and difinterested affection. The work contains a few episodes, the most beautiful of which is the story of Miss Zoporo, the unfortunate offspring of a Transylvanian General, who bravely fought and died in attempting to defend the liberties of his oppressed country. This lovely, spirited, and sensible female, after experiencing a feries of affecting misfortunes, is happily restored, by the virtuous exertions of Sir George Paradyne, to the protection of her uncle, an Austrian Baron, then at the Venetian Court; and affords a useful lesson of the happy effects which are frequently produced by a fleady perfeverance in the paths of piety and virtue.

ON POPE'S HOMER.

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MY DEAR r.

I WAS well aware that no observation in so popular a work as Fitzosorne's Letters, could have escaped your notice. The critique, extracted from this enteraining collection, on that passage in the first book of the Iliad I was tempted to send you, not as new, but only as an introduction to the remarks which fol-

low. If, while the fubject was before me, by that affociation which usually actends a man in his literary rambles, various other passages from different authors were brought to my recollection, which drew me on infensibly, in the freedom of epistolary correspondence, into a wider field of critical discussion than was at first intended; while you

are amused with what I write, every

thing I wish is gained.

What the learned Fitzosborne, an advocate equally zealous as able, has reductantly given up, you will not, you say, undertake to vindicate. In the verses cited at the close of my letter, you feem to wish that Pope had surnished Thetis with some less exceptionable epithet than bated for the skies. Should we not rather wish, that he had sollowed the example which his master had set him, and compleated the verse without the interposition either of skies or epithet?

The remark of Mr. Wood has in it, you think, more of finartness than of found criticism. Hector might set out with haste and precipitation, yet, when he approached the lines of the enemy, when near the foe, it might be neither improbable nor indecorous that he should then moderate his pace, and advance with

more deliberation.

When I consult the original, I find, as I expected, this candid observation perfectly well-founded, and correspondent with your usual taste and judgment; yet Pope can, I fear, avail himself but little of your well-meant exertions in his favour. By omitting the words **E** Σ ME Σ Σ ON I Ω N, he has suppressed a material circumstance, without which the fentence will hardly bear the interpretation you give of it. By this injudirious omission he breaks the regular train of progressive action, so pointedly marked by Homer; and engages Hector in a military manœuvre, at a time and in a fituation in which he could not possibly perform it. Hector was now either at the back of the lines, or inclosed within them, discoursing with Paris; who, on the appearance of Menelaus, had fled thither for security, KAO' opinov EAY. Upon hearing his brother's spirited refolution, Hector hurries into the midst between the two armies; and then, what then he was in a fituation to do, checks his men by the usual figual. All this is very intelligible, and fully justifies the enlarged sense in which you understand the passage. We have to regret, that Pope's mutilated version will not support this favourable explication.

The other plea which you urge fo powerfully in your favourite's defence, I have as little inclination as ability to

controvert,

—Opere in longo fas est obsequere formum-If this be allowable in an original author, a translator has far stronger claims to the same indulgence. The original author has his attention continually kept alive by the vigorous efforts of invention. He is at liberty to vary his entertainment by culling at pleasure from the store-house of his imagination such materials as are most agreeable to his taste, most capable of ornament and pleasing description; while those which appear less trastable, he is at equal liberty to reject.

—et quæ Desperat tractata nitescere posse, relinquit.

The translator has none of these advantages. The materials which he has to work upon are supplied by the fancy of another, and may not always be most congenial with his own. Thefe, fuch as he finds them, he must transmit unaltered, entire, and in due proportion, through the medium of another language, combined in the fame order as they appear in the language from which he is translating. He is confined within the path marked out for him, which he is bound to keep without deviation, whatever alluring objects may on either fide catch his eye, and folicit his attention. He has only to look forward through a length of way to the end of his journey; and it is well if, before he reach it, he do not find his strength and fpirits at times oppressed with lassitude, and borne down by fatigue. If, under fuch circumstances, there be occasionally a few thert passages less finished than the rest, they do not, you say, affect the general character of excellence univerfally allowed this admirable performance. Such little blemishes, scarcely difcernible by the naked eye, do not at all obscure the transcendant brightness by which the great body of the work is illuminated.

I feel, my dear P—, and am very willing to allow the whole force of this reasoning; yet, methinks, it were to be wished that these less finished passages occurred less frequently. It I appear rather minute in noting them, you will impute my animadversions to the right cause. It is by no means my wish to depreciate Pope: I am only desirous of vindicating Homer, whom I was early taught with you to admire, and have since been long habitually accussomed almost to reverence; and cannot, therefore, be easily driven from the opinion, now grown inveterate in my mind, that what he has written is the

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very best which could have been written, and in the very best manner, so that no sentence can be altered by addition, amplification, emission, different arrangement of the parts, or by any other means whatsoever, without losing proportionally so much of its strength and beauty.

Under these impressions I am tempted to send you, with my remarks, one or two more of these less sinished passages. One in the first book I wish particularly to notice, as it tends so strongly at once to confirm and justisfy what I have this moment advanced. It is about the inid-dle of the speech which appeared in my last to open so inauspiciously.

επει εποθ' ΟΜΟΙΗΣ εμμορε τιμπο ΣΚΗΠΤΟΥΧΟΣ ΒΑΣΙΛΕΥΣ, "ωτε Ζευς κυδος εδωκε. 278

Him awful majesty exalts above The pow'rs of earth, and seepter'd sons of Fove.

You, from that intimate acquaintance with the Greek language which you are known to possess, will at once see how distant this interpretation is from Homer's meaning. Observe also how much the argument fusiers by this unfortunate perversion of the sentence; so as to reflect, it must be confessed, very little credit on the great mafter of perfuafive eloquence. Neftor is endeavouring to diffuade Achilles from contending with Agamemnon. Why? because he argues the king, who bears the feeptre, who is also invested by Jupiter with glory, is allotted not an equal, i.e. a greater share of honour than whom, not than other kings, but than you and othe s subject to his supreme authority. Notwithflanding, therefore, he goes on to fay, your extraordinary courage, and high birth, Agamemnon is superior from his fovereign command.

Ει δε συ καρτερος εσσι, θεα δε σε γεινατο μητηρ,

Αλλ' ογε Φερτερος εστιν, επει πλεοψεσσί ανασσει.

Whether Agamemnon was superior to other kings or not, was a consideration of very little consequence to Achilles, and not likely much to affect his mind. That his station, as sovereign commander, made him superior to Achilles himself, was immediately to the purpose which the speaker was anxiously labouring to obtain. Pope these not seem to have understood that EKHITOTXOE BAEINETE, this seepter-

ed fon of Jove, was Agamemnon himself. He was probably betrayed into this miftake by the custom of his own language. With us, when one object is faid to be not equal to another, it is usually meant that it is inferior. But equality is as much disturbed by the superiority of the object compared, as by its inferiority: and it is agreeable to the ulage of the Greek language to express superiority by that form: of which construction, in the course of your extensive reading, you must have met with numerous examples. I will content myself with bringing one to your recellection from Sophocles. It is in the Œdipus Tyrannus.

ΟΥ μην γ' ΙΣΗΝ ετισεν. 820.

He paid in return not an equal, i. e. a greater penalty; or, as the last elegant translator has very happily rendered it, contriving at the same time, with admirable address, to retain the Greek Idiom,

But from this hand received Unequal recompence. Poster.

Pope, however, has on this occasion fomething to plead in excuse of his erroneous interpretation. By some strange fatality almost all the other translators have concurred in the same misapprehension of the meaning: even the learned Clarke, in his Latin version,

Quia nunquam uiius similem atque bic fortitus est honorem

Sceptriger rex, &c.

Though, in order to press the sentence into this foreign service, he is forced, you will observe, to supply certain words from his own imagination, as ulles—asque bic, not found in the original.

Shall I own to you, I was malicious enough to hope that Pope's reputed rival had shewn himself more a master of Homer's language. If fortunately he had, you must have allowed him, in this instance at least, an ovation, if not a triumph. But, alas! he has no claim to any such diffinction. His sense is the same with Pope's, his diction much inferior:

The king of forty kings, and honoured more By mighty Jove, than e'er was king before.

TICKELL.

Dryden's translation is so loose, that it is no easy matter to appropriate the English to the Greek. He seems, however, so far as we are able to assort his lines by the text, to give the fame meaning with Pope:

Nor thou, brave champion, with his power contend,

Before whose throne e'en kings their lower'd feetres bend.

So alfo Chapman,

Since no king, that ever Jove allowed Grace of a sceptre, equals him.

CHAPMAN.

Hobbes understood his author better than the rest; and by distinguishing, in conformity with the text, the king from the fubject, he has done more justice to the argument of the venerable orator. But not contented with placing his king, where he ought to be, in a superior rank, he advances a step beyond the limits prescribed; and, by his quaint expression, appears to give the man subom Jove bas crowned, agreeably to a doctrine which, however, he was generally thought not much to sayour, a participation even of divinity itself:

Forbear the king, Pelides; for the man Whom Jove has crown'd, is made of Jove the limb. Horses.

It is not without regret we observe the last translator, who professed that fidelity to his author was the first object of his design, has not kept clear of this manifest blunder:

—for never king

Had equal kenour from the hands of Jove

With Agamemon, or was thron'd to high.

Cowper.

Should you ask, after this, what the French translators have done? The love of my country glows so warmly in my breast, that I do not feel myself at ease to see, in any competition, the palm

borne away by a foreigner. I am, therefore, no ways displeased to find Madama Dacier one of us:

Car de tous les Roys qui ont porté le sceptre, & que Jupirer a essevez à cette gloire, il n'y en a jamais eu de si grand que luy. DACIER.

But another of that nation has given a translation of the Iliad in verse, and he, it must be confessed, has rendered the passage, if with less spirit, certainly with more trush and sidelity than Pope, and the majority of English translators:

Le Roy, qui nous commande, est plus puissant que vous. M. de Rochefort

I beg you will observe I say majority of the English translators, for I have one in reserve whom I am now happy in bringing forward to vindicate the national honour: the one I mean is plain honest Ogilby, whose version gives a very faithful copy of the original:

He, upon whom that title Jove bellows, And once a sceptre wields, no equal knows.

It is somewhat of a curiosity to see Ogilby set in competition with Pope. Will it not appear more extraordinary if the contest be decided in his favour? and yet, so far as this short sentence is considered, can we in justice deny him the preference?

Pope is known to have often more than confulted Ogilby. It is to be lamented that he did not in this place, as he has condescended to do in many others, copy his predecessor's example more closely. Whatever may be your opinion of the foregoing remarks, you will, I am sure, concur with me in this fentiment; under which assurance I repose myself for the present:

Χαιζετ', εγω δ' υμμιν και ες 'υς ερον. Ο. Ρ. C.

ACCOUNT OF MR. BAKEWELL,

R OBERT BAKEWELL, the most successful and celebrated Experimental Farmer ever known in England, was born at Dishley, in Leicestershire, about the year 1725 or 1726. His grandfather and father had resided on the same estate since the beginning of the present century; and his father, who died about the year 1760, had always the reputation of being one of the most ingenious and able Farmers of his neighbourhood.

Mr. Bakewell, having conducted the Dishley Farm several years before the decase of his father, began, about forty years since, that course of experiments which has procured him such extensive fame. He originally adopted a principle, a priori, ef which all the experience of his suture life evinced the propriety. Having remarked that domestic animals, in general, produced others possessing qualities nearly similar to their own, he conceived he had only

to select from the most valuable breeds such as promised to return the greatest possible emolument to the breeder; and that he should then be able, by careful attention to progressive improvements, to produce a race of Sheep, or other animals, possessing a maximum of advantage.

Under the influence of this excellent notion, Mr. Bakewell made excursions into different parts of England, to inspect the various breeds, and to ascertain those which were best adapted to his purposes, and the most valuable of

their kinds.

His next step was to select and purchase the best of all the forts wherever they could be found; and this selection, the result of several years experience, was the original stock from which he afterwards propagated his own.

This excellent ground-work was alone foftered to its prefent unrivalled perfection by the perfevering ingenuicy and industry of Mr. Bakewell: like the immortal Newton, what his genius had conceived, he happily possessed the

patient industry to execute.

About the year 1760, Mr. Bakewell fold his sheep, by private contract, at not more than two or three guineas each. Some time after he began to let some of his rams, and for a few leasons received only fifteen shillings and a guinea a-piece for them; but as the tame of his breed extended itself, he advanced his prices, and by the year 1770 was enabled to let some of his rams for the feafon for twenty-five guineas. Since that time the prices and credit of his stock have been progretfively increasing; and of late years fingle rams have been let for the featon for the enormous price of FOUR EUN-DRED GUINEAS and upwards. It is a fact which has no former example, that one ram, called the Two Pounder, produced in one feafon the fum of eight hundred guineas, independent of ewes of Mr. Bakewell's own flock, which, at the fame rate, would have made a total-the produce of a fingle ram-of TWELVE HUNDRED GUINEAS!

Every branch of the Agricultural Art is more or lets indebted to the fortunate genius and original mind of Mr. Bakewell. He directed his attention however the most fuccessfully to the improvement of the sheep known by the name of the Dishley or New Leicestershire; to long-horned cattle, and to strong horses of the black breed, suita-

ble to the harness for the army. The improvement of pigs, and the cultivation of the best winter food for cattle had latterly engaged his attention; and he had proved himself useful to the public by introducing into practice the flooding of meadows. The race of Dishley sheep are known by the fineness of their bones and flesh, the lightness of the offal, the disposition to quietness, and consequently to mature and fatten with less food than other sheep of equal weight and value. Bakewell improved his black horfes by an attention to the form which is best adapted to their ufe. His stallions have been let for the feafon for one hundred guineas and upwards. About ten years fince, he exhibited his famous black horse to the King and many of the Nobility in the Court-yard of St. lames's. His long-horned cattle have been characterized by properties similar to those of his sheep, viz. for the fineness of the bone and flesh, the lightness of the offal, and the disposition to fatten. In a word, no competitor ever had the temerity to vie with him in his horses and cattle; and his sheep continue univerfally unrivalled, notwithstanding the competition excited at various times by motives of interest or envy.

In this place it may be worth while to infert the following flatement of the prices given at two leading auctions, for flock bred from Mr. Bakewell's. These great prices, as well as the prices which these articles always maintain, are the most indubitable proofs of the high opinion which the best and most interested judges enter-

tain of Mr. Bakewell's merit.

The first sale which we advert to was that of Mr. Fowler, of Rollwright, in Oxfordshire. This Gentleman had commenced his breeding speculations with a couple of cows and a bull which he hired of Mr. Bakewell. After his death, one article of his live stock, the horned cattle, fold for a value equal to that of the fee simple of his farm! Fifteen head alone of bulls and cows fold for two thousand four hundred and fixty-four pounds, or at the rate of one hundred and fixty-four pounds each!

The other auction was that of Mr. Paget, at Ibstock. Mr. Paget had been many years the intimate friend, and, in the Breeding Society, a very eminent and successful colleague, of Mr.

Bakewell.

Bakewell. The fale of his flock was therefore looked up to with much eagerness by the public. At this sale, one bull fold for the fum of four hundred guineas, (and a fixth share of the fame has fince been fold for one hundred,) and a two-year old heifer for eighty-four! Two hundred and eleven ewes and theaves fetched three thousand three hundred and fifteen guineas-on the average seventeen guineas each; and one let of five ewes was fold for three hundred and ten guineas !

Such was the respect paid to Mr. Bakewell in his life time. To conclude that he was fufficiently rewarded, would be to withhold his due, if we confider the money and honours that are bestowed on projects far less beneficial than his. Perhaps, at some future period, the civic crown and public monuments will be awarded to fuch characters in preference to the more doubtful claims of the Warrior

and the Statesman.

Mr. Bakewell, at the time of his death, was verging on his 70th year. As he had never been married, his business devolves to Mr. Honeyborn, his nephew; and it is a fortunate circumstance for the public, that this Gentleman is possessed of genius and enterprize similar to that of his predecessor. In person, Mr. Bakewell was tall, broad fet, and, in his latter years, ra-

ther inclined to corpulence. His countenance bespoke intelligence, activity, and a high degree of benevolence: his manners were frank and pleafing, and well calculated to maintain the extensive popularity he had acquired: his domestic arrangements at Dishley were formed on a scale of hospitality to strangers, that gained him universal esteem; of the numerous visitants induced by curiofity to call at his houfe, none ever left it without having reason to extol the liberality of its owner. Many interesting anecdotes are related of his humanity towards the various orders of animals; he continually deprecated the atrocious barbarities practifed by butchers and drovers; thewing, by example on his own farm, the most pleasing instances of docility in the animals under his care. In fine, without the introduction of unmeaning panegyric, Mr. Bakewell was exactly fuch a character as every wellmeaning man would wish to be. His vices were few, and without name; his virtues fuch as most men ought to imitate; and his utility of such extenfive consequence, as to be a proper object of emulation to all men.

He departed this life on Thursday, October 1, 1795, after a tedious illness, which he bore with the philosophical fortitude that ever distinguished his

character.

MEMOIRS OF THE REVEREND RICHARD POLWHELE, AND A LIST OF HIS PUBLICATIONS.

[WITH A PORTRAIT.]

TT feldom happens that the Lives of true, the memoirs of many an Author Literary Men afford much entertain-The dates of publications are, generally, the epochas of fuch lives. In tracing our biographical sketches of living Authors, we are commonly obliged, from the nature of the subject, to be unamusing. For to connect in a regular feries, what has been already scattered before the public eye (as a clue to the future Biographer) is all we profess to do. We endeavour, indeed, to stamp authority on our narrative, by recording with exactness the writer's birth, and a few fuch minutiæ. It is

might be rendered interesting, by the eduction of particulars from the shades of privacy. But, as we never wish to draw forth the frailties of a fellow-creature from their obscure abode, so we prefume not to panegyrize those virtues which, exercised in retirement, are frequently observed through a fallacious medium, and thus dimly feen, are, of course, erroneously reported.

That the Rev. RICHARD POLWHELE, the subject of this Memoir, was born in the year 1760, the only fon of Tho-mas * Polwhele, Efq. of Polwhele, in

^{*} Thomas Polwhele, Efq. was the only fon of Richard Polwhele of Polwhele, Sheriff of Cornwall, 9th of George I __Villiam of Worcester (who made his tour into Cornwallin 1478), mentions the Castle of Polwhele, then in ruins. It appears from Browne Willis, that in the Parliament of Westminster, 4th and 5th of Philip and Mary 1557, John Polwhele of Pol-Vol. XXVIII. Nov. 1795. whele

Cornwall—that he was educated at the Grammar-School of Truro (near which town his patrimonial estate, Polwhele, is fituated) -- that in the year 1778, he was entered a Commoner of Christ's Church, Oxford, where he regularly kept his terms till he was admitted a Student in Civil Law-that he took Deacon's Orders in 1782, and after ferving the cure of Lamorran in Cornwall for a short time, formed a matrimonial connection with a Miss Warren, with whom he removed to Kenton near Exeter—that he ferved the curacy of Kenton about ten years, within which time he composed the greater part of his numerous publications *- that he schemed, and in part executed a History of Devonshire during his residence at Kenton-thar, in consequence of his wife's decease, he removed with his children to Truro, and thence returned foon after to the neighbourhood of Exeter, resuming the cure of Kenton, and the proceeding with his Hif-tory—that feeling, we suppose, the irksomeness of his widowed state, after the experience of conjugal happiness, he

married Miss Tyrrel, a daughter of Captain Robert Tyrrel—that he then undertook the cure of Exmouth, which he quitted on being presented by Bishop Buller to the vicarage of Manaccen in Cornwall, where he has been a short time settled. With this outline, and nothing more, a friend of Mr. P. has been so obliging as to surnish us, the not till after repeated solicitations. We have collected, however, from other quarters, a few circumstances that ought on no account to be omitted. But the above saces acannot be illustrated in a more pleasing manner than by a recurrence to Mr. P.'s own works.

We have observed, that Mr. P. was educated at Truro school. Before he left this seminary he composed and published, among other poems, "The Fate of Lewellyn," and "The Genius of Karnbre;" from the former of which we shall present our readers with a few

extracts..

Where Tamar's winding waters flow,
And the green skirts of Cornwall lave,
While trees, that kiss the stream below,
Dark from the clefts their umbrage wave,

whele, Esq. represented the County, together with John Arundel de Langheron.—In the Long Parliament John Polwhele was a Member for Tregoney in Cornwall, his Colleague Sir Richard Vyvyan, Knight. One of the Cornish Topographers observes, this place gives name to a family of eminence that flourished here before the Conquest. At this time Drue de Polwheel was Chamberlain to William the Conqueror's Queen, as appears by a grant from her to the faid Drue, which runs thus: "Drogoni de Polwheel camerario meo." The Polwheles were allied to the noble families of Edgecumbe, Godolphin, and Mohun. Extract from a Note to Polwhele's History of Devonshire, Vol. II. p. 168.

* The following are all Mr. Polwhele's Publications that have come to our knowledge.

1. The Fate of Lewellyn; or, The Druids' Sacrifice, a Legendary Tale.

2. The Genius of Karnbre, a Poem.

3. The Spirit of Frazer to General Burgoyne, an Ode.

4. The Death of Hilda, an American Tale.

5. An Ode to Mrs. Macaulay on her Birth-day.

6. † The Castle of Tintadgel; or, The Captive Princess of Denmark, an Ode.

7. † The Isle of Poplars, an Ode.

\$. Pictures from Nature, in Twelve Sonnets, and the Lock Transformed, an Elegy.

9. The First Book of the English Orator, a Didactic Poem. 10. The Second and Third Books of the English Orator.

11. The Fourth Book of the English Orator, with Notes on the whole.

- 12. The Idyllia of Theocritus, Bion, and Moschus, and the Elegies of Tyrtæus, with Differtations and Notes.
 - 13. In Two Volumes, 8vo. Discourses on different Subjects.

14. In One Volume, 4to. Poems.

15. A Discourse, preached December 30, 1792.

16. Second Edition of Discourses, with two additional Sermons, and an Essay.

17. Second Edition of Theocritus, &c. in Two Volumes, 8vo.

- 18. In Two Volumes, 8vo. Poems by Gentlemen of Devon and Cornwall.
- 19. The First Volume of Historical Views of Devonshire, in 8vo. 20. The Second Volume of the History of Devonshire, in solio.
- 21. Biographical Memoirs of Mr. Rack, in Collinson's Somerset,

Lewellyn led a ruftic life,

Tho' noble was his warriour-blood;

Far from the world's ignoble strife,

The swain had "leifure to be good."

Haunt of illustrious Chiefs, on high
Dunheved rais'd his cloud-capt head,
Now ruins strike the pensive eye,
Where many a Cornish Hero bled;
Where once proud battlements arose,

Now the huge fragments mould'ring fall; Where moun'd their doom the captive foes, Now nods the ivy-mantled wall.

Lewellyn, heedless where he went,
O'er trackless wilds his way pursued;
And still the moon red glimmerings sent,
The lurid welkin, blood-imbrued.
The phantoms of the troubled day
Fast crouding upon memory's breast,
Their forrow-painted forms display,

Nor leave one little paufe of rest.

It is remarkable, that in " The Fate of Lewellyn," Mr. P.'s first production, the verse is much more melodious than in his " English Orator," almost his last; but in " The Legendary Tale" Mr. P. was writing to the ear only. The first feven pieces mentioned in our lift below, were all composed before Mr. P. left school; and the eighth piece was the production of Mr. P.'s leifure hours at Kenton. From this it appears, that for a long interval Mr. P. had dropt his poetical purfuits. It is certain, that, unallured by the Muses, Mr. P. had the refolution to adhere closely to his academic studies whilst an under-graduate at Oxford.

The beauties of his fituation at Kenton awakened, we conceive, his dormant imagination, which first appeared in Sonnets, then in a poem entitled the English Orator, and afterwards in Translations from the Greek Poets. The following fonnets may not be unacceptable in this place.

TO HIS WIFF, WRITTEN IN 1784. "For thee, whose love I value more than life,

Whose charms the balm of heart-felt blifs inspire,

For thee I reaffume my humble lyre; Here, in this shade, far distant from the strife Of scenes, where Eashion's pamper d votaries rife

In Diffipation's revel, quench thy fire

O Muse! and blast the hallow'd name of WIFE,

'Mid the dark orgies of impure defire.

For thee, tho' ne'er my unambitious strain May foothe th'unfeeling world, I yet awhile Tune the rude shell; and, heply, not in vain,

If (fweet reward of every anxious toil)
My fimple fong have ftill the power to gain
From LAURA but a fond approving fmile.

TO THE SAME IN 1784
Amid this scene of varied beauty plac'd,
Where Nature's wild simplicity, resin'd
To prospects that might charme'en Mason's
mind,

Veils the fair art which lives in Courtenay's tafte;

Let us, My LAURA, no vain wifnes wafte; But, to the humbler lot of life refign'd, Be ours, when Evening's penfive shadows

O'er the dark trees and paler lawn, to bind Contentment's modest wreath around the brows

Of wedded love; that fighing oft, renews The memory of its fondly storied vows;

Or, fmiling on the day o'erpast, reviews Each joy, the wife—the mother can impart, To river in esteem the husband's heart!"

These Sonnets seem to prove, that in Mr. P.'s bosom the domestic passion was not cold *.

* In the Devon and Cornish Poems we meet with the following Sonnet, in the same strain:

TO HIS INFANT DAUGHTER MARIA.

"Ah, my dear babe! thou smilest on the tear
That hangs upon thy mother's fading cheek;
Eager, as thou wert wont. her voice to hear,
But her heart swells with grief too full to speak.

"Tis for thy brothers, in the same cold bed,
She weeps. O'er one the wintry storm hath past:
And there, another rests his little head
Fresh pillow'd; but they feel not the keen blast!
O'er their pale turf the whistling winds may sweep,
Unconscious of the tempest they repose;
There, undisturb'd, sweet innocents! they sleep,
From human passions free, from human woes.
Yes, dear Maria, they, my babe, are free
From ills that wait, perhaps in store for thee.'

A passage in the fourth book of the English Orator hath been judged a pleasing illustration of a part of the Author's Life.

O'erarch'd a Bagor, (proud to embower fuch worth—

Such virtues in their venerable shade)
There, musing oft on future scenes, he

The profpect of ideal good to flow From his impaffion'd preaching. Nor unmark'd

His decent fame, nor unreview'd his charge;
That, not at distance from his natal spot
Beyond the woody Tamar, Fancy trac'd;
And, as she spread the glowing tint, it seem'd
No fairy picture: For young Hope reliev'd
With golden rays each figure Fancy drew.

Twas then, with honeft independence sush'd,
Oft would he cry: "Ye visions, though so

46 Perhaps ye promife vainly! for the mask

of dark deceit, too often worn for you,

Shall never hide one generous feeling! Far From this untainted bosom be the lure

66 That leads through Flattery's maze the cringing crew.

ss If my fincerer aims be frustrate all,

"Whilft the corrupt, the verfatile afcend

To rich preferment, thro' the path whose dust

66 I would difdain to tread—or, treading, 66 shake

Indignant from my feet; if every wish

"Urg'd by no mean ambition, should arise
"Unfanction'd; then, not forrowing, would
"I hail-

66 Then would I hail thy bowers, paternal 66 feat!

Where I might yet retire, and "eat my bread

"In privacy and peace!" There might I

" My flumbering hopes of honour undif"turb'd

66 By those who, prone to adulation, pour with a deceitful finite the cold applause.

46 Happy (the hollow fycophant unknown

To those pure shades) as there, where

dawning age

First weav'd its wayward fancies, I review

"Through the dim veil of years, each mel"low trace
"Os childich joy and youthful blifs ferene.

"Of childish joy and youthful bliss ferene.
"There, where the veteran umbrage of
"the beech

O'erhangs the creffed brook, that gurg-

Its wreathed roots, or the long-waving

"Have darkened their broad shadows, may

"Attune the pastoral song; or, pondering

"The ruthless times when Cromwell's host
ppprest

My loyal fathers, hail in many a tone

"Penfive and deep, the vifionary forms

" Of ancestry, that with majestic air

"Swim by the moonbeam thro' the glim"mering trees."

To a third edition of the English Orator (entitled Poems, &c.) were added, "An Address to Pennant," an "Ode on "the Susceptibility of the Poetical Mind," "An Episite to a College Friend," &c. &c. From the Episite we cannot withstand the temptation of extracting the concluding lines:

" E'en now, tho' wedded love on pure effecin

"Shed the fweet influence of its ardent, beam;

"Tho' praise from cold extinction guard the

"That feebly glows, and trembles o'er my "lyre;

"Yet, as my former days in prospect rife,

"I mourn full often with regretful fighs
"The contrast of civilities that mark

"The affe ed tribe who feel no friendly fpark-

"Who with contempt or apathy behold "The brightest talents unattached to gold!

"Here too, within these walls I oft recur"
To scenes that quick the sense of forrow
"fir;

"Where, watching at each gleam his vital

" I faw my little innocent expire;

"While Care, intruding on my anguish, fills "My bosom with a store of meaner ills;

"And Prudence, a ling her mechanic part,

"Deadens the fine emotions of the heart!

" Ah! be it ours to fly fo mean a tribe,

"Nor the cold maxims of the world imbibe;
"To bid no generous fentiment expire;

"And yet, tho' diffant, breathe Affection's

" fire:
" And while beneath this low fequefter'd

thatch.

" I fcorn the false opinions that attach

"Th' ignoble great to many a vain pursuit,

" And mark of all their toils the bitter fruit;

"Whilft here, undazzled by a poet's fame, I fondly cherish the connubial flame,

And rear my little offspring, fond to trace

The mother's features in the fuckling's face;

"And hold the fweet compassion doubly dear That drops o'er woe the solitary tear;

" O may

" O may my GREVILLE, fince his fpirits

With fervid impulse in a stronger tide,

The christian patriot's pure ambition feel,
A bright example of unerring zeal."

With respect to the Versions from Theocrius, Bion, Moschus, and Tyrlaus, we should not, at this distance of time from their publication (fince it is now sufficiently clear that they are universaily approved), omit a circumstance which may convey some notion of the Author's facility in composing; namely, that they were all finished within fix months, together with the Differtations and Notes*. Two Volumes of Discourses

were the product also of Mr.P.'s leifurchours at Kenton. But we must not neglect to mention the Devon and Cornish Poets, of which Mr. P. was the Editor. They are a collection of Pieces written by Gentlemen chiefly resident in Devonshire and Cornwall; most of whom, indeed, live in Exeter and its neighbourhood; and have the pleasure of enjoying, at stated meetings, at the Globe Inn, in Exeter, (a society truly enviable)

"The feast of reason, and the slow of foul!"

Of this fociety, Mr. P, was one of the first members.

THEATRICAL JOURNAL.

OCTOBER 19.

MR. COOPER, who had only performed in the country, appeared the first time at Covent Garden in the character of Hamlet. In this part the late Mr. Henderson first displayed his talents to an admiring public, and the fame was chosen by Mr. Kemble for his first essay on the London stage. To both these gentlemen the choice was favourable, and they each shewed the force of their minds in conceiving the character, and their powers to exhibit it with propriety and effect. The present candidate, Mr. Cooper, has been less succefsful. His person, countenance, and voice, promifed more than he had ability to execute. His action, deportment, and pronunciation, were in many parts exceptionable; and he appeared rather to repeat what he had been taught, than to enter into the character with feeling. He would evidently have shewn more prudence in felecting fome other part for his first appearance.

20. THE DEPENDENT, a Comedy, by Mr Cumberland, was acted the first time at Drury Lane. The fucces this gentleman has lately experienced in his dramatic efforts, should have imposed on him more caution than he has shown in obtruding this hasty abortion on the public. It had little plot, incident, or originality of character, to recommend it; the methodist preacher being adopted from Ezckiel Daw in his own no-

vel of "HENRY." Infipidity feemed to pervade every feene; and though the performers exerted themselves in its favour, their efforts were without effect. The repetition of the piece was not permitted.

22. Mifs Gough, from Dublin, appeared the first time at Covent Garden in the character of Alicia in Jane Shore. This lady's conception of the character was, on the whole, fuch as the most differning critic might with propriety commend, and her expression throughout was forcible and impressive; the only abatement was, that in fome instances she seemed desicient in the management of her voice, which we doubt not a little attention will correct. In the parting scene with Hastings, and that with Jane Shore, she displayed a fenfibility and spirit not unworthy the most celebrated veteran. Her person is rather tall and graceful; her features thin, with an expressive eye, and bear a refemblance to those of Mrs. Siddons, whose manner of acting she seems to have adopted. Her action was judicious, and by time will be rendered excellent. In fine, the promifes to be a considerable acquisition both to the Manager and to the public.

Nov. 7. Speculation, a Comedy, by Mr. Reynolds, was acted the neutime at Covent Garden. The charac-

ters as follow:

* We have good authority also to say, that the Fourth Book of the English Orator (more than a thousand inee) was composed within a fortnight.

Tanjore

Tanjore Mr. Lewis.
Alderman Arable Mr. Quick.
Project Mr. Munden.
Jack Arable Mr. Fawcett.
Sir Frederick Faintly
Captain Arable Mr. Middleton.
Cecilia Miss Mansel.

Cecilia Lady Cath. Project Emmeline Miss Mansel. Mrs Davenport. Miss Wallis.

The scene is laid in London and its

vicinity.

The plot is far from being systematie; the following are the prominent features of it, as far as we could collect them: Sir Charles Tanjore dying, leaves Emmeline, an only daughter, with a fortune of 5000l. per annum, under the guardianship of Project, an unprincipled speculist, who ultimately failing in some very extensive fraudulent plans, is arrefted and lodged in the King's Bench. Emmeline forms an early attachment for Captain Arable, to whom the is about to give her hand in marriage, when the union is broken off in confequence of fome family quarrel. He goes abroad; and the is fo much affeeted at the cruel separation, that she contracts an illness, which is followed by a fever and mental derangement. Recovering, however, Project, who has applied part of her fortune to his own purpofes, keeps her confined under various pretexts, with an intention of forcing her to marry his cousin; until at length, by means of Cecilia and Jack Arable, the escapes. Alderman Arable, an agricultural speculist, has long been imposed upon by Project; but being at length convinced of his villainy, fends him to prison for having embezzled the fortune of his niece Emmeline, and beflows her hand on Captain Arable, the

object of her choice, although he had previously intended her for his own for Jack Arable. Tanjore, after having diffipated an ample fortune at the gaming-house, is fent to India by Sir Charles; but failing in his purfuits, and escaping from prison there, he returns to England penayless. He is the principal means of exposing the dishonesty of his cousin Project to Alderman Arable, and thereby gains his efteem. Being fent to the King's Bench prison for the amount of a taylor's bill, he gets into the fame apartment with Project, each of whom depends on the other for the means of liberation-the latter, until this time, supposing Tanjore to have come home from India immensely rich. Before matters are properly explained, a curious fcene takes place between them, which is terminated by the Alderman releasing Tanjore, and leaving Project in the college, as it is wittily termed. A rich relation of Tanjore's now returns from India, who effectually relieves him from his embarrassments, and marries his fister Cecilia, with which, and theunion of Emmeline with Captain Arable, the whole concludes.

Such is the outline of a piece, on the merits of which we confeis ourfelves under fome difficulty to form a decifive opinion. It abounds in farcical incidents, which rapidly fucceed one another with very little attention to confidency or nature: but if Reafon wanders ungratified, Rifibility meets with ample indulgence; and in most of our popular modern comedies the currency of the latter is accepted in lieu of the

sterling value of the former.

This Piece was received with great applause.

POETRY.

AN ELEGY

SENT TO MRS. —— AND HER SISTER.

6 Flebilis indignos, Elegeia, Jolwe capillos."

6 Ab nimis ex vero nunc tibi nomen crit?"

Y E wrinkled beldams! whose bleach'd fummits shew,

Like Alvine heights beneath eternal fnow; Who chearlefs, gracelefs, still thro' life despis'd,

No youth e'er courted, and no maiden priz'd*;

Tho' as Golconda's mines your bags infold. The cofflieft gems, with hoards of uffilefs

gold,
Ye nature ne'er with fatal charms endow'd,
Why then of virtues, never tempted, proud?
O! could my muse your frozen bosoms move
To spare the martyr of imperious love!

Ye both would weep o'er frail Fidelia's tomb, Sweet lovely flow'r destroy'd in early bloom! Much-injur'd Shade! to thee this verse is due From him who all thy gentle graces knew;

* No youth e'er, &c.

Nulli illum pueri, nullæ optawere puellæ.

CATUL.

Who tender, watchful, fmooth'd thy dying

Wip'd thy cold fweats, and pillow'd foft thy head;

Who, kneeling near thee, took thy lait command.

Felt the faint preffure of thy feeble hand #; Mark'd the last glimmer of thy closing eye, Heard thy last pray'r, " and learn'd of thee " to die ;"

Kifs'd thy pale lips when ceas'd thy lab'ring breath.

And, jealous, woo'd thee from th' embrace of death.

But thou art bleft, still his a painful part ! Thy legacy to him-a broken heart! If aught beyond a wish his verse can give, Thy name, thy beauty, and thy worth shall live + ;

Young Love shall frequent to thy tomb repair ! With flagging pinions, and diforder'd air; There the fell archer will indulge in woe, His arrows fcatter'd, and unftrung his bow : Thus thy fond bard, his anguish to affuage, Culls a fair flow'ret from the claffic page; Pilfers for fad conceits the Roman verse, And braids with Fancy's wreaths thy fable hearfe.

Foolish attempt! his heart to nature true, In fecret mourns thee loft, and fobbing fighs adieu!!!

ORESTES.

VERSES THE LATE WRITTEN EARL CHATHAM.

From "SEWARD'S ANECDOTES," in which Work it was for the first time printed]

TO THE RIGHT HON. RICHARD GREN-VILLE TEMPLE, LORD VISCOUNT COBHAM.

INVITATION TO SOUTH LODGE *. From " Tyrrbena Regum Progenics," &c.

ROM Norman Princes sprung, their virtues heir,

Cobham, for thee my vaults inclose Tokai's smooth çask unpierc'd. Here purer air,

Breathing fweet pink and balmy rofe,

Shall meet thy wish'd approach. Haste then

Nor round and round for ever rove The magick Ranelagh, or nightly stray In gay Spring Gardens glittering grove.

Forfake the Town's hugh mass, stretch'd long and wide.

Pall'd with Profusion's fickening joys; Spurn the vain capital's infipid pride, Smoke, riches, politicks, and noife.

Change points the blunted fense of sumptuous pleasure ;

And neat repasts in fylvan shed,

Where Nature's simple boon is all the trea-

Care's brow with smiles have often spread. Now flames Andromeda's refulgent fire, Now rages Procyon's kindled ray,

Now madd'ning Leo darts his stellar fire, Fierce Suns revolve the parching day.

The shepherd now moves faint with languid flock

To riv'let fresh and bow'ry grove, To cool retirements of high-arching rock. O'er the mute stream no zephyrs move-

Yet weighing subfidies and England's weal-You still in anxious thought call forth Dark ills, which Gaul and Pruffia deep conceal,

Or fierce may burst from towering North.

All-feeing Wifdom, kind to mortals, hides Time's future births in gloomy night; Too-bufy care, with pity, Heaven derides. Man's fond, officious, feeble might.

Use then aright the present. Things to be, Uncertain flow, like Thames; now peaceful borne

In even bed, foft-gliding down to fea; Now mould'ring shores, and oaks uptorn,

Herds, cottages, together fwept away, Headlong he rolls; the pendant woods And bellowing cliffs proclaim the dire difmay,

When the fierce torrents roufe the tranquil floods.

They, masters of themselves, they happy live, Whofe hearts at eafe can fay fecure,

VIRG.

* Felt the faint, &c.

Te teneam moriens deficiente manu.

TIBUL. † Thy name, thy, &c.

Semper honos, nomenque tuum, laudesque manchunt, 1 Young Love, &c.

Ecce, puer Veneris fert eversamque pharetram Et fractos arcus.

Adspice, demissis ut eat miserabilis alis. OVID.

* A Seat of Mr. Pitt on Enfield Chace.

"This day role not in vain: let Heav'n next
"give

" Or clouded skies, or funshine pure."

Yet never what swift Time behind has cast, Shall back return. No pow'r the thing That was hid not have been; for ever past, It slies on warehorting was

It flies on unrelenting wing.

Fortune, who joys perverfe in mortal woe,

Still frolicking with cruel play, Now may on me her giddy fmile bestow, Now wanton to another stray.

If constant, I carefs her; if she flies
On fickle plumes, farewell her charms!
All dower I wave (save what good fame supplies),

And wrap my foul in freedom's arms.

*Tis not for me to shrink with mean despair, Favour's proud ship should whirlwinds toss;

Nor venal idols footh with bart'ring prayer, To shield from wreck opprobrious dross.

*Midit all the tumults of the warring fphere, My light-charged bark may haply glide; Some gale may waft, fome confcious thought fhall chear.

And the small fleight unanxious glide.
WILLIAM PITT, 1750.

TO THE ELEGANT SOPHIA, ON THE ARSURDITY OF SOME PART OF FEMALE DRESS.

E Benedetto fia 'l giorno, e'l meje, et l'anno,

or _____Ovio fui giunto

Da duo begliocchi, che legato m hanno.

PETRABCH.

Naturam expellas furcâ, tamen usque recurret. Ho

IN ancient Greece the maids for beauty famed,

Were not of Nature's lavish gifts ashamed; No coat of mail was by rough fingers laced, And no rude force compressed the yielding want;

They o'er the shape a stole transparent slung, Which to the feet in varied foldings hung; Freely to move the well-turn'd limbs were seen.

Graceful as Ida's or Olympus' queen, Thro' which the rays emitted to the fight, Fill'd the admiring gazer with delight; A filken bandeau by the Graces wove, Gently upheld The Hemispheres of Love.

But Faih.on now usurps Dame Nature's reign,

Triumphs awhile, and spoils her rich domain. Yet though, bright nymph! I now her abs

To her dear rights Earth's parent shall returns Aid her, Sophia! with thy fostering hand, Remove the swelling breasts depressive band. Those globes, sole rivals of The Milky Way, From bondage freed, shall hail the welcome

Let it again with artless ease be plac'd
To gird with amorous grasp thy beauteous
waist:

Then I'll confign thee to the tender care
Of guardian fylphs, congenial fprites of air.
Burgess.

Tewksbury, Oct. 14, 1795.

TO EDWIN,

ON READING HIS TENDER ELEGY,
[IN THE MANNER OF HAMMOND]

Addressed to Emma, in your Magazine for August last.

66 Non ignara mali, miseris succurrere disco."

TAT HILE am'rous Edwin's lyre, with melting flow,
Riots in all the luxury of woe,

Around his head the mild affections play,
And little Cupids life his liquid lay;
When warmer paffion strikes the trembling.
wires,

Electric shiverings seize the young defires.
Blame not thy Emma, should she seem alone
Unmov'd, a frozen Niobe in stone:
The quick succussions of her hills of snow
Shew that volcanic fire is hid below.
Severer morals have our fex refin'd,
Scarce to herself the virgin hints her mind.
Each art, each science opes far fairer fields
For man, and love to bus'ness frequent
yields:

Still idie woman filent, fecret, fighs,
Thrown into fhade like fome pale flow'r fhe

To foft fensations offers no controul, But courts the melting malady of foul.

Say shall imperial man, to whom 'tis given To rule on earth, the delegate of heav'n, Shouldare with whining plaints his pow'r dif-

grace,
Acknowledg d fov'reign of a fubject race?
Edwin! this nervelefs folly timely fhun,
Fly the elegiac Mufe, or y u're undone!
Let tuneful Hammond's fate thy caution
move,

Who bled a victim on the shrine of Love; He vasc at council, eloquent as brave, Expir'd in vernal life—a woman's slave.

I could

I could a drug medicinal impart,

Would drive this fickly languor from thy heart:
To bubbling founts of blifs 1'd bring my boy,
And plunge his fenfes in a fea of joy;

Teach him that Hymen's laws yield pure de-

light,

When love and virtue tender fouls unite; Then lead to Learning's haunts, to mines of truth,

And breathe o'er all his frame the purple bloom of youth.

A YOUNG WIDOW.

VERSES ON PHEBE,

[At Minesteed, in the New Forest.]
From her Lover at Richmond.

THAT Cupid has wings we have often been told,

By moderns as well as by poets of old; And that twang'd from his bow his unerring dart

Strikes home to each bosom possess of a heart. No fex does he spare, for the maid and the youth

Whose hearts are transfix'd, will vouch for this truth.

His dominion I own: would he help me to fpeed,

Let him lend me his wings to fly to Minefleed;

There, embracing my Phebe, her fweet fmiling face

Will quickly the pain of long absence efface, Till panting and breathless our filence would

That the pains of true love lead to true joys alone.

The wings of his godship I'd then throw away, For an age with low'd Phebe would pass like a day. ANACREON.

ODE XV.

"Ου μοι μέλει Γυγαο, καὶ αλλ.

CARE not for Gyges the Sardian King;
Gold has not a charm to me;

What riches or power to a Tyrant may bring,—

Such never my envy shall be :

But my beard I with odours delight to perfume,

While chaplets of rofes around my head bloom.

To-day is my care.—Who's fure of tomorrow?

To day, then, while yet it is fair, Let the dice and the bottle exclude every forrow,

And Bacchus exult over care:
For should age or difease overtake us, youknow,
Then adieu all the joys from drinking that
flow!

R. I*M**s*N.

ANACREON,

ODE XVI.

Συ μεν λέγεις τα Θηβης, και αλλ.

S OME fing of Thebes, and some of Troy;—
My own defeats enough employ
My Muse.—Nor have or horse, or soot,
Or sleet thus put me to the rout.
Strange was the army, new the soe;—
'Twas eyes—eyes work'd my overthrow!

R. J*m**s N.

JOURNAL of the PROCEEDINGS of the SIXTH SESSION of the SEVENTEENTH PARLIAMENT of GREAT BRITAIN.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

THURSDAY, OCT. 29.
THIS day his Majesty being in his robes, and feated on the Throne, opened the fessions of Parliament with the following most gracious Speech:

"My Lords and Gentlemen,
"It is a great iatisfaction to me to reflect, that, notwithstanding many events unfavourable to the common cause, the prospect resulting from the general situation of affairs has, in many important respects, been materially improved in the course of the present year.

"In Italy, the threatened invasion of the French has been prevented; and they Vol. XXVIII. Nov. 1795. have been driven back from a confiderable part of the line of coast which they had occupied: there is also reason to hope that the recent operations of the Austrian army have checked the progress which they had made on the fide of Germany, and frustrated the offensive projects which they were pursuing in that quarter.

"The fucceffes which have attended their military operations in other parts of the campaign, and the advantages which they have derived from the conclusion of feparate Treaties with fome of the Powers who were engaged in the war, are far from compensating the evils which they expe-

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rience from its continuance. The defiruction of their commerce, the diminution of their maritime power, and the unparalleled embarrassiment and distress of their internal situation, have produced the impression which was naturally to be expected; and a general sense appears to prevail throughout France, that the only relief from the increasing pressure of these difficulties must arise from the restoration of Peace, and the establishment of some

fettled system of Government. " The distraction and anarchy which have so long prevailed in that Country, have led to a crifis of which it is as yet impossible to foresee the issue, but which must, in all human probability, produce confequences highly important to the interests of Europe. Should this crisis terminate in any order of things compatible with the tranquillity of other Countries, and affording a reasonable expectation of fecurity and permanence in any Treaty which might be concluded, the appearance of a disposition to negociate for a general Peace on just and suitable terms, will not fail to be met, on my part, with an earnest defire to give it the fullest and speediest But I am perfuaded you will agree with me, that nothing is to likely to enfure and accelerate this defirable end, as to shew that we are prepared for either alternative, and are determined to profecute the war with the utmost energy and vigour, until we have the means of concluding, in conjunction with our Allies, such a Peace as the justice of our cause and the fituation of the enemy may entitle us to expect.

"With this view I am continuing to make the greatest exertions for maintaining and improving our naval superiority, and for carrying on active and vigorous operations in the West-Indies, in order to secure and extend the advantages which we have gained in that quarter, and which are so nearly connected with our commercial resources and maritime strength.

"I rely with full confidence on the continuance of your firm and zealous support, on the uniform bravery of my fleets and armies, and on the fortitude, perfeverance, and public spirit of all ranks of my people.

"The acts of hostility committed by the United Provinces, under the influence and controul of France, have obliged me to treat them as in a state of war with this

"The fleet which I have employed in the North Seas has received the most cordial and active affistance from the naval

force furnished by the Empress of Russa, and has been enabled effectually to check the operations of the enemy in that quarter.

"I have concluded engagements of defensive alliance with the two Imperial Courts; and the ratifications of the Treaty of Commerce with the United States of America, which I announced to you last year, have now been exchanged. I have directed copies of these Treaties to be laid before you.

"Gentlemen of the House of Commons, "It is matter of deep concern to me, that the exigencies of the public service will require further additions to the heavy burdens which have been unavoidably imposed on my people. I trust that their pressure will, in some degree, be alleviated by the flourishing state of our commerce and manufactures; and that our expences, though necessarily great in their amount, will, under the actual circumstances of the war, admit of considerable diminution in comparison with those of the present year.

" My Lords and Gentlemen,

"I have observed, for some time past, with the greatest anxiety, the very high price of grain, and that anxiety is increafed by the apprehension that the produce of the wheat harvest in the present year may not have been fuch as effectually to relieve my people from the difficulties with which they have had to contend. The spirit of order and submission to the laws which, with very few exceptions, has manifested itself under this fevere pressure, will, I am sure, be felt by you as an additional incentive to apply yourfelves with the utmost diligence to the confideration of fuch measures as may tend to alleviate the present distress, and to prevent, as far as possible, the renewal of fimilar embarrassiments in future. Nothing has been omitted on my pert that appeared likely to contribute to this end; and you may be affured of my hearty concurrence in whatever regulations the wifdom of Parliament may adopt, on a fubject to peculiarly interesting to my people, whose welfare will ever be the object nearest my heart."

His Majesty having withdrawn, their Lordships adjourned during pleasure. In this interval intelligence was received of a most flagitious violation of the honour and dignity of Parliament in his Majesty's most facred Person, on his return from the House of Peers. The Members of the Cabinet Council, and the High State Officers who were present, formed a fort of Council

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round the Woolfack, which continued with frequent interruptions occasioned by the ingress and egress of Messengers until fix o'clock, when the House was relieved from a painful state of suspence by Lord Grenville, who moved, that before their Lordships proceeded to the business of the day, the bar should be cleared, in order to devise some means of detecting and bringing to justice the persons who had the audacity to infult his Majesty's most facred person on his way from the House of Peers to St. James's Palace.

Strangers being immediately ordered to withdraw, and all the avenues to the House being cleared, a detail of the proceedings that occurred on this most extraordinary business cannot be furnished. It is however understood that Lord Grenville proposed that a Secret Committee should be appointed to enquire into, and report on, the evidence that should be laid before them

on the subject of this outrage.

This proposition was resisted by the Earl of Lauderdale, who contended, that if grounds were laid before them to induce the House to institute an enquiry, that enquiry ought to be public; and although the Motion might be sanctioned by a recent precedent (the Secret Committee who drew up the Report on the persons indicted for High Treason last year), yet a public enquiry would be more fatisfactory, and more conducive to the ends of justice.

After a debate of some length and much animation, it was agreed that the constables, &c. who had taken sive or six persons into custody for their outrageous conduct in the Park on his Majesty's return from the House should be examined at their Lordships bar; which being agreed to, Mr. Stockdale, a bookseller in Piccadilly, Mr. Walford, a haberdasher in the vicinity of the Palace, Mr. Kennedy, an officer from Bow-street, and two other persons, severally underwent an examination.

A conversation then ensued on the mode of condust that the House should adopt. The result was, that a message should be fent to the House of Commons, acquainting them that their Lordships desired a present conference on a subject which materially affected the safety of his Majesty, and the honour and dignity of Parliament.

The Messengers, on their return,

informed the House, that the Commons had acceded to the proposition for a conference, which took place accordingly in the Jerusalem Chamber. The result of this conference could not be learned; but the House, before its rising, was ordered to be summoned for the morrow, at half past three o'clock, to take his Majesty's Speech into confirmation.

FRIDAY, OCT. 30.

Their Lordships met at an early hour this morning, and made confiderable progress in the business respecting the flagitious insult offered to his Majesty on the preceding day, as he was returning from the House of Peers.

The order of the day being read for taking into confideration his Majesty's speech to both Houses of Parliament, and the same being read by the prin-

cipal Clerk,

Lord Mount Edgecumbe rose to move an Address to his Majesty in return for his gracious communication. He began by reviewing the leading circumstances of the war, and remarked that the very defeats of the Allies had been favorable to us, for unless the military force of France had been so occupied, it would have been feverely felt by this country. defection of some of our Allies, he faid, was of less moment than might have been expected, for no ferious inconvenience could accrue from that defection, when we confidered this country as separately at war with France, Our own operations had, upon the whole, been greatly if not uniformly In the East and West Infuccessful. dies we had made many conquests, and ftill retained a decided superiority. His Lordship next adverted to the disposition expressed in his Majesty's Speech to receive such overtures, on certain conditions, as might be compatible with the accustomed relations of amity and peace; and this concession was, in his opinion, all that candour could expect or policy allow. In allufion to the West India expedition, he said he looked with a satisfaction much increased towards the successes he anticipated in that quarter. Our affairs were, upon the whole, fo prosperous that instead of unbecoming and im. prudent condescension on our part, he recommended, in the language of the Speech, that we should be prepared for the alternative of war, and continue undiminished our activity and vi-

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gour. This was the mode of condust best calculated to produce a peace on terms safe and honourable to accept. He then entered into a minute investigation of the state of the French sinances, which he contrasted with our own, and contended, that such was the rapid depreciation of assignats, that it would be impossible for them to continue the war on the same principle. The Noble Lord concluded by reading the Address he moved, which was, as usual, responsive of the sentiments contained in the Speech.

Lord Walfingham feconded the Ad-

dress.

A message from the Commons acquainted the House that the Commons had agreed to the Address for a conference.

The question being put on the Ad-

drefs,

The Duke of Bedford rose to state his objections to the Address in its prefent shape, and to propose another exactly fimilar to the one which had been proposed in the House of Commons. His Grace faid, it would be more confiftent with the dignity of Parliament for the House to speak their own sentiments than to subscribe to a mere echo of the Speech, and happy should he be if their decision was a recommendation for a pacification. He then animadverted on the different topics contained in the Speech in an able and fatisfactory manner. But as the remarks were in some degree anticipated by the debate on the Address in the House of Commons, we deem it unnecessary to follow his Grace in a detail of those remarks. He next arraigned the conduct of Administration, whom he termed wicked and corrupt, and conjured the House to draw afide that flimfy veil which was thrown over his Majesty, whose paternal care would induce him to exercise an act of the Royal Prerogative, which alone could fave the Country from destruction. He concluded by moving an Amendment to the Addrefs.

Lord Grenville, in a speech of two hours, combated the arguments that had been adduced by the Duke of Bedford, and concluded by giving his most decided negative to the Amendment.

The Marquis of Lanfdowne expreffed his aftonishment at the words that had been put into his Majesty's mouth, and delivered from the Throue; and

having passed a number of strictures on the Speech, proceeded to the topics that had induced him to attend the House on this occasion. The enormous price of grain was the subject he al-luded to. Last January, when he read a paper, stating that the industrious poor of his neighbourhood could not procure other food than bread and water; and when he mentioned the excessive scarcity of provisions with which the country was about to be afflicted, he was branded with the appellation of Jacobin, who wished to arouse the populace against the Government of the Country. How far his predictions on the subject of scarcity had been realized, he left for others to determine. The poor, he faid, in many parts of the country, were unable to procure even bread and water. Government Contractors were always upon the watch, and bought up all the cattle and hogs that were formerly flaughtered for the use of the poor. Besides this, they were generally killed half fattened and before they had attained their full growth, which destroved the breed, and extended the inconvenience to posterity. The confumption in fleets and encampments was much greater than if the men were dispersed in the country villages, exercifing their respective trades. Peace, immediate peace, was therefore, in his opinion, the only remedy that could reach the root of the evil, and fave the country from impending ruin. Next to this, he thought the fufferings of the poor might be alleviated by the equalization of labour; and he fuggested the propriety of bringing in a Bill for that purpose, in order that every man's pay should be in proportion to the increased price of provisions. After reprobating in severe terms the conduct of Administration, the Noble Marquis concluded by giving his most hearty support to the Amendment.

A debate of confiderable length enfued, which being merely a repetition of the arguments used in the House of Commons, we shall not say it before our readers.

The speakers in favour of the Address were, the Earl of Mansfield, Lord Hawkesbury, Earl Spencer, and the Lord Chancellor.

In support of the Amendment, Lord Darnley, the Duke of Grafton, and Lord Lauderdale.

The Duke of Bedford did not choose

to take the sense of the House on his Motion, and accordingly withdrew it.

Earl Spencer gave notice, that on Monday next he thould propose a Vote of Thanks to Admiral Lord Bridport for his meritorious fervices.

At half past one o'clock the House adjourned to

SATURDAY, OCT. 31.

This day the House met at half past one, and proceeded to St. James's with their Address.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THURSDAY, OCT. 29. THE Speaker having read his Majefty's Speech, Lord Dalkeith, fon of the Duke of Buccleugh, rose to move an Address. His Lordship proceeded to take a general view of our refources, the extent of our commerce, and the fuccesses which have attended our arms, both in the East and West Indies; which having gone through, he moved, that an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, for his most gracious Speech which he had been pleafed to deliver from the Throne. [Here followed the Address, which, as usual, was an echo of the Speech.]
The Hon. Mr. Stewart, fon of the

Earl of Londonderry, rose to second the Address. It was not necessary to go back to the beginning of the war, in order to prove the desperate state of France; the prefent was fufficient to prove that the contest must be brought to a conclusion favourable to this country. Affignats and the system of terror. two great supporters of the French relources, were now almost exhausted. The Hon. Gentleman here entered into

French government. The present syltem, he maintained, would also be abandoned by them, as well as the lystem of terror. He concluded by seconding the Address.

a calculation of the losses on the affig-

nats, and the enormous expences of the

Mr. Sheridan began with expressing his furprize that the word fatisfaction should appear in the first line of his Majesty's Speech. He conceived it a mark of true religion, to be fatisfied in the midst of distress and disappointment. The abstinence, the religion, the meekneis, and picty of his Majesty's Minifters were generally acknowledged, but it was necessary to know on what their satisfaction rested. When the House is now affured from the Throne, that they are menaced with famine, how could the Minister have the assurance to use the word fatisfaction.

Mr. Sheridan then expatiated on the wisdom of the Elector of Hanover in making peace, and observed, that however averse the House might be to the introduction of Hanoverian troops, he ventured to pronounce it would have no objection to make an exchange and bring over his Majesty's Hanoverian counsellors. He then went into a long display of the catalogue of our misfortunes, to place the conduct of Ministry in the most contemptible light ima-

Mr. Sheridan then concluded a very animated speech with a declaration, that he would not vote a thilling for the fupplies, except fuch as related merely

to the Navv.

Mr. Jenkinsen replied to Mr. Sheridan. He reverted to the origin of the war, which was first begun by the French. Their views of aggrandizement were founded on overturning the government of this nation, through the propagation of their opinions and political fystem .- He thought that these objects were to be opposed by every effort of our arms. At the period when hoftilities commenced, the French fystem was ruinous, but now their constitutional ideas were fomewhat altered. Instead of that unqualified democracy they at first professed, they now required of their electors a qualification of landed property greater than in England. He observed, that the proposed division of offices in the new French Legislature afforded a prospect of greater fecurity, and removed in part our objections to peace, which would be ftill further leffened, when the new government now forming was fairly reduced to practice.

Mr. Jenkinson next adverted to an effect of the present war, which he confidered of no fmall consequence. ranks of his Majefty's fubjects, except the most profligate among the tich, and the vilest among the vulgar, had stepped forwards to express their detestation of French opinions; for there could be no compromife with these opinions and the fafety of the constitution. He then took a view of the internal state and distress

of France, where there are affignats now in circulation to the amount of 780 millions sterling, which are growing daily into fuch difcredit, that one guinea in gold will purchase 50 guineas

in affignats.

Mr. Fox declared, that after the very extraordinary Speech which he had heard from the Throne, he could not pats it over in filence. He wished to know how long his Majesty's Ministers were to build on speculations of terror and anarchy. Was it not sufficient to add 500,000l. serling to the annual taxes to pay the interest of 100,000,000l. and to have brought on the fearcity of last year; but must Ministers, besides, infult the people, by telling them that their condition is better than it was last year ?

With respect to the victory of the Austrians, it was not a victory of last

year, but last week.

He then entered on those topics, the general defection of the Allies, and the expeditions to the Coasts of France, which he confidered as conceived in the true spirit of madness and folly to reinstate the despotism of the Bourbons.

He maintained, that not one family in ten, in this country, could earn bread for themselves; and was this improving our fituation? He believed that France was in distress, and that the dearness of provisions arose from the war alone; but had not the least doubt but this country was in a worse situation.

Mr. Fox then concluded a long speech by moving, that after the words of the proposed address-" That an humble Address be presented to his Majestv," an amendment should be inserted, of which the following is the tenor: " To intreat his Majesty to review the events of the last three years, and the fituations of the fereral Powers who had been engaged in war. That in this period, two of our most confiderable allies had concluded treaties of Peace with the enemy, and one had entered into alliance with them. That in the West Indies the enemy had re-captured two islands taken from them, and had placed several of his Majestv's That exislands in extreme danger. peditions had been undertaken to the Coast of France, which proved thameful and abortive, and had difgraced the British name by the abandonment of those whom his Majestv's Ministers had affured of support. That fuch being the result of three campaigns, the House thought it their duty to intreat his Majesty no longer to listen to the opinion, that the governing Powers in France were incapable of maintaining the relations of peace and amity, but to look for indemnity only in the increased industry which peace would protect. And to declare to his Majesty, that if the existing Powers in France should, after the offer of a negociation, attempt to carry on the war for their own aggrandizement, the House would give his Majesty such aid as, being affished by the general energy of his people, would enable him effectually to repress the enemy, notwithstanding the weak and exhausted state to which the country has been reduced by

his Majesty's Ministers."

The Chancellor of the Exchequer declared, that, during a period of difcussion as difficult and important as had ever come before Parliament, the Right Hon. Gentleman opposite to him had never submitted to the House a propofition fo pregnant with danger, and every fort of hostility to the interest of the country, as that which he had just offered. Never, he hoped, was a greater distinction to be observed than between the Address and the Amendment then under confideration; an Amendment with which the Right Hon. Gentleman had concluded a speech the most extraordinary, perhaps, that had fallen from him amidst the many extraordinary fpeeches delivered upon the fubject of the war. In this Amendment a fupposed degradation of the nation in its character as a political body, was stated to be the reason of a submissive desire for peace, as well as of a total renunciation of all pretenfions to indemnity; and was referred to for the purpose of holding out the mockery of fecurity and protection for industry. Such a proposition, any Member of that House was allowed by its forms to make, without personal responsibility [a loud cry of Hear! Hear! from the Opposition fide of the House]; he could not, therefore, retort upon the Right Hon. Gentleman the threat of impeachment; but was he (Mr. Fox) the Minister of the country, and the author of a fimilar propofal, he would deferve impeachment as much as any Minister who ever differed its history .- Mr. Pitt then with a flow of eloquence and irrefiffible argument, greater than he ever before displayed in the House, combated the affertions of Mr. Fox, calling upon the House to judge, whether it became them. them, as Statesmen, to announce their own weakness and inability to continue the contest, and to declare their readiness to negotiate, without so much as knowing who are to receive the declaration .- I have no hefitation, fays Mr. Pitt, to declare, under what circumstances I should think it adviseable for this country to treat with France. Whether the new Constitution may have been put into activity, or may have been postponed, we are yet ignorant: " But when once that Constitution has " been put in activity, with fuch ac-" quiescence of the people as shall en-" able the Legislature to speak as the "Representatives of the French Na-" tion, we ought to be ready to negotiate, without any objection to the " form or nature of the Government." Then, and then only, will be the time to discuss the terms upon which Peace ought to be concluded; whether they are fuch as we can honourably accept, or will afford a reasonable prospect of security. But if by any premature declaration of weakness-if by any want of fortitude to bear our own fufferings, overlooking the ten-fold preffure under which the enemy labours, we floop to the humiliation now proposed; we must look to a much less satisfactory issue of the contest than I firmly expect, or than we might have obtained at different periods, or before other Powers were wanting to themselves in shrinking from the common cause. If we ARE TRUE TO OURSELVES, much may yet be accomplished. It will at least be faid, that if any Power stood in the breach, faved the rest of Europe, and gave time to those principles which threatened univerfal ruin, to spend their fury, it was a country, that enjoyed a mild and free Government.

After a few words from Messrs. Fox and Sheridan, in explanation, Mr. Wilberforce faid, that he perfectly approved of the Address, which had been so ably supported by his Right Hon. Friend, of the wisdom of whose conduct he had been convinced by his elo-

quence that night.

The House divided about twelve,

when there appeared

For the Amendment, Against it, 240 181 Majority,

FRIDAY, OCT. 30. A new writ was moved for the bo-

rough of Rye, in the room of General Clarke, deceased.

Another new writ was moved for Haddington, in the room of John Ha-

milton, Esq.

The House having resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House on the high price of Corn, Mr. Dudley Ryder in the Chair,

Mr. Pitt proposed a Resolution which passed the Committee, pursuant to which, leave was given to bring in a Bill for the continuation of an acl paffed last sessions to prevent the exporta-

tion of corn.

Mr. Huffey fuggested the propriety of a bounty on the growth of corn, as a remedy to any future scarcity of

Mr. Pitt observed, that as to a bounty, it ought to be delicately touched upon; but, however, an investigation into the cause of the present scarcity should be made as soon as possible.

General Smith spoke a few words on

the same subject.

Mr. Fox wished to know when the prohibition on distillers ceased, as that had a confiderable bearing on the bufi-

nefs now before the House.

Mr. Huffey faid, he also had intended to fpeak a few words on distilleries. He wished to be informed whether it was defigned to prevent their working after the expiration of the act, as the price of grain would be regulated accord-

The Report was then brought up, and the House was on the Tuesday fol-

lowing to refume the fubject.

A Message came down from the Lords, purporting that they had fent to that Honourable House a copy of the minutes of evidence of witnesles examined respecting the personal insult offered to the King, and also an Address to his Majesty, expressive of their indignation at the base attempt made

on his person.

The Address was read a first time by the Clerk at the table, and afterwards the minutes of evidence; the substance of which was, that Mr. John Walford, linen-draper and haberdasher, and Mr. Stockdale, bookseller, Piccadilly, John Watford Seare and Christopher Kennedy, Bow-street officers, had been witnesses of several difloyal expressions being used by divers persons on the day of the King going to the House of Peers. James Parker, footman to the King, who lives at Pimlico, faid, that the ball which broke the glass of the State coach, came from a bow window near the Ordnance Office, Mr. Hobart in the Chair. A Motion was then made. That supplies be

The Address was then read a second

time, and agreed to nem. con.

A Message was then sent down to the Lords, to notify the concurrence of the Commons to the Address.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, OCT. 31.

Lord Stopford, at the bar, acquainted the House, that his Majesty would be pleased to receive their Address at half past two o'clock this day.

At two o'clock the House adjourned over to Monday, and immediately proceeded to St. James's to present the Ad-

drefs.

MONDAY, NOV. 2.

The Speaker acquainted the House that his Majesty had been graciously pleased to receive both the Addresses, at St. James's, on Saturday last, to which his Majesty returned an answer, of which the following is an outline:—

" Gentlemen,

"I thank you for your loyal Address, in which you express so much concern at the attack made on my Perfon and Government. I shall use every endeavour to detect those persons who have been guilty of so daring an outrage, by which both the safety of my Person and the Constitution of these Kingdoms were so much endangered."

The order of the day for taking into confideration his Majesty's Speech, be-

ing moved, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, Mr. Hobart in the Chair. A Motion was then made, That supplies be granted to his Majesty; which was agreed to unanimously, and the Report of the Committee to be brought up to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Dundas rose and faid.

Mr. Secretary Dundas rofe and faid, that at no period of the history of these kingdoms was the military ardour of any Officer fo conspicuously distinguished as that of Admiral Lord Bridport for the eminent services he had rendered this country on all occasions, but more particularly in his engagement with a detachment of the French fleet on the 3d of June last, and for the important victory gained over it on that day: he would therefore move, That the Thanks of this House be given to Admiral Lord Bridport; which was agreed to nem. con. then moved, That the Thanks of this House be also given to Vice-Admirals Harvey, Lord Hugh Seymour, and Rear-Admiral Gardiner; which was alto agreed to unanimoufly, and the fame to be fignified to them by Admiral Lord Bridport. He then moved, the Thanks of that House to be given to all the Captains and other Officers of that part of the fleet. And laftly, That the Thanks of that House be likewife given to the Seamen and Marines, and that the same be made known to them by their Captains.

Adjourned.

STATE

Address of General Pasqual De Paoli to the Citizens of Corsica.

DEAREST COUNTRYMEN,

FLATTERED myself that, after my retirement from public affairs, I frould have been enabled to contemplate in tranquillity the happy fituation of Corfica, under the auspices of a great and magnanimous King, to whom we are so fortunate as to belong; but the false and malicious language held forth against my honour, and our common loyalty, in confequence of the popular commotions that have arisen in several parts of the island, obliges me to break my filence, not only that I may be enabled to confound the calumny issued against me, but to ensighten you on the subject of your real interests in so alarming a crifis, occasioned by the

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fecret machinations of some infidious individuals, the determined enemies of our

prefent happy system.

In consequence of the general discontent, which, to my great grief, I fee prevail against the subordinate individuals of our Government, some Remonstrances have been presented to the Representative of his Majesty. There is no doubt that, in so doing, you have availed yourselves of a right folemnly guaranteed by the Constitutional Act; and it cannot be denied that your complaints are grounded on facts that will not admit of any folid objection: if, therefore, they are expressed in conformity to the laws, and with due respect to the dignified character of the person under whose consideration they legally come, there can be very little doubt of your wishes being complied with. You

You shall have my support, when I find your Remonstrances qualified by the regular legal terms; but I shall be the first to oppose them with my voice, and to shew my resentment, in union with all the loyal subjects of his Majesty, if they have any tendency to commute the national honour, in which case they cannot fail incurring the just indignation of our gracious Sove-

reign.

I must confess that I entertain some doubts as to the propriety of the manner in which your complaints have been urged; but I am, at the same time, persuaded, that, if you have mistaken the time and mode of delivering them, you will not forget the decency and due respect to which Government is entitled. I cannot, however, help apprifing you, that there are among you many old, and even some new enemies of our liberty, who, notwithstanding we have frustrated their repeated efforts to oppose our union with the powerful British Empire, still flatter themselves that they may derive some consequence from the present circumstances, and therefore take advantage of them, with a view of dissolving the new bonds of friendship, so happily entered into, and depriving us of the bleffing of our happy fituation, in the attainment of which so much blood has been spilt; and I am perfectly aware that all their powers are now exerted in the desperate attempt. To their malicious infligations I must attribute the illegal proceedings which, I am informed, have occurred in some places, of which calumny is eager to brand me as an accomplice, and even a principal author, and to make me responsible for the consequences that may refult from them; at the fame time that the rectitude of your intentions is perverted to turbulence and difloyalty towards our gracious Sovereign, for the purpose of prejudicing his Majesty against your application.

Dear Countrymen, it is in consequence of the confidence you have constantly had in me, and in which you generously perfevere, that I am encouraged to address you with firmness at this important moment, and to entreat you to confute the calumnious affertions of your enemies, by pursuing a conduct worthy of yourselves, and deserving the favour of his Majesty, who has been graciously pleased to take upon himself the Government of our country under a free Constitution, and our own Laws, after having contributed with his forces to deliver us from an

enemy, who threatened our country with utter extinction.

The beneficence of his Majefty towards Corfica had been manifested long before his assumption of its Government; and I solemnly protest, that no person shall surpass the zeal and activity with which I shall be constantly animated in supporting his Royal prerogative in this kingdom; a prerogative which, by a happy combination, independent of his singular magnanimity, our gracious Sovereign cannot avail himself of but for the happiness of his people.

My efforts, however, to this important end will not be sufficient, if I am to depend on my personal strength only: but I rely, with the utmost considence, that you will be constantly united to me in shewing to his Majesty, with loyalty both of sentiment and action, a faithful submission to his Government, and the high gratitude which the repeated instances of his Royal muniscence have impressed in the hearts of all the Citizens of Corsica.

I therefore perfift in earnestly recommending to you to be moderate, to be submissive to the laws made by yourselves, and to behave with due respect towards the Representative of that gracious Sovereign, from whose goodness so much is to be expected.

Wait with becoming patience until your Parliament is affembled, when only you will be authorized to prefent, with propriety, your Remonstrances in favour of the reform of the abuses against which you complain, and express the expediency of amending those laws which you do not conceive calculated for the actual circumstances of your Country.

For the fuccess of your application, if it is just, and worthy of your character, you may rely with confidence on the wisdom and zeal of your Representatives, and on the justice and generosity of his Majesty.

I therefore confide in your loyalty, that, in spite of those who manifestly appear interested in calumniating your conduct, you will maintain inviolably your engagements, entered into by solemn oath, to be faithful to your Constitution and King; and, by your submission to the existing laws, and to his Majesty's Government, you will prove yourselves worthy of his further favour. I conclude by wishing you a perfect and solid happiness.

PASQUAL DE PAOLI.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

[FROM THE LONDON GAZETTES.]

ADMIRALTY OFFICE, OCT. 20.

His Majefly's Ship Fortitude, Off. 12, 1795. Cape Finisterre, by account, bearing East about 16 or 17 leagues.

BE pleased to acquaint my Lords Com-Gibraltar Bay the 24th of Sept. taking the first spirt of an easterly wind after my letter written their Lordships of the 2 ist of the same month, when the wind

was westerly.

In coming through the Gut in the night, his Majesty's ships Argo and Juno, with some of the ships, parted company, and, I conclude, by steering more to the northward than myfelf with the other men of war and body of the convoy, it being near dusk in the evening before many got out of Gibraltar Bay, though the Fortitude was under weigh with the much greater part by ten A. M.: but, on the whole, their feparation has turned out a most fortunate circumstance; for, with great regret, I am to inform their Lordships, that, on the 7th instant, Cape St. Vincent, by account, bearing S. 83. E. 48 leagues, the wind N. by W. standing on the larboard tack, I discovered nine fail of the enemy's thips, fix of the line, two of which I judged to be of 80 guns, and three large frigates, who directly gave chace to his Majesty's ships under my command and convoy, under a prefs of fail. I made every possible disposition for the better fecurity of the convoy by divers fignals, and which, had many of them been punctually obeyed, amuch greater number would have efcaped. I then formed the line with the Bedford, Censeur, and Fortitude, determined, if possible, to give them battle, and fave as many of the convoy as I possibly could.

Just as the ships under my command had formed, the Cenfeur rolled away her fore-top-mast; by which, having only a frigate's main-mast, she was rendered useless. The van line-oftattle-ship of the enemy then but long gun fhot off, and the rest coming fast up, I judged it proper, with the general opinion of my Officers, coincided with that of Capt. Montgomery, of the Bedford, to bear up, keeping very near

together for our mutual support, and cutting down every part of the stern for the chace guns. I ordered the Lutine frigate directly to take the Cenfeur in tow, but, from the very heavy fire from the enemy's van ship, it could not be effected.

Captain Gore, who commanded her, though in the disabled state his ship was in, not half manned (and but very little powder), made a most gallant defence; but being overpowered at last by two fail more of the enemy's line coming, I had the mortification to fee him firike his colours about half past two o'clock.

The Bedford and Fortitude kept up

their mutual fire from their stern chaces from all the decks; and about one hour afterwards the enemy hauled their wind on different tacks, to fire on the convoy as they came up with them. The three frigates from the first employed themselves on that service.

When I first made the enemy's force to be of fuch magnitude as to leave no hopes of faving the convoy, I dispersed them by fignal, and I believe many escaped; at least fifteen sail I am sure did. For further particulars, I must refer their Lordships to Captain Turner, the bearer of these dispatches, who, with Captain Haggett of the Lutine, I must beg leave to recommend to their Lordthips as very deferving Officers.

Had the enemy come to close action with the Bedford and myfelf, I am well affured every effort would have been used by Captain Montgomery, his Officers and fhip's company; and more fully fo, from the handsome support he gave me while the firing continued, for his Majesty's service, and our mu-

tual support.

My Officers and ship's company behaved with that coolness that generally attends British seamen in such cases, and I am fure would have fought the ship to the last moment, had the enemy come up. I flatter invfelf every thing was done, first to save the convoy, and afterwards his Majesty's ships; and I hope and trust my conduct in this unfortunate bufiness will meet his Majesty's and their Lordships approbation.

> I am, &c. T. TAYLOR.

Evan Nepean, Efq.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, OCT. 20.

Extract of a Letter from Sir Peter Parker, Bart. dated Royal William, at Spithead, Oct. 17, 1795, to Evan Nepean, Efq.

I HAVE the pleasure to acquaint you, for the information of their Lordships, that his Majesty's ships and sloop named in the margin ** are arrived at Sputhcad. I have given Captain Taylor of the Fortitude leave to go to town to give their Lordships such particulars of the late action with the enemy, as

Extract of a Letter from Captain Burges to Evan Nepean, Esq. dated Argo, off the Needles, Oct. 17, 1795.

they may be defirous of knowing.

YOU will please to inform my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty of the arrival of his Majesty's ship Argo, under my command, together with the Juno, Lord A. Beauclerk, and thirty-two sail of the convoy, which left Gibraltar Bay on Thursday the 24th of September, under the Fortitude,

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, OCT. 24.

Extrast of a Letter from Commodore Sir John Borlafe Warren, K. B. to Evan Nepean, Ejq. dated La Pomone, Road of Ifle Dieu, Od. 17, 1795.

I BEG you will inform their Lordships, that the Aquilon frigate arrived on the 4th inft. from Sir James Saumarez, with dispatches, and put to sea again the same day: At eleven A. M. on the 15th she returned, and informed me that there were two ships of Admiral Hervey's squadron in chace of the enemy. I immediately gave orders for the Concorde to weigh, and doing fo with La Pomone, leaving five fail of transports in the charge of Lieutenant Bowling, of the Swinger gun veffel, and having cleared the fourth end of the Island, I discovered the enemy, with the Orion and Thalia in chace, and foon after perceived two other fail, which proved to be the Melampus and Latona; the Aquilon, who was the headmost, being within gun-shot of the enemy, they doubled the Baleine Bank, and proceeded up the Perteus D'Antioche to Rochfort, from which it was not possible to cut them off. I hauled to the wind directly, and discovered two other fail in the N. W. steering in for the land; the whole squadron chased, and on our nearer approach found them to be a line-of-battle ship and a corvette brig; I endeavoured to cut them off from the land, and after feveral shot had been fired, the corvette brought-to, and proved to be L'Eville, of 18 guns, and 100 men; had been out 60 days, in company with La Forte, of 50 guns; Le Veriade, 36 guns; Tarteuf, 36 guns; and a lug-ger: They have, according to their report, taken 12 fail of West Indiamen; the two recaptures (Kent, of London, and Albion) by this ship and the Orion, were of the number of their prizes.

HORSE-GUARDS, OCT. 31.

A Dispatch of which the following is an extract, has been received by the Right Hon. Henry Dundas, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, from Vice-Admiral the Hon. Sir G. K. Elphinstone, K. B. dated on board his Majesty's ship Monarch, Simon's Bay, Cape of Good Hope, August 18, 1795.

I had the honour of informing you, in a former diffatch, that the Dutch were entrenched in a ftrong position at Muyfenberg, and well furnished with cannon, having a steep mountain on their right, and the sea on their left, difficult of approach on account of shallow water, with high surf on the shore, but which the absolute necessity of the post rendered requisite that we should posses, and made it obvious to Major-General Craig and myself that it ought to be artempted.

For this fervice I fecretly prepared a gun-boat, and armed the launches of the fleet with heavy cannonades, landed two battalions of feamen, about one thousand, under the command of Captains Hardy of the Echo, and Spranger of the Rattlefnake, and sent ships frequently around the Bay, to prevent fuspicion of an attack, when any favourable opportunity might offer.

On the 7th inft. a light breeze fprung up from the North-West, and at twelve o'clock the preconcerted fignal was made; when Major-General Craig, with his accustomed readiness and activity, instantly put the forces on shore in motion, and at the same moment Commodore Blanket, equally zeaious, in the America, with the Stately, Echo, and Rattlesnake, got under weigh

whilst the gun-boats and armed launches preceded the march of the troops about 500 yards, to prevent their being inter-

rupted.

About one o'clock the ships being abreast of an advanced post of two guns, fired a few shot, which induced those in charge to depart; and, on approaching a second post of one gun and a royal mortar or howitzer, the effect was the same. On proceeding off the camp the confusion was instantly manifest, although the distance from the ships was greater than could have been wished, but the shallowness prevented a

nearer approach. The Echo led, commanded by Licutenant Tod of the Monarch, and anchored in two and a half fathoms, followed by the America, which anchored in four and a half, then the Stately and Rattlefnake, anchoring nearer, in proportion to their leffer draughts of water, off the enemy's works, which began to fire, and the fire was returned by the floops; but an increase of wind prevented the large ships from acting until they had carried out heavy anchors. This duty was performed by the Commanders with great coolness, much to their own honour and their country's credit.

In a few minutes after the fire opened, which obliged the Dutch to abandon their camp with the utmost precipitation, taking with them only two field-pieces, and at four o'clock the Major-General took possession of it, after a fatiguing march over heavy fandy ground. To him I beg leave to refer, for the particulars of what was taken therein, as the fear an fo high that no person from the ships or gun boats could venture to

land.

In transmitting to you the proceedings of the fleet under my command, I shall at all times feel great satisfaction in doing justice to the merits of the feveral officers. To their judgment and good conduct in the prefent instance is to be attributed the immediate fuccess which attended the attempt; it is therefore my duty to recommend to his Majefty's notice Commodore Blankett, Captain Douglas, Lieutenant Tod of the Monarch, commanding the Echo, and Lieutenant Ramage, also of the Monarch, commanding the Rattlefrake, and Mr. Charles Adam, of the Monarch, Midshipman, who commanded the gun-boat. I am fenfibly obliged to them, each individually, for their Ready and correct discharge of my orders.

I must further beg leave to add, that it is univertally agreed the Echo's fire was superiorly directed and ably kept up; and particular acknowledgments are also due to the officers and men for the general zeal and activity which appeared in every countenance, of which I was enabled to judge with more precision, as the Commodor e obligingly permitted me to accompany him, and to wifit the other ships employed under his direction upon this fervice.

The America had two men killed and four wounded, and one gun difabled, being firuck by a thot; the Stately, one man wounded. Some fhots paffed through the fhips, but did not material-

ly injure them.

I am fearful the Major-General will not be able to write by this conveyance, a Genoefe ship, which intends touching at St. Helena, as he is now at Muysenbers.

I have enclosed a list of the Dutch

ships detained in this Bay.

Lift of Dutch Ships detained in Simon's

Bay, Aug. 18, 1795.
The ship Willemstadt en Boetzlaar,
Captain St. Kooter, 978 tons, arrived
May 10, 1795, from the Texel. Landed her cargo here.

De Yonge Boniscacius, Captain Jan Nicholas Croese, 488 tons, arrived June

24, from Batavia, laden.

Gertruyda, Capt. M. de Vries, 660 tons, arrived May 9. from Amsterdam. Landed her cargo here.

Het Vertrouven, Captain Hilbrand Van Wyen, 890 tons, arrived Aug. 14,

from Batavia, laden.

Louisa and Anthony, Captain Kersjin Hilbrand, 640 tons, arrived Aug. 14, from Batavia, laden.

DOWNING STREET, NOV. 11, 1795.

DISPATCHES, of which the following are copies, have been received from Lieutenant-Colonel Craufurd by the Right Hon. Lord Grenville, his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Foreign Department.

Head Quarters, Weilmunster, Oct. 18, 1795.

MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to inform your Lordship, that fince the 13th inst. the advanced guards of the Austrian army, under Generals Boros, Kray, and Haddick, have been in constant pursuit of the enemy on all the roads leading across the Lahnberween Weilburghand

Nasiau.

Nassau. General Warneck, with the referve, marched towards Limbourg, as a central point, from which he could support the advanced guards to his right or left, according to circumstances, whilst the main army advanced to the Camp of Weilmunster, between Usingen and Weilbourg, ready to cross the Lahn at the latter place, and attack the enemy's left if they should attempt to maintain a position on that river.

The Marshal has taken every step that he judged best calculated to distress their army; but their retreat has been fo precipitate, and the country through which they marched so extremely intersected with woods and deep valies, that he has only been able to bring on some affairs with the best troops of the rear-guards of their different columns. In these the Austrians have taken several cannon, a great many ammunition waggons, and between one and two thouland priloners, besides having killed and wounded considerable numbers.

It is expected that the enemy will raise the siege of Ehrenbreitsein to-day, and they seem determined to pass the Rhine, with the principal part of their army, at Neuweid (where they have bridges) as expeditionsly as possible. Their left column is directing its march towards Cologne.

The Austrian advanced guards, supported by the reserve, are still in pur-

fuit.

The enemy have destroyed a great quantity of powder and other stores, which they had not time to fend away.

I have the honour to be, &c. C, CRAUFURD.

Head Quarters, Weilmunster, Oct. 19, 1795.

MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to inform your Lordship, that the siege of Ehrenbreitstein is raised, and the enemy are crossing the Rhine as expeditionly as possible at Neuwied.

> I have the honour to be, &c. C. CRAUFURD.

Right Hon. Lord Grenville,

Head Quarters of Marshal Clerfaye's Army, Limburg, Oct. 26, 1795.
MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to inform your Lordship, that General Wurmfer has obtained a fignal advantage over the French in the neighbourhood of Manheim, of which the following is a detail:

In the night from the 17th to the 18th inft. that part of the Austrian army which was flationed before Manheim affembled in five columns, commanded by General Wurmfer in perfon, to attack the different posts that the enemy occupied in front of that place. The difposition was very matterly, and the spirited manner in which it was executed answered fully to the wish and expectations of the General. After a fevere action, all the works that the enemy had thrown up were carried; their tents and a great deal of baggage were taken, befides fome cannon and feveral ammunition-waggons.

Owing to an impenetrable fog, which continued the whole night and great part of the morning, the communication between the different columns was extremely difficult, the prompt execution of orders was impossible, and the Generals could not conduct their attacks with any degree of certainty. This unfortunate circumstance inabled the enemy to get off most of their artillery, and prevented the Austrians from following them into the place, as

General Wurmser intended.

The Austrians had upon this occafion about thirty Officers and between fix and seven hundred non-commissioned Officers and privates killed and wounded. The French had one General Officer, twenty one Officers, and between five and fix hundred non-commissioned Officers and privates taken prisoners: their killed and wounded are supposed to amount to about 2000. In consequence of this victory Manheim is closely invested, and the bombardment will be begun immediately.

I have the honour to be, &c. C. CRAUFURD.

Lord Grenville, &c. &c. &c.

Head Quarters, Limburg, October 26, 1795.
MY LORD,

I Have the honour to inform your Lordfhip, that General Jourdan's left column, which had directed its march towards Cologne, has passed the Rhine, as well as all those troops who retired upon Neuwied.

From the reports of the different corps which are now collected, it appears that the Austrians have taken in all, during the enemy's retreat, about 4000 prifoners, 30 pieces of cannon, and 200 ammunition waggons. The enemy destroyed a great quantity

quantity of military stores, which they had not time to carry away. It is impossible to ascertain with any precision their number of killed and wounded, but it must have been very considerable, more especially as the peasants rose against them in many places. The whole country through which the French have marched on this occasion bear the most evident marks of their depredations. There is no village, and I may almost fay no house, that has not ample reason to lament this invalion; for, however short its duration has been, the effects will be felt for many years to come. The inhabitants have been plundered of their cattle, grain, and whatever could be found that was valuable. In many places what could not be carried off was destroyed. Even women and children have been murdered; in short the manifold acts of atrocity, which are proved in the clearest manner, are such as could only be perpetrated by men loft to every fentiment of humanity.

The Pruffian troops that were on the line of demarkation, and the guards which they stationed at different places for the purpose of affording protection, were ill treated and driven away by the French with expressions of resentment and con-

tempt.

I have the honour to be, &c. C. CRAUFURD. Right Hon. Lord Grenville,

Sc. Sc. Sc.

Head Quarters of Marshal Clersaye,

Mayence, October 30, 1795.
MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to acquaint your Lordship, that on the 18th instant the Austrian troops, under the command of Gen. Wurmfer, stormed the Galenberg, an entrenched height which formed an advanced post to the fortress of Manheim. The possession of this important point facilitates extremely the approaches against the body of the place. To favour the affault of the Galenberg, a false attack was intended to be made upon the Necker Fort; however, the impetuofity of the troops was fuch, that they stormed it without having orders to do fo; but as it could not be maintained, being immediately under the fire of the town, they abandoned it, atter spiking 13 pieces of

I have the honour to be, &c. C. CRAUFURD. Right Hon. Lord Grenville, &c. &c. &c. Head Quarters of Marshal Clersaye, Mayence, October 30, 1795.

MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to inform your Lordfnip, that Marshal Clerfaye attacked the enemy's intrenched camp before Mayence, yesterday, and gained a complete victory. The following is a detail of this very brilliant and important operation.

Your Lordship will recollect, that in the month of November last the French took a position upon the heights in front of Mayence, with their right to Laubenheim and their left to Budenheim; both of which villages are on the Rhine, the former above, and the latter below the fortrefs. This position completely invests the place on that fide; and from the time they first occupied it, almost to the day of the attack, they were constantly employed in constructing and perfecting the most formidable intrenchments. These confisted of two lines. The first was composed of large detached works, closed in the rear, and covered and joined with each other by three distinct ranges of trous de loups *. The fecond was a complete connected intrenchment, covered in the fame manner. The ditches of both lines were of a depth and breadth far beyond what is usual in field works. Every possible advantage had been taken of the ground, which is particularly favourable for the formation of a fortified camp; and the French Generals have been known to fay frequently in private, that they confidered this polition as wholly impregnable.

Marshal Clerfaye, after having forced General Jourdan to repass the Rhine, returned with a part of his army to the Camp of Wickert, about five English miles from Mayence; and in confequence of information received by him that the enemy intended to reinforce their army before that place very confiderably, he, without waiting for those troops that had advanced beyond the Lahn, determined to attack General Schaal, who occupied the entrenchments above described with fifty-two battalions of infantry, and sive regi-

ments of cavalry.

The army that was defined for this attack, confifting of thirty-two regular battalions, fome light infantry, and twenty-eight fquadrons of cavalry, taken partly from the garrifon of Mayence, was formed into four divinous cone, of ten battalions and ix fquadrons,

* Round pits of confiderable depth: each range was composed of feveral rows of those pits, placed irregularly and quite close together.

under

under General New; one, of ten battalions and fix squadrons, under General Stader; one, of five battalions and fixteen squadrons, under General Colloredo; and one, of feven battalions of grenadiers, under General Werneck. Generals New and Stader were to direct their march, the former towards the heights above Laubenheim, the latter towards Heiligy Creutz, (an old church in front of the enemy's right wing) forming their infantry into three lines, and attacking the right of the position in immediate connection with each other, whilft the Waraidine light infantry got round the village of Laubenheim; and about 1000 Slavenians, who were embarked on the Rhine, landed under the protection of fix gunboats behind the enemy's right, and kept up a heavy fire for the purpose of making a diversion. General Colloredo was to march towards Bretzenheim, a village in front of the enemy's center, from whence he was to detach a part of his troops, particularly cavalry, to co-operate with General Stader, and with a part of the remainder he was to make demonstrations towards different points of the center, whilst two of his battalions and two fquadrons, with a confiderable proportion of heavy artillery, made false attacks upon Monbach and Gonsenheim, two villages in front of the enemy's left. Some light troops were to land behind the left of the position, for the same purpose as those who landed behind the right. General Werneck's division was to remain on the glacis of Mayence as a referve.

It must be observed, that Marshal Clerfaye directed his real attack upon the most commanding, and by far the strongest part of the camp, because the immediate retreat of the enemy's whole army was the inevitable consequence of

fuccess on that point.

The attack commenced in this order at half an hour past five in the morning. The disposition was executed with the utmost accuracy, and in a very short time the battle was decided in favour of the Austrians, who displayed exemplary discipline and bravery. The general officers, finding that they could not advance on horseback on account of the trous de loups, dismounted, and entered the entrenchments on foot at the head of the troops. The enemy did not in the least expect to be attacked; and although they certainly had some time to prepare for their

defence, from the difficulties that the Auftrian troops had to furmount in approaching the works, yet it is to the circumfance of furprize, as well as to the uncommon intrepidity with which the attack was executed, that must be attributed their having abandoned without more resistance one of the most formidable positions that ever was occupied.

One hundred and fix pieces of cannon, two hundred ammunition waggons, and about two thousand prifoners, (among these two Generals and fixty other officers), are already brought into Mayence, whilst great quantities of stores of various kinds, collected for the purposes of the siege, have likewise fallen into the hands of the

Austrians.

The enemy's killed and wounded are supposed to amount to about 3000.

The Austrians had on this occasion between fixty and seventy officers, and about fifteen hundred noncommissioned officers and privates killed and wounded. Amongst the former were Lieutenant General Schmertring and Major-General Wolckenheim.

General Naund of croffed the Rhine in the afternoon with part of his troops that had been flationed in the neighbourhood of Gerau, and took poffef-

fion of Oppenheim.

The Marshal is now encamped in front of Mayence, and his light troops are pursuing in all directions.

[HERE END THE GAZETTES,]

[FROM OTHER PAPERS.]

Paris, Nov. 2. All the preliminary measures for the formation of the new Legislature have been gone through without difficulty or impediment. As late, however, as 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the 28th they had not yet entered formally on business.

The greatest tranquillity prevailed in Paris; and Barras had, in consequence, resigned the command of the army of

the interior.

The Duchy of Bouillon has been

united to France.

In the last sitting of the Convention, on the 26th of October, which did not break up till 5 the next morning, Daunou announced, that a Republican division had sunk 24 Portuguese vessels, and 6 English and taken an English brig, and another vessel 5500 tons coming from Brasil richly laden.

The last Acts of the Convention were

decreeing,

decrecing, that the punishment of death shall cease at the general peace, and annulling all proceedings and accusations relative to the events of the Revolution. All those imprisoned on this subject shall be liberated, if no charges exist against them respecting the late consuracy. All individuals accused of robbery or dilapidation may be proceeded against by a civil action for restitution only.

Those who oppose the putting of the new Constitution in activity; the fabricators of false assignate; the transported Priests, and the Emigrants, whether returned or not, are excepted from this

amnefty.

The Convention then declared that its Sittings were terminated (i.e. as a Convention); and it immediately formed itelf into an Electoral body, for completing the 500 remaining Members.

At eight o'clock at right, on the 27th of Oct. the Electoral body had completed the nominations it had to make, amounting to 105. During the night the Appel Nominal took place, for determining those of the re-elected Members who were 40 years of age, and who were married.

The Verification of Powers was finished, without any difficulty, on the 28th; and the Deputies divided themselves into two Chambers, and retired to their

respective Halls.

The Council of Five Hundred proceeded to form a lift of 50 Candidates, from which were to be chosen the five Members of the Executive Directory.

Of 350 individuals imprisoned in Quatre Nations, accused of Terrorism, 320 were released, on account of the am-

nesty.

The Council of the Ancients, on the 29th of October, elected for its Prefident Lareveillere Lepaux: Secretaries Lanjuinais, Baudin, Breard, and Charles Delacroix. It was chiefly occupied in appointing officers, and fuch other bufinefs. Among its Members are, Legendre, Duffault, Lacomb St. Michel, Vernier, Letournier, Thomas Lindet, Efchafferiaux, Goupilleau, Fourcroi, Merlin of Douai, and Johannot.

The Council of Five Hundred met on the fame day, and was occupied on the fame businets. It elected Danou President, and Cambaceres, Thibadeau, Chenier, and Reubell, Secretaries.

In the last debates of the expiring Convention, it was admitted that ten times the quantity of affignats existing in 1790 were now in circulation:

and it was proposed to fix the maximum, or highest price of the necessary articles of provisions, at twenty times the value of them in that year. This was not, however, decreed, but provisions were left to find their own price; which will probably be much higher than the proposed maximum.

On the 3d the Executive Directory was installed at the Little Luxemburgh. A Recoment of Dragoons formed the effort of the Executive Power!!

The Executive Directory has made a demand of three milliards, (about 150 millions sterling!) for ordinary and extraordinary expences. This was granted on the declaration of urgency.

On the 1st inst. the following were chosen Members of the Executive Di-

rectory:

Lareveillere Lepaux, Latourneur de la Manche, Reubell, Syeyes, and Bar-

ras.

Syeyes declined his appointment, and Carnot was chosen in his stead.

Lareveillere-Lepaux, having by his appointment to the Directory vacated his place of Prefident of the Council of Ancients, Baudin was chosen to replace him in the Prefidency.

The French Legislature has, amongst more ferious subjects, not neglected to employ itself-in regulating the dresses of the different functionaries, all of which they have decreed shall be of the growth and manufacture of the Republic.

The COUNCIL OF 500.—A long white robe and blue girdle, with a fear-let cloak, all of woollen. The cap of

blue velvet.

The Council of Ancients.—The fame form of drefs. The robe a violet blue, the girdle fearlet, the cloak white, and all woollen. The cap of velvet, the fame colour as the robe.

The EXECUTIVE DIRECTORY— Has two kinds of dress: one for its ordinary functions, and the other for af-

fisting in the National festivals.

The ordinary fuit.—A cloak drefs, back and fleeves of a bright orange 65-lour, lined with white, and richly embroideted with gold on the front and back.

A long white kerfey waiftcoat embroidered with gold. A white filk fearf fringed with gold, and black filk breeches.

A black round hat, turned up on one fide, and ornamented with a bunch of tri-coloured feathers.

The fword worn in a shoulder belt on

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the waistcoat. The colour of the belt bright orange.

The grand fuit.—A cloak dress of blue, and a cloak of scarlet over it.

Besides these, there are appropriate

dreffes for all the Ministers, Judges, &c. and infignia of office for all the public functionaries of whatever description.

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

OCTOBER 29. N the occasion of his Majesty's going to the House of Lords. Mall and the Parade of Saint James's Park, and Parliament-fireet, were completely choaked up with fpectators. The crowd was by no means fo great at the Coronation : and to fee the King go to the House, there never were before more than a tenth part of the numbers of this day; for they at least amounted to 200,000. Several Noblemen and Cabinet Ministers passed thro' the Park from Buckingham house about two o'clock. The Earl of Chatham, Duke of Gloucester, &c. were hissed, and the Duke of Portland was very much hooted.

About twenty minutes afterwards the King left Buckingham-house, and was violently hiffed and hooted, and groaned at the whole way; but no violence was offered till he arrived opposite the Ordnance Office, when a small pebble, or marble, or bullet, broke one of the windows. In returning, the moment his Majesty entered the Park, the gates of the Horfe-Guards were flut, for the purpose of excluding the mob who followed the carriage; at which, as it palfed opposite Spring Gardens Terrace, another stone was thrown, but it fortunately flruck the wood-work between the windows.

The crowd now pressed closely round the coach, and his Majesty, in considerable agitation, fignified, by waving his hands to the Horse-Guards on each fide, his anxiety that the multitude should be kept at a distance. In this way he passed on through the Park, and round by the Stable-yard, into St. James's Palace at the front gate, the bottom of St. James's-street. A confiderable tumult took place when his Majesty was about to alight, and one of the horses in the state coach took fright, threw down an old groom of the name of Dorrington, and broke one of his thighs, but it proved fortunately a simple fracture. His other thigh was confiderably bruifed, but not dangerously.

A few minutes after his Majesty had Vol. XXVIII. Nov. 1795.

entered the Palace, the mob attacked the state coach with stones, and did it great injury. In its way along Pall Mall to the Mews, many things were also thrown at it. After a short time the King went in his private coach from St. James's to Buckingham-house; but on his way through the Park, the mob surrounded the carriage, and prevented it from proceeding, crying out, "Bread! Bread! Peace! Peace!"—The guards were however speedily brought up, and they protected the carriage till his Majesty got safe into Buckingham-house.

When his Majesty entered the House of Peers, the first words he uttered were these, to the Lord Chancellor,

"My Lord, I have been thot at I"
This alluded to the fubfiance which had broke the window while paffing the Ordnance Office.

Three or four perfons were apprehended on fuspicion of having thrown stones, &c. at the King, and one of them was charged with having called our, "No King," and other fuch expressions. They were all examined at the Duke of Portland's Office; and, waiting the refult of this bufiness, nothing was done in the House of Lords till near fix o'clock, when Lord Westmoreland, who rode in the carriage with the King, having previously moved that firangers be ordered to withdraw, flated the infult and outrage with which the King had been treated; and added, that his Majesty, and those who had accompanied him, were of opinion, that the glass of the coach had been broken by a ball from an air gun, which had been that from a bow window of a house adjoining the Ordnance Office, with a view to affaifinate him.

The King, through the whole of the riot, displayed the cool magnanimity for which the family have ever been diffinguithed.—At the time that the glass of the coach was broken, he said to Lord Westmoreland—"That's a shot;" and, instead of leaning back in the carriage, or striving to avoid the assassing, he pointed to the round hole in the pane, and examined it. But this

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was not all :- he went into his private coach, to go from St. James's to the Queen's House, in the midst of the wildest commotions of the multitude. thereby exposing himself, almost without guards, to their fury; and then it was that his Majesty's person was most

imminently in danger. 30. Confident in the attachment of his people, notwithstanding the alarms of the preceding day, the King, accompanied by her Majesty and three of the Princesses, visited Covent Garden Theatre, and at their entrance were received with the usual burst of applaufe. - "God fave the King" was fung twice, and by a confiderable part of the House over-zealously called for a third time; this, in a corner of the gallery, provoked a few hisses, which however were foon over-ruled, and one or two of the most active of the turbulent party were turned out; after which the performance (The Rivals) went on.

Nov. 9. Mr. Ald. Curtis, the new Lord Mayor, was fworn into office at the Exchequer, Westminster-Hall, before the Lord Chief Baron. The day being uncommonly fine, the show was very brilliant both by water and land. The tide ferving early, the Lord Mayor and his company returned to Blackfriars

Bridge before three o'clock.

HURRICANE.

The memory of man does not recollect fo violent a hurricane as that which was fuffered on Friday morning, the 6th inft. Its continuance was happily short. It began about half pait one, and had totally Subfided before four o'clock. The squall came from the north-west, and was not accompanied by rain or hail. Its ravages were dreadful beyond description; trees were torn up by the roots, stacks of chimnies blown down in every corner of the metropolis, houses totally uncovered, and a number of buildings entirely demolished.

The following are a few of the par-

ticulars:

A house in Mead's-row, Lambeth, was blown down, and a lady, who flept in the first sloor, (and who was to have been married that day), buried in the ruins; two of the fervants were very much hurt. A child in the fame row was also killed, by the falling of a stack

A house in another part of Lambeth was unroofed, by which an old woman lost her life. In St. George's Fields, a

young woman was killed, and another dreadfully maimed, by the falling of a house. A house in New Road, Fitzroyfquare, and another in Conduit-street, were compleatly destroyed. A brewhouse belonging to Mr. Huskisson, in the New Cut leading to Westminster Bridge, another in St. John's-square, and the Orchestra in the Apollo Gardens, are entire heaps of ruins.

The house of Sir John Sinclair, at Whitehall, is very much injured; the upper part fell into the ftreet. dwelling of a poor man at Somers town, by trade a bow and arrow maker, was fwept away, and all his little

property destroyed.

The brick wall at the fouth end of the Opera-house was blown down, and falling in the adjoining court, did considerable damage to the houses. At Limehouse Bridge a pile of deal boards was thrown down, and care distance of a hundred yards.

Several dwellings in Cornhill, Moorfields, the Borough, Shadwell, Wapping, &c. &c. also received very mate-

rial injury.

Several large trees in St. James's and Hyde Park were blown down. and great numbers torn up by the roots in other places.

At Twickenham, alfo, feveral trees which stood before the house of Lord

Dyfart were blown down.

In St. James's Park and at Knightfbridge, similar accidents happened.

In Greenwich Park several trees fell a facrifice. The effects of this hurricane at fea, we fear, have been of the most melancholy nature. In the River several tier of thips started from their moorings, and received much injury.

An immense torrent of rain preceded the ftorm.

In the late high winds, feveral of the colliers and other vefiels were driven from their anchors in the Downs, on the Coast of France, where two or three of them went alhore; two or three others were to fortunate as to reach Calais harbour, by which their crews escap-

ed perishing.

In the Temple many chambers were unroofed. A prick wall and handsome paling, with which the Bedford Fields had been lately interfected, and the upper part of one of the new houses building on the same scite, were totally demolished. The paling feems to have been blown about the fields in sheets.

The King and Queen, who were at Buckingham House, arose from their beds, as did many hundreds of families; for the storm of wind was of that continuance, weight, and preffure, that scarcely any fabrick seemed to be capable of bearing its force.

IN THE COUNTRY,

Many of the largest and most beau. tiful trees in the walks of King's, St. John's, and Queen's Colleges, Cambridge, were torn up by the roots. St. John's bridge has also been confiderably

damaged.

At Brompton, Chatham, and Rochefter, the effects of the ftorm were leverely felt. The church of St. Margaret's, at the latter place, was much injured. The vestry-room chimney was blown down, and much of the tiling blown off.

At Norwich, one of the largest trees in Chapel field was actually fnapt in twain during the tremendous storm, and five others very much damaged. The demolition of chimnies, and the unroofing of houses, were very general throughout that city. Alio in the neigh. bourhood of Reading, a windmill on Bishop's Hill was totally demolished. The mail-coach going to Ipswich, was several times actually blown out of the road, and the guard obliged to difmount to lead the hories.

Great damage was done at St. A!bans; also to the buildings and walls of the Dowager Lady Spencer, and in and about Lord Grimston's park.

At Birmingham the hurricane was much felt; two women were killed by a stack of chimnies falling in Lionel-

fireet; Mr. Barker's garden-wall at Summer Hill, 180 feet long, covered with choice peach and nectarine trees. was entirely thrown down to its very foundation; and the night coaches were greatly impeded and endangered upon all the roads by the falling of trees torn from their roots, &c.

Much damage was also done the shipping at Spithead, and in various

parts along the coaft.

From Essex we are informed of the following particulars of a dreadful accident which occurred during the above hurricane :- A flack of chimnies belonging to the house of the Rev. Dr. Waller, Archdeacon of that county, at Waltham house, were blown down, and forced their way through the roof of the house, into the room where the Doctor was lying; the bricks drove a part of the roof with them, which fell directly upon him as he lay, and prevented him from making his escape: nearly a cart load of bricks was lying upon him with fome large beams at one time; affiftance was procured him as foon as possible, but the Doctor was unable (as we are informed) to rife; he was therefore obliged to be moved for the present: a surgeon was immediately fent for, and the bruises which he had received were hoped not to be mortal; he, however, languished till the Tuesday. following, and then, to the irreparable lots of his family and friends, died. Mrs. Waller had, providentially, just before the horrid crash, jumped out of bed and left the room, fearing something of the kind might occur, to alarm the family.

PROMOTIONS.

THE Earl of Macclesfield, elected High Steward of the Borough of Henley-upon-Thames, vice the late Earl.

Abel Moyfey, cfq. appointed deputy to the King's Remembrancer in the court of Fx-

chequer.

Henry Blackstone, esq. of the Inner Temple, appointed by the Lord Chancellor his fecretary of decrees, injunctions, and appeals, vice Willis, dec.

George Marquis Townshend, general of his Majesty's forces, appointed governor of the royal hospital at Chelsea, vice Howard, refigned.

Field-marshal Sir George Howard, K. B. ppointe d governor and captain of the IRe of

Jersey and Gouray, alias Montorgueil and Elizabeth, vice Conway, dec.

Lieut. gen. the Hon. Wm. Harcourt, appointed governor of Hull, vice Townshend,

Major general Edmund Stevens, appointed governor of the garrison of Fort William, in North Britain, vice Harcourt.

Lieut col. the Hon. George John Ludlow, appointed lieutenant governor of the town and garrison of Berwick, vice Stevens.

The Earl of Elgin appointed envoy-extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the Court of Berlin, vice Lord Henry Spencer,

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Doctor John Fellowes and Doctor ——Cleghorne, to be physicians to the forces.

George Renny, esq. to be director-general of the hospitals, and to the forces in Ireland.

Lieutenant general Morris, to be commander of the garrifon of Plymouth, in the abfence of the governor.

Major-general the Hon. Henry Edward Fox, commandant of Chatham Barracks, to be inspector-general of the recruiting service.

James Walker, efq. and John Archibald

Murray, efq. to be joint clerks of the pipe in Scotland, vice Lord Henderland, dec.

Dr. Ainslie, of Lincoln's-inn fields, the affistant physician to St. Thomas's Hospital, vice Dr. Blane, resigned.

Arthur Murphy, efq. is reinstated a commissioner of bankrupts by the Lord Chancellor.

William M'Dowall, efq. of Garthland, member of Parliament for Glafgow, to be lord rector of that university for the ensuing year.

MARRIAGES.

A T Orwell park, Ipfwich, the feat of the Earl of Beverley, Lord St. Afaph, eldeft fon of the Earl of Afaburnham, to Lady Charlotte Percy, eldeft daughter of the Earl of Beverley.

Rev. George Cook, rector of Spodborough, Yorkshire, to Miss Anne Burward, youngest daughter of the late Jonathan Burward, esq.

of Woodbridge, Suffolk.

At Lord Southampton's, in Stanhope-Areet, by special licence, Lord Viscount Dungannon, to the Hon. Miss Charlotte Fitzroy, eldest daughter of Lord Southampton.

At Lambeth palace, by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Right Hon. Dudley Ryder, eldest son of Lord Harrowby, to Lady Susan Leveson Gower, daughter of the Marquis of Stafford.

By special Leence, at Mrs. Scott's, in Piccadilly, the Marquis of Titchfield to Miss Scott, heires of the late General Scott, whose fortune has never been estimated at lefs than half a million. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Goodenough; immediately after which the couple set off for Bulstrode, which has been given to the Marquis by his father, the Duke of Portland.

Sir William Langham, bart. of Cottefbrook, Northamptonshire, to Miss Vane, only daughter of the Hon. Charles Vane, of

Mount Ida, county of Norfolk.

At St. Margaret's, Westminster, Captain William Rutherford, of the royal newy, to Miss Richardson, of Queen-street, clidest daughter of the late Sir George Richardson, bart.

In Ireland, the Hon. Robert Leefon, younger fon of the late Earl of Miltown, to Mifs Grace Head, of Derry, county of Tipperary.

Sir John Riggs Miller, bart. to Lady

Davenport.

Honoratus Leigh Thomas, efq. of Pall-Mall, to Miss Cruikshank, eldest daughter of William Cruikshank, efq of Leicester square. By special licence, at Sandwell, Stafford-shire, Charles Duncombe, Esq. eldest son of Charles Slingsby Duncombe, esq. of Duncombe-park, Yorkshire, and M. P. for the borough of Shaftesbury, to Lady Charlotte Legge, only daughter of the Earl of Dartmouth.

At Thenford, the feat of Mr. Wodhull, Northamptonshire, Edward Wigley, efq. M. P. for the city of Worcester, and recorder of Leicester, to Miss Anna Maria Meyley, only daughter and heiress of the late Charles Watkins Meysey, esq. of Shakenhurst in Boyton, Worcestershire, where the family have been settled from the time of Edward I.

By special licence, at Ham house, Surrey, by the Bishop of Diomore, the Rev. Herbert Crost, of Orchard street, to Miss Lewis, fister of Henry Greswold Lewis, esq. of Malvern, Warwickshire, and to the lady of Wilbraham Tollemache, brother to the Earl of Dysart.

At Garfouce, near Glasgow, Francis Sitwell, esq. of Barmoor castle, Northumberland, to Miss Anne Campbell, third daughter of the Right Hon Ilay Campbell, lord president of the Court of Session for Scotland.

Mark Pringle, efq, of Clifton, M. P. for Selkirkshire, to Miss Anne Elizabeth Chalniers, daughter of Robert Chalmers, efq.

Dr. Wm. Heberden, of Dover street, to Miss Miller, daughter of the late Charles Miller, eq. and niece to Sir Thomas Miller, bart.

At Sutton Coldfield, Mr. Benjamin Wyatt, architect, to Mrs. E. Clay, many years housekeeper to the late Joseph Duncombe, efq. of Sutton.

At Brunt-island, in Scotland, Philip Darell, efq. of Cale hill, Kent, to Miss Poole, of Teddington, Middlefex.

George Watlington, efq. barrifter at law, to Mifs Charlotte Nevinfon, youngest daughter of Charles Nevinfon, efq. of Duke-street, St. James's.

By special licence, at the house of Mrs.

Price,

Price, in Sackville-ffreet, Dublin, William Evans Morres, efq. fon of Clayton Bayly, efq. of Gowran, Kilkenny, and grandfon to the late Sir William Morres, bart. to Miss Savage, daughter of Charles Savage, efq. of Ardkeen, county of Down, and fifter to Francis Savage, efq. knight of the shire for tha faid county, and niece to Crom. Price, eiq. of Hollymount, M. P. for the borough of Monaghan.

At Sefton, Lancashire, Thomas Stonor, efq. of Stonor, Oxfordshire, to Miss Catharine Blundell, daughter of Henry Blundell, efq.

of Ince Blundell, Lancashire.

George Bond, efq. of his Majesty's marine forces, to Miss Mary Payne, only daughter of William Payne, efq. of Deptford, Kent.

At Midgham, Berks, John Richard Lord Viscount Dungarvon, eldest son of Edmund Earl of Cork and Orrery, to the Hon. Isabella Henrietta Poyntz, one of the maids of honour to her Majesty, and third daughter of William Poyntz, efq. of Midgham-house.

At Bath, by special licence, Francis Gregor, efq. M. P. for the county of Cornwall, to Miss Jane Urquhart, niece of General

At Landilo, Carmarthenshire, the Rev. Dorning Rafbotham, Fellow of Brazen nofecollege, Oxford, and of the collegiate church at Manchester, to Miss Barton, third daughter of the late George Barton, efq.

By special licence, Major-general Ross, to Mifs Gunning, daughter of Sir Robert Gun-

ning.

At Houghton-le-spring, Durham, Lord Mulgrave, to Miss Sophia Maling, daughter of C. T. Maling, efq. of West Henington, Durham.

At St. George's church, Hanover-square, by the Bishop of Dromore, Samuel Isted, esq. of Ecton, in Northamptonshire, to Miss Barbara Percy, his Lordship's eldest daughter.

Capt. Samuel Maitland, of the East-India Company's fervice, to Miss Isabella Anderson, of Blackheath, Kent.

Robert Dalrymple, efq. fon of Admiral Dalrymple, to Miss Howard, of Knights-

bridge.

Sir Francis Henry Drake, bart. to Miss Ann Francis Mateby, daughter of Thomas Mateby, efq. of Great St Marybone-street.

Robert Burnett, efq of Vauxhall, eldest fon of Sir Robert Burnett, of Morden hall, Surrey, to M.fs Ann Isherwood, of Aldersgate-ftreet. .

Mark Sykes, efq. high sheriff for Yorkshire, and eldest fon of Sir C. Sykes, bart, of Sødmere, to Mifs Masternian, only da. of the late Henry Masterman, esq. of Settrington.

At the Quakers Meeting-house, Norwich, Samfon Hanbury, efq of London, brewer, to Miss Agatha Gurney, daughter of Richard

Gurney, efq. banker, of Norwich.

At Buxar in Bengal, Capt. Henry Hyndman, to Miss Sarah Blair, second daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Blair, prebendary of Westminster.

At Rainham, in Norfelk, Harrington Hudfon, efq. of Beffingby, Yorkshire, to Lady Ann Towshend, one of the daughters of the Marquis Townshend.

John Gibbons, efq. eldest son of Sir William Gibbons, bart. of Stanwell-place, to Miss Taylor, eldest daughter of the late Richard Taylor, efq. of Charlton-house.

William Wilfon, efq. of Upper Tooting Surrey, to Miss Elliot, daughter of the late Captain Elliot, of Wombwell-hall, near

Gravefend, Kent.

At Winchester, the Rev. Dr. Cole, prebendary of Westminster, and chaplain to the Duke of Marlborough, to Miss Mary Blackstone, daughter of the late Sir William Blackftone.

Fred. Ritfo, efq. of Lincoln's inn, to Mrs. Errangton, of Devonshire-st. Queen's-square.

MONTHLY OBITUARY.

JULY 17.

T St. Helena, Thomas Chaloner, efq. A of Gifborough, Yorkshire, a lieutenant in the navy.

Aug. 25. At Jamaica, the hon. Charles

Hall, efq.

At Jamaica, Henry Cornwall SEPT.

Lee, esq. capt. in the 83d reg.

OCT. 9. At Dunbarton, Mr. William Dixon, partner and manager of the glassworks there.

10. At Kenfington, the Rev. Rice Harris, D. D. many years paftor of a diffenting congregation in Hanover square.

Mr. Thomas Were, of Finfbury fquare. At Thorp, near Norwich, Mary Thurston,

aged 101.

11. John Wace, efq. Upper Brook. ftreet, Grosvenor-square.

William Long, efq. fenior alderman of

Canterbury. At Langattock, Monmouthshire, Richard Lucas, eiq.

12. John

12. John Irwin, efq. Clarges-street,

Piccadilly.

At Chawley, in Berks, Richard Frown, the Old Shepherd, in the ricth year of his age. He was blind the last 10 years of his life.

Mr. James Blatch, late of Whitechurch,

At Chatham, in his 74th year, James Weatherall, efq. many years florekeep:r of the Dock-yard.

At Aberdeen, Mr. Alexander Cuthbertfon, merchant,

At Penryn, Cornwall, Charles Wych, efq. eaptain of the Worcestershire militia.

13. At Pentonville, Mr. Henry Hurle, furveyor and builder, and many years a member of the Common Council of London.

Mr. Charles Sharp, perfumer, of Lud-

gate-hill.

14. The Rev. Dr. Henry Owen. (See p. 291).

At Brompton, Jeremiah Tinker, efq. late

of Weybridge, Surry.

The Rev. John Hall, aged 87, who had been 69 years Rector of Easthorp, Colchester. At York, in his 65th year, Mr. William Peckitt, panter on glass.

Mr James Sword, the younger, of Glaf-

gow.

15. At Edinburgh, John Oliphant, efq. of Bachilton.

The Rev G. Marth, M. A. rector of Ford, near Berwick upon-Tweed.

16. At Bedhampton, near Havant, Mr. John Lone, mealmen.

At Milbank, near Edinburgh, Mr. John

Balfour, bookfeller.

J. B. Norton, collector of the cuftoms at Shoreham. He was murdered returning from Southwick.

At Kelfo, James Watfon, M. D.

The Rev. Edward Sneyd, Vicar of Wolflanton, Staffordshire, in his 64th year.

Rupert Leigh, Elq. of Cheadle, Stafford-

At Silverknows, pear Cramond, in Scotland, Sir John Gordon, bart, of Earliton.

18. At Stafford, in his 84th year, the Rev. Joseph Dickenson, M. A. rector of Stafford and Fenny Compton, county of Warwick, and curate of St. Chad's and Calife Church.

Thomas Stribling, efq. of Exeter, Colonel of the Royal Exeter reg. of foot.

At Sycritone, Nottinghamshire, Mr. Wil-Eam Fillingham, an emment land surveyor, and agent to the Dake of Rutland.

19. Mr. Samuel Wildman; . Prince's-

fircet, Bedford-row.

On the dreary hills betwirt Festinion and Yapytty in Denbigninge, on his return on toet

from the former place, where he had been upon bufiness, Mr. Richard Powell, Mafter of Yfoytty school. His body was found on the following Wednesday afternoon a confiderable distance from the road; and it is fapposed that night coming on, he being near fighted, unfortunately miffed his way, and through fatigue had lain down, when death overtook him, and put a period to his existence. His death will be severely felt by his aged mother, whom he had for many years years past maintained out of the small pittance acquired by honest industry. We may fay of him, without the least tin cture of flittery, that he was one of the greatest geniuses Wales has produced in the pref nt century. As a Weish Grammarian he was equal to most; and as a poetical writer his "Four Seafons" (for which he gained the Gwyneddigion's Annual Medal in 1793, although contested for by eleven able candidates) will be a lasting monument of his paetic skill. He was young in years, but old in the literary world; naturally of a ferious turn, fober, inoffensive, and a firm friend to religion; latterly he has often been heard to fay, that he never would write a fingle line that might tend to offend his merc.ful God; a resolution highly worthy of imitation by all.

Had reffles Time, for once, but paus'd awhile,

And view'd the fav'rite fon of Cambria's Muse,

In pity, when he found in him no guile, Our plaintive bard he'd from grim Death excufe:

But he mov'd on, quite heedlefely, alas!

And laid him with'ring like the common grafs!

One comfort's left, whilft friends his death deplore,

His works will live, till Time and Death's no

Bristol, Nov. 2, 1795. RHAIADR.

20. Mr. Samuel Parfons Gower, late of Winchester.

21. William Southwell, esq. father of Sir Cecil Bisshop's lady.

Mr. Thomas Bentley, of Effex Areet, in the Strand, in his 71st year.

At Sunning, Berks, aged 92, Mrs. Waller, fifter of Dr. Terrick, late Bithop of London.

Lately, at Plymouth, Capt. Dawton, of his Mijefty's ship Trompeule, and nephew to Viscount Cremorne.

Lately, at Dublin, Charles Dillon, efq.

22. At Stirling, John Willet, eq. late of Calcutta, Bengal.

23. At Glafgow, Mr. Thomas Potta merchant.

24. In his 62d year, Mr. Thomas Brook, of York, one of the proctors general of the ecclefiastical court.

Mrs. Caslon, widow of the late Mr. Wm. Casion, letter founder, in Chiswell street.

At Colkirk, in Norfolk, Mr. Henry Savory,

a respectable farmer at Syderstone.

25 At Market Harborough, the Rev. Charles Allen, M. A. rector of Sutton St. Ann's, in Nottinghamshire, and vicar of Tugby, in Leicestershire.

26. Mr. Anthony Frederick Pollon, of

the General Post-Office.

John Mount, esq.

At Billinghurft, Suffex, Thomas Bettef-

worth, efq. of Tower-hill.

Lately, at his feat in the county of Leitrim, Ireland, Theophilus Clements efq. repreientative in Parliament for that county.

The Rev. Mr. Bentley, vicar of St. Giles's,

Camberwell.

28. Mr. Gilbert Mair, writer, in Edin-

Thomas Griffiths Lloyd, efq. at Trowfcoed, Montgomerythire.

At Edmonton, in his 88th year, Mr. David Langton, many years an upholder in Queen-street, Cheapside.

Lately, at Hull, Edmund Bramston, esq.

banker.

30. Mrs. Hughs, King's road, Bedfordrow.

31. At Sybill Heddingham, Capt. Mar. riot, aged 82.

Anthony Percy, efq. of Grays, in Effex, brother to the Bishop of Dromore.

At Kinfanns, in Scotland, the Rev. George Chapman, minister of that parish.

At Ayr, Mr. James Hutchinfon, merchant, aged 84, formerly provoft of that borough.

Nov. 1. At Stenhouse, Sir Michael Bruce,

bart. in his 87th year. At Thornton le Bean, Yorkshire, in his 44th year, the Rev. Edward Heber, M. A. vicar of Kirkby Warp and Friday Thorp.

Lately, at Quendon, in Effex, the Rev. Mr. Howard, vicar of Rickling, in that county, formerly of Queen's College, Cambridge.

2. Mr. Joseph White, Newgate Street.

3 At Bath, Dr. Sir John Hotham, bart. Bishop of Clogher.

The Rev. Henry Waring, rector of St. Luke, Old-freet, and prebendary of St. Paul's.

4. Mr. T. Torriano, jun. of Michael s-

place, Brompton.

At Hunmanby, Yorkshire, tha Rev. Mr. Hudson, vicar of that place, and of Foulkston in the East Riding.

Lately, at Kidderminster, Mr. Symonds. furgeon and apothecary.

Lately, the Rev. Mr. Paxton, of Yeld-

ham, Effex.

6. At Wisbeach, in his 76th year, the Rev. Richard Ofwin, rector of Tydd St. Giles's, in the Isle of Ely, Cambridgeshire.

Mr. Francis Sharpe, an eminent mufician,

at Stamford.

Lately, at Baythorn Park, Effex, aged 74. the Rev. William Paxton, rector of Taplow, Buckinghamshire.

7. Mr John Miller, of Wellhouse, in his

80th year.

Mr. John Stuart Taylor, furgeon, at Norwich, in his 25th year. He died just a month after his marriage.

Lately, the Rev. Mr. West, curate of

Rippenden, near Halifax.

8. Mr. Hughes, of Guinfe, Carmarthenfaire.

9. At Frognal, the feat of Lord Sydney, the Hon. Mrs. Townshend, wife of the Hor. John Thomas Townshend, and filter to Lord De Clifford.

10. At Waltham house, Effex, Dr. Waller, archdeacon of Effex, and vicar of Kenfington, in confequence of the fall of a chimney upon his bed, in the hurricane of the preceding Friday, by which he was to bruifed as to occasion his death.

12. At Monmouth, Jacob Rudhall, efg. a captain in the Monmouthshire militia, and

receiver general of that county.

Henry Price, elq. of Knighton, in Radnorthire, in his 74th year.

14. At Hammersmith, Mr. Montague

Grover, in his 7, th year

17. The Rev. Samuel Pifhop, aged 63, head mafter of Merchant Taylors School, and rector of St. Mary Outwich, and of Ditton, in Kent.

Lately, at Jenningsbury, Hertfordshire, Thomas Bowiby, efq. commiffary general of

musters.

Lately, at Bath, James Wilmot, efq. brother to Sir Robert W.llmet, bart. of Ofmafton, Derbyshire.

18. Thomas Linley, efq. one of the patentees of Drury-lane Theatre, an eminent mufician, and father of the late Mrs. Sheridan.

19. At Portsmouth, in his 71st year, Thomas Dunkerley, efq. provincial grand-

mafter of majorry.

Lately, Samuel Estwick, esq. Member of Parliament for Westbury, register of Chelsea Hospital, and agent for the Island of Parbadoes.

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