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SIR JOSEPH BANKS, BART. K. B.

[WITH A PORTRAIT.]

If to support the dignity of the first literary society in the world, and by firmness and candour to conciliate the regard of its members; if rejecting the allurements of dissipation to explore scenes unknown and to cultivate the most manly qualities of the human heart; if to dispense a princely fortune in the enlargement of science, the encouragement of genius, and the alleviation of distress; be circumstances which entitle any one to a more than ordinary share of respect, sew will dispute the claim of the person whose portrait ornaments the present Magazine.

SIR JOSEPH BANKS, we have been informed, is descended from a family of great respectability in Sweden, and his paternal grandfather was the first of it who fettled in England

who fettled in England.

He was born about the year 1740, and received his education at Eton, from whence he removed to Oxford, where he purfued his fludies with fuccefs, and foon shewed that Natural History was the branch of science to which he had the greatest attachment, and accordingly cultivated it with the greatest ardour.

At the time of his quitting the university, in the year 1763, he went on a voyage across the Atlantic to the coasts of Newsoundland and Labradore. In this voyage he made his first estay in the service of science, and collected many objects of natural history, which

kill adorn his mantion.

But a more arduous undertaking was foon to be entered on. The discoveries in the South Seas had been begun very auspiciously, and further efforts were determined to be made. Another voyage was refolved on, under the command of Captain Cook, for the benefit of aftronomy and all the arts dependant on it, to observe, in the latitude of Otaheite, an expected transit of the planet Venus over the Sun. In this voyage Sir Joseph Banks resolved to fail with Cook. His liberal spirit and generous curiofity were regarded with admiration; and every convenience from the Government was readily supplied to render the circumstances of the voyage as little unpleafant to him as possible.

Far, however, from foliciting any accommodation that might occasion expence to Government, he was ready to contribute largely out of his own private fortune towards the general purposes of the expedition. He engaged, as his director in natural history during the voyage, and as the companion of his researches, Dr. Solander, of the British Museum, a Swede by birth, and one of the most eminent pupils of Linnzus, whose scientific merits had been his chief recommendation to patronage in England. He took with him also two draughtsmen, one to delineate views and figures, the other to paint subjects of natural history. A secretary and four servants formed the rest of his suite. He took care to provide, likewife, the necessary instruments for his intended observations, with conveniencies for preferving fuch specimens as he might collect of natural or artificial objects, and with stores to be distributed in the remote ifles isles he was going to visit, for the improvement of the condition of savage

life

On the 26th of August 1768, the Endeavour failed from Plymouth on this great expedition. Lieutenant Cook was commander: but Sir Joseph Banks went in circumftances which made it improbable that he should be fubjected to any disagreeable controul. No unfortunate accidents occurred in the early course of the voyage. Even in the passage to Madeira, Sir Joseph and his companion discovered many marine animals which no naturalist had as yet described. At Madeira, and as they failed on to Rio Janeiro, their vigilance was still eagerly awake, and was fusiciently gratified by observations and specimens new to science. The jealousy of the Portuguese greatly disappointed their curiofity, by forbidding those researches at Rio Janeiro, of the fruits of which they had conceived very high hopes. On the coast of Terra del Fuego, in an excursion to view the natural productions of the country, Sir Joseph Banks and Dr. Solander had nearly perished by a storm of snow. With extreme difficulty, with the loss of three of the persons who had accompanied them, and after passing a night on land amidst the storm, in worse than the agonies of death, they at last made their way back to the beach, and were received on board the ship.

On Wednesday, April 12th, 1769, the Endeavour arrived at Otaheite. For three months, the voyagers continued at this and the smaller contiguous isles; refreshing themselves after their late hardships; making those astronomical observations, for the sake chiefly of which Lieutenant Cook was fent out; cultivating the friendthip of the natives; laying in stores of fresh provifions; furveying, as navigators, the coasts of the different isles; collecting specimens of the natural productions peculiar to them; studying the language, manners, and arts of the iflanders; and refitting the thip for the farther profecution of the voyage.

At Otaneite, Sir Joseph Banks, by the prudence, benignity, vigilance, and spirited activity, which he eminently exercised in the intercourse with its inhabitants, contributed in the most effential manner to prevent difsensions and disorder, and to promote that mutual harmony between these good people and the English, which was indispensably requisite to prevent the chief purposes of the voyage from being frustrated. His conduct was that, not merely of a raw, adventurous young man, or of a naturalist unfit for aught but collecting specimens,—but of a man who knew himself and human nature, and possesses in a high degree, the talent of benesicially guiding the designs and controuling the passions of hotors. The specimens of natural history which he and his companions collected at these lifes were very numerous and interesting.

On the 15th of August 1769, the Endeavour failed from Oteroah, the last isle of this groupe which they visited. On the 6th of October they descried New Zealand, which had not been seen by any former navigator but Tasman. An Otaheitean Priest, of the name of Tupia, who had voluntarily accompanied them from that isle, acted as interpreter between them and the inhabitants on this new coast, who fooke his native language. The whole coalts of the two illes forming that which is called New Zealand, were circumnavigated and diligently furveyed: the streight between them was carefully explored: much pains was employed in attempting a friendly intercourse with the inhabitants. The acquifitions in natural and artificial curiofities which Sir Joseph Banks here made, were also numerous. Although the plants and animals were less various than, for such an extent of country, might have been expected; yet the specimens were comparatively many, which were worthy of being admitted in the collection of the natu-

From New Zealand they pursued their voyage to New Holland. They failed northward along its coast to Botany Bay, which owes its name to the rich treasures of botanical objects that it was found to afford. New species in zoology were likewise observed on the same shores. Distant excurfions into the interior country disposed them to regard it as a scene that might prove exceedingly favourable for colonial fettlement. The voyage was continued along the eastern coast of that great territory; and to the track adjacent was given the name of New South Wales. As they advanced, the ship struck upon a rock; an opening was made in her bottom; they were in

extreme

extreme danger of perishing at sea, and escaped but as by miracle. In every fituation, Sir Joseph Banks was still distinguished by uncommon firmness and presence of mind. At the mouth of a river which they named after their ship, Endeavour, they repaired, in the best manner they could, the damage which the veffel had fuffered. In the reparation, (fuch were the continual difficulties of this scientific enterprise!) the position of the ship occasioned a sudden admittance of water, by which a part of Sir Joseph Banks's collection of specimens was entirely spoiled, -and even the rest were not faved without the greatest anxiety and trouble. As the company continued to advance northward along the coast, many thells and marine productions of unknown species were gathered, in occasional visits to the thore. The discovery of the Kangoroo enabled them to offer an interesting addition to the natural history of quadrupeds. No opportunity was neglected of making new astronomical observations. On the 23d of August 1770, they left this coaft, and steered for New Guinea.

The rest of their voyage was through known feas, and among ifles which other European navigators had before visited and described. The noxious climate of Batavia afflicted a number of them, during their necessary stay. there, with severe disease. Tupia, the Priest from Otaheite, died of an ague; and his boy, Tayeto, of an inflammation of the lungs. Sir Joseph Banks himself and Dr. Solander were for fome time exceedingly ill. Every person belonging to the ship was sick during their stay at this place, except the fail-maker, an old man, between feventy and eighty years of age, who got drunk every day. Seven died at Batavia; three-and-twenty more in the course of the next fix weeks after the departure of the thip from that harbour. On Wednesday the 12th of June, 1771, the furvivors brought the vessel to anchor in the Downs, and

came ashore at Deal.

Sir Joseph Banks was received in England with eager admiration and kindness. The designs with which he had gone on the voyage; the prudence, fortitude, and vigilant activity, he had exercised in the course of it; the perils through which he had passed; the invaluable information

recorded in his journals; and the specimens, before unknown, which he brought, at fo much risk and expence, to enrich the science of natural history; deemed to let him greatly above almost every other young man of rank and fortune in the age, both for perfonal qualities, and as a benefactor to mankind. At court, among men of science and literature, at home and abroad, he was equally honoured. A new expedition of discovery was foon after tent out, in which he at first, wished to embark, though he was afterwards induced to decline it. But his directions and affiftance were not withheld, so far as these could promote the fuccels and usefulness of the voy-

Iceland was faid to contain many natural curiofities, highly worthy of the inspection of one whose love of nature had led him to circumnavigate the globe. Sir Joseph Banks, therefore, hired a vessel, and went, in company with his friend Dr. Solander, to visit that isle. The Hebudæ, those celebrated iffets scattered along the north-west coast of Scotland, were contiguous to the track of the voyage: and these adventurous naturalists were induced to examine them. Among other things worthy of notice, they discovered the columnar stratification of the rocks furrounding the caves of Staffa; a phenomenon till then unobserved by naturalists, but which was no fooner made known, in a defcription by Sir Joseph Banks, than it became famous among men of science The volcanic throughout Europe. mountain, the hot fprings, the filiceous rocks, the arctic plants and animals of Iceland, with all its other native productions, were carefully furveyed in this voyage, A rich harvest of new knowledge and new specimens compensated for its toils and expence. Dr. Von Troil, a Danish clergyman of great merit, was a companion in this philosophical adventure, and was thus, by the beneficence of Sir Joseph Banks, enabled to make communications to the Danish Government, of which they afterwards availed themselves for the improvement of the condition of the

In the year 1777, Sir John Pringle refigned the Prefidentship of the Royal Society, which was immediately conferred on Mr. Banks, who, on the 24th of March 1781, was created a Baronet.

Of the feuds which afterwards arose in that respectable assembly we shall be silent, except that those who wish for information on this forgotten subject may find it in our Magazine, Vol. V. p. 265. and Vol. VII. p. 31. Since that period a better temper has prevailed, and the business of the Society has not been interrupted by jarring animosity and vulgar discord.

Sir Joseph Banks a few years since had the dignity of Knight of the Bath conferred on him, and he has been sworn of his Majesty's Privy Council. He is tall, largely made, with a manly countenance, expressive of dignity and intelligence. He has for some years occasionally been afflicted with the gout. His manners are posite and attentive, his conversation instructive, frank in communicating information, unaffected, and not without vivacity. He possesses more information than those will believe who consider him as a mere naturalist. In short, he is entitled to every praise that science, liberality, and benevolence, can below on their most distinguished favourites.

#### LYCOPHRON's CASSANDRA.

L. 919-920.

Κράθις δε τύμβους όψεται δεδουπότος, Ευράξ 'Αλαίου Παταρέως ανακτόρως.

This portion of Cassandra's narrative respects Philocetes. The various occurrences of his life are here comprised within a narrow compass. For the tablet, though small, has many compartments; each of which is embellished with a picture that sils it.

Interpreters have not bestowed a fingle note on these lines; which seem to have a better claim to their attention than many others. For the words τύμδους δεδουποτος are applicable either to the tomb of Philocietes or of Hercules. To which of these heroes they ought to be applied, the following illustration is intended to shew. The funeral-pile of Hercules was kindled near mount Œta by Philoctetes; who entered with reluctance on a work, which others had refused to undertake. But the importunity of his dying friend prevailed. Hercules had promifed to reward him for this last act of friendthip with his bow and his arrows; or, in the figurative language of Lycophron, with his Scythian diagon and its deadly teeth. But, fays Cassandra, Crathis shall see the tomb of bim fallen. That the tomb, here mentioned, was not erected to the memory of Philochetes, is evident from this circumstance; viz. that the poet has intentionally referved the mention of this heroe's tomb for the

close of the narrative. There, in its due place and order, is the flory of his interment told. Thus it appears, that the words Tumbous dedoumotos are not applicable to the tomb of Philocteres, but of Hercules, the fallen heroe. The fite of this honorary tomb is deferibed. It was placed by Philoctetes himself on the banks of the Crathis, and fronted the temple of Apollo. By him also was this temple built for the reception of the bow and arrows of Hercules. They were here confecrated to the bowyer-god. By fuch acts of pious munificence was the attachment of Philochetes to his illustrious friend distinguished.

-Ξένην ἐποικήσαντας όθνείαν κόνιν. L. 926.

A strong north wind, says Cassandra, shall drive far distant from their home those Rhodians, who are about to settle in a foreign land. Perhaps instend of imorphowaras we ought to read in the future inormoura, rightly rendered by Canter habitaturor. Zern and Poriar, being synonymous words cannot both be applied as epithets to xour. Probably the poet wrote time, i. e. yis. Thus he has written in another place; in the ferry terms of the place; the terms of the place in the series of the place.

Σορh. Philoch.

M. GARNERIN'S ACCOUNT OF HIS ASCENT FROM ST. GEORGE'S PARADE, NORTH AUDLEY-STREET, and DESCENT WITH A PARACHUTE, SEPT. 21, 1802.

The experiment of my thirty-first ascent, and of my fifth descent in a parachute, took place on Tuesday last, on a very fine day, and in the prefence of an immense crowd of spectators, who filled the streets, windows, and houses, and the scaffoldings erected round the place of my departure, which, alas! was the only spot not crowded

with spectators!

It is necessary, when I undertake the experiment of the parachute, that I should know the state of the atmosphere, in order to enable me to judge of the course I am to take; and also to adopt the precautions proper to ensure success. About three in the afternoon, I had the satisfaction of having a first indication from the agreeable effect of a very pretty Montgolser balloon, which was sent off from the environs of St. George's Parade, and which took a direction over Mary-la-bonne-sields.

The fuccess of this experiment ought not to prevent me from expressing my opinion of the dangers that may refult to the general farety from the daily abuse of those night experiments, which are not always directed by perfons conversant with the subject. One shudders when one thinks, that a machine of this kind may fall, and fall on fire, upon the cordage of a ship, and thus involve, in one great conflagration, all that constitutes the wealth of one of the first Cities in the world. The use of these machines was prohibited in France; and the Consular Government confided to me alone the direction of night balloons, which I conceived and introduced into the national fetes.

Convinced of the direction of the wind, I haltened the filling of the balloon, and at five P. M. I filled the pilot balloon which Mrs. Sheridan did me the honour to launch. It feened to me that I was conciliating the favour of Heaven by the interference of the Graces. This pilot balloon atcended quickly, and was foon out of fight, marking out my career towards the North-eat. Whilft the anxious crowd were following the path of my little pilot, I furbended the parachute to the balloon: this painful and difficult one-ration was executed with all possible

address, by the assistance of the most diffinguished personages. The parachute was gradually suspended, and the breeze, which was very gentle, did not produce the least obstacle.-At length I hastened to ballast my cylindrical bark, and to place myfelf in it; a fight which the public contemplated with deep interest-it feemed at that moment as if every heart beat in unison; for, though I have not the advantage of speaking English, every one understood my figns. I ascertained the height of the barometer, which was at 291 inches. I now preffed the moment of my departure, and the period of fulfilling my engagements with the British public. All the cords were cut; rose amidst the most expressive filence, and, launching into infinite space, discovered from on high the countless multitude that sent up their fighs and prayers for my fafety. My parachute, in the form of a dome over my head, had a majestic effect. quickened my ascending impulse, and rose through light and thin vapours, where the cold informed me that I was entering into the upper region. I followed attentively the route I was taking, and perceived that I had reached the extremity of the City, and that immense fields and meadows offered themfelves for my descent \*. I examined my barometer, which I found fallen to 23 inches-the sky was clear, the moment favourable, and I threw down my flag to endeavour to shew to the people affembled that I was on the point of cutting the cord that fufpended me between Heaven and Earth. I made every necessary disposition, prepared my ballait, and measured with my eye the vast space that separated me from the rest, of the human race. felt my courage confirmed by the certainty that my combinations were just. I then took out my knife, and with a band firm, from a conscience word of reproach, and which had never been listed against any one but in the field of virtory, I cut the cord. My balloon role, and I felt myfelf precipitated with velocity which was checked by the fudden unfolding of my para-chute. I faw that all my calculations were just, and my mind remained calm and lerene. I endeavoured to mo-

\* According to M. Garnerin's calculation, he had been to the height of 4,154 French feet, on Tuefday last.

dulate my gravitation, and the ofcillation which I experienced increased in proportion as I approached the breeze that blows in the middle regions; nearly ten minutes had elapsed, and I felt that the more time I took in descending, the fafer I hould reach the ground. At length I perceived thoutands of persons, some on horseback, others on foot, following me, all of whom encouraged me by their wishes, while they opened their arms to receive me. I came near the earth, and, after one bound, landed, and quitted the parachute, without any shock or accident. The first person that came to me pressed me in his arms; but without lofing any time, I employed myfeif in detaching the principal circle of the parachute, anxious to fave the instrument that had fo well guarantied me; but a crowd foon furrounded me - laid hold of me, and carried me in triumph, till an indisposition, the consequence and eifect of the oscillation I had experienced, obliged the proceffion to stop. I was then seized with a painful vomiting, which I usually experience for feveral hours after a deicent in a parachute. The interval of a moment, however, permitted me to get on horseback; a numerous cavalcade approached to keep off the crowd, whose enthusiasm and transports incommoded me not a little. The Duke of York was among the horsemen; and the procession proceeded with great difficulty in the midst of the crowd, who shouted forth their applause, and had before them the tri-coloured flag which I had thrown down, and which was carried by a Member of Parliament. Among the prodigious concourse of persons on foot, I remarked Lord Stanhope, from whom I had received the counsels of a scientific man, and who penetrated through the crowd to thake hands with me. At length, after feveral incidents, all produced by the universal interest with which I was honoured, I withdrew from the crowd without any other accident than that of having had my right foot jammed between the horse I rode and a horseman who pressed too close to me. My parachute was preferved as well as could be expected, a few of the cords only were cut.-It is now exhibiting at the Pantheon, where a great concourse of persons have been to examine it.

"I have just learned that my balloon descended on the 22d (Wednesday), at Mr. Abraham Hareing's, near Frencham Mill, three miles beyond Farnham, in Surry; where it is in

lafety.

"Among the congratulations I have had the honour of receiving from the most distinguished persons, I have not had any more slattering than those I have received from Sir Sidney Smith; who came to me, with General Douglas, "on purpose," as he said to me, "to shake hands with a brave man."—This compliment is of the greatest value from the mouth of one of the bravest soldiers in Europe.

"I now enjoy the pleasure of having fulfilled my engagements with the public; to whom I owe every acknowledgement and thanks for the encouragement I have received from thein, and for the confidence which they placed in my promife at a time when I was obliged to defer the experiment of the parachute. It is with this grateful fense of their patronage that I am going to make a new ascent at Briftol.

" Yet, feeling, as I do, these sentiments of gratitude, will it be too much to aik the public to revenge with their contempt the infult to my honour and my moral character that I have received from a public paper, which, upon advices from a correspondent whose veracity they ought to have fuspected, has asked, whether I did not play an infamous part in the French revo-lution \$? There are in France but two, my brother and myself, of the name of Garnerin, and we have played no other part than that which honour may avow in all countries, and at all times. It was upon the frontiers, and in the bosom of her armies, that we endeavoured to be useful to our country. I might refer, in England, to incontestable evidence relative to my conduct. I am fure His Royal Highness the Duke of York would be disposed to do me the justice I deserve, if he recollect the action of Marchiennes, in the night of the 31st of October 1793; in which I had the honour of disputing, with a handful of men, that post, after it had been surprised by a strong detachment of his army, The action was extremely bloody, and terminated in a furrender, which made me His Royal Highness's prisoner, and occasioned me thirty one months' imprisonment in the prisons of Austria."

Thursday Sept. 23.

[For M. Garnerin's Account of his Ascent from Bath, see page 180.]

# VESTIGES,

#### COLLECTED AND RECOLLECTED,

BY JOSEPH MOSER, ESQ.

NUMBER III.

RUINS OF THE PRIORY OF THE HOLY TRINITY, DUKE'S PLACE.

(WITH A PLATE.)

THE print which forms part of the embellithments of this Magazine exhibits a picturesque view of one of the last vestiges of the Priory of the Holy Trinity \*, once the greatest ornament, as well as the most important religious establishment, in the ward of Aldgate. To be very particular with respect to a place upon which so much has been written and faid, and the neighbourhood of which the reader will find alluded to in a subsequent article of the work, would, perhaps, be deemed superfluous: yet it is neceffary, in purfuit of our comparison betwixt ancient and modern times, to remark, that this Priory was founded on the fpot upon which Trinity Christ Church, now called St. Limes, Duke's Place, is erected, by Matilda, daughter of Malcolm, King of Scotland, and wife to Henry the First, in the same place where Siredus had begun to erect a church in honour of the Cross and St. Mary Magdalen, of which the Dean and Chapter of Waltham were wont to have thirty shillings. The Queen was to acquit her church of this incumbrance, and, in remuneration, gave them a mill. This donation was confirmed by the King, and the Priory bestowed upon Norman, the first Canon Regular of England.

This Priory, which was built upon a

piece of ground three hundred feet in length, in process of time became a very large church, rich in lands and ornaments, the Prior whereof was an Alderman of London, viz. of Portfoken Ward, who fat in Court, and rode with the Mayor and his brethren, in fearlet and other liveries, until the year 1531, the 23d of Henry the VIIIth, when it was furrendered to that Monarch +, who gave it to Sir Thomas Audley, Speaker of the Parliament against Cardinal Wolsey, and afterwards Lord Chancellor of England, who demolished the church, and built a large mansion upon its foundation, wherein he died. This house and its appurtenances descended, by his marriage with Lord Audley's daughter and heir, to Thomas Duke of Norfolk 1, and was then called Duke's Place; which name a great part of its fite and garden still retains.

It appears that the spot from which the view was taken was formerly, and is still, called Mitre Court, probably from the mitre which the Bishop of London caused to be affixed to the walls of the Priory, to shew his superior jurisdiction; but in consequence of a fire that happened at its entrance into Aldgate, in the night of the 31st of October 1800, it has been considerably improved. A stone tablet has been placed against the side wall of the corner house on the right, part of which appears in the print, with this

inscription :

\* Henry Fitz-Alwin, Draper, first Mayor of London, who continued in his office from the first of Richard the First until the fitteenth of John, more than twenty-four years, and who died 1212, was buried in the priory church of the Holy Trinity, Aldgate.

† When Henry sent for the Prior upon this occasion, he commended him greatly for his learning and hospitality, and said, that he was worthy of much higher dignity, to which he promised to prefer him. The priory was accordingly surrendered. Sir Thomas Audley, who seems to have profited by the spoils of the Church, had also a grant of the Charter-house.

This Nobleman was the son of John Duke of Norfolk, who was killed at the battle of Bosworth Field, valiantly fighting for King Richard the Third. The demy lion shot through the mouth with an arrow, his crest, was till lately on a house in Duke's-place.

"Widened at the expence of The Corporation of London. Harvey Christian Combe, Mayor. 1800."

In digging the foundation of the new houses at the corner after the fire, parts of the old building were found, which were evidently a continuation of the vaults of which the view referred to is an accurate specimen, and which, from their mode of construction, feemed to have promised a much longer duration. The church of St. James, at the back of these ruins, rose upon the dilapidation of Trinity Priory and Norfolk House, in the mayoralty of Sir Edward Barkham, in the reign of James the First. There is a poetical inscription over the door on the north fide the chancel, which gives us no very favourable idea of the literature of this, as it has been termed, learned age. The last four lines may be fussicient to give the reader a taffe of the Ryle of the whole poem, which extends to forty.

"The Cities first Lord Mayor lies buried here.

Fitz Alwin of the Drapers Company. And the Lord Mayor whose fame thines now so clear,

Barkham, is of the fame fraternity."

At the bottom of this court, a passage runs betwixt the Jewish soup-house and the Mitre public-house into Duke's Place, which it is well known is the quarter wherein the lower order of Jews have been driven from other parts of the city, and which contains, besides the parish-church of St. James already noted, I think, two synagogues, and a number of houses not more noted for the cleanliness than the morality of their inhabitants.

#### ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM.

This priory, church, and house, feemed to flourish in consequence of the suppression of the order of the Knights Templars; for although they were founded in the year 1100, they owed their spleudour to the revenues of this religious and military society, with whose lands they were endowed. It would be deemed useless to repeat the history of a place which has been so frequently noticed in our civic an-

nals; neither is it very eafy, were it material, to trace the precise boundaries of the priory, which were certainly much more extensive than the space comprehended within the Close. One of the exterior gates of the monaftery is fill standing, and it is stated by Stow, that, with the priory and church (upon the fite of which the present small parochial edifice, dedicated to St. John, is probably built), it was preferved from the general spoil and dilapidation of religious houses so long as King Henry the VIIIth reigned, and also that a part of these buildings was used as a store-house for the King's toyls and tents, for hunting and for the wars; but that in the reign of Edward the VIth, the greater part of the church, that is, the body and fide aisles, with the large bell tower, "a most curious piece of workmanship, graven, gilt, and enamelled (to the great beautifying this city, furpassing all others), were undermined, and blown up with gunpowder, and the stone employed in building the Lord Protector's house in the Strand."

This short notice of an establishment of which even the most permanent materials have been long fince annihilated, would certainly not have been drawn forth as an object of public attention, had it not been deemed at least a curious speculation to consider the nature of the ornamental part of this beautiful edifice. It has been stated, that the decorations were graven, gilt, and enamelled. With respect to the first, I apprehend the term was aptly applied to the sculptured figures and carved ornaments; as, in the second article of the Decalogue, "Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image." Upon that term, or the second of gilding, there can be no difficulty, as they are fufficiently explanatory of the ideas they were meant to convey; but I do not imagine the description of enamelled ornaments to be quite fo clear, and shall, therefore, fay a word or two upon the subject, as they will refer to an art which, I conceive, in the mode of application meant by the author alluded to. is nearly loft,

Enamelling, by the ancients termed encaustic \*, is known to be an art of very remote antiquity; as early as

<sup>\*</sup> Encaustica Pictura. Plinv.

<sup>\*</sup> Pliny also observes, that thips were painted resolutis igni coris; from which an ingenious

the age of Porfenna \*, King of Tufcany, we hear of exquifitely-formed vafes, made of earthen, or potters ware, in his dominions, and enamelled with various figures: we have also heard, and perhaps seen, some, inferior, as it is faid, to the others, the production of manufactures at Faenza and Castle Durante, in the dutchy of Urbino, in the time of Raphael + and Michael Angelo, supposed to have been painted by these celebrated artists, and since well known by this name of "Ra-phael's ware." There are also some specimens of large enamelling upon dishes and plates extant, which were faid to be executed in France about the age of Francis the First; but I have heard of few of a later date. This mode of enamelling upon earthen ware and porcelain, has been lately, by Mr. Wedgewood and others, brought to a perfection unknown to any former age or country; that of painting portraits and historical subjects upon plates of gold and other metals, has been carried to a height of beauty and correctness that causes the works of Petitot, and other artists of the seventeenth century, to be no longer confidered as inimitable. But it will be recollected, that even the ware of Raphael, the vales of Wedgewood, and the specimens of the Dresden manufactory, were comparatively finall. The portraits of Zinck, Spencer, Meyer, and the beautiful historical compositions of Moser (many of which his Majesty now has in his collection) were miniatures. The enamel pictures that are faid to have adorned the bell tower of a church mult have been of a very large fize, and the confequent difficulty of forming the ground plates, and firings, as it is termed, i. e. melting the colours, when laid on the work, must have been immense. Revolving this subject in my mind, it occurred to me, that the enamelling here alluded to was, in a confiderable degree, different in its operation from that which has

been last mentioned, and, like the ware of Raphael, &c. ought more properly to be termed glazing; that the progress of its execution was, in the first instance, the formation of very large plates of potters, or, perhaps, what is now termed Stourbridge clay, which was less liable to crack in annealing; these might be formed of any shape, and adapted to any fituation; upon them there was then laid a ground of foft white glass fluxed with lead, they were fired, perhaps, in a common tile-kiln, and afterwards painted with colours prepared with the same kind of flux, and fome effential oil, which rendered them as free from the pencil as common oil colours. Afterwards they were again returned to the kiln, or reverberatory furnace, where the colours were melted; which probably finished the work.

I have many years fince feen specimens of this kind of coarse painting in enamel, which, I believe, from its durability, would have been more used by our ancestors in external decorations, had not the difficulty which attended its execution impeded the progress of the art. Of this composition, I have no doubt, were the enamelled pictures said to adorn the bell tower of the Priory of St. John of Jerusalem. Many of my readers will recollect, that fome very excellent veftiges of this art were exhibited upon, and were indeed a considerable ornament to, the gate that once stood cross a part of the highway betwixt the Treasury and the end of King-street, Westminster. This gate, which is by historians said to have been built in the reign of Henry the VIIIth, but which, I should conjecture, was still more ancient, was adorned with several of those pictures in enamel, representing portraits of Kings, &c. They were, I have been informed, admirably executed in foft colours to upon a ground of potters, or Stourbridge clay, baked in a kiln: indeed, the whole of this building (which had

ingenious philosopher, who wrote upon the subject of encaustic painting some years fince, inferred, that the faid ships were enamelled; a term which might with almost equal propriety have been applied to the paying our thips with pitch.

\* An V. C. 246.

† There was, at the time when Keysler wrote his travels, among an infinite number of beautiful specimens of the art of painting in enamel, in the palace at Dresden, an apartment filled entirely with vessels of porcelain, said to have been painted by Raphael.

I That is, mineral or metallic colours, mixed with a flux of ceruse, litharge, or

orpiment.

been used as a state paper office) was so admirable in its construction, that when it was to be taken down, I have heard that the then Duke of Cumberland purposed to have it removed, and again erected at Windsor: this, although I think the late T. Sanby, Eiq. has made drawings of it, was, I believe, never executed.

The taste of the age having within these last forty years run much in favour of painting in enamel and upon glass, which was an art that had nearly funk into oblivion, till revived by Jervais, Pearson, Eggington, and some other eminent artists, I have often wondered that some attempts have not been made to introduce the kind of painting which I have described upon a large scale, as the colours, fluxes, &c. are now so well known, and as, if brought to perfection, it would have the durability of that mode of copyevanescent tints of oil \* or crayon glass, or other vitrified substances, form a perfect whole.

The flight hint which I gathered from an ancient description of the Priory of St. John of Jerusalem, has, almost unawares. led me to descant on an art of which few fpecimens were originally made, and confequently few vestiges remain. If this brief notice should lead those whose habits of life, and superior intelligence, are better adapted to the purfuit, more accurately to investigate the subject, their refearches may, by extending the circle of human knowledge, be, I am inclined to think, both in a scientific and a commercial point of view, rendered beneficial to the country.

### . CROSBY-HOUSE.

Paffing through Bishopsgate-street, and feeing the name of Crosby-square painted upon a gateway, I was naturally attracted towards a place which, ing the works of celebrated mafters from the historical and poetical figure which is termed Mosaic, and would that it makes in our literature, may be fix, as may be faid, the fleeting and termed classic ground. Entering the gate, it was with concern I found, that of pictures, by a process that could not be the magnificent palace wherein Richard attended with a hundredth part of the the Third, when Duke of Gloucester, trouble or expence that must be conco- was formerly lodged, the only remainmitant to the accurately copying any ing vestige was part of the ancient subject by arranging small pins of hall; for I conceive the inner gate and stairs may, in comparison to the build-To as to blend and connect the high ing, be deemed modern. Of this fabric, lights with the deep shades, middle though only one side is to be seen, the tints, dome tints, reflexes, &c. and to finall frecinen fill francing is fuffiunite and harmonize all the variety cient to give to an eye used to this of colouring, preferving, at the same kind of observation a tolerable accutime, by this mechanical process, the rate idea of the architectural style of grace and correctness of contour, the the whole edifice, which was erected perspective, keeping, and every other at a period when it appears. by more appendage and attribute necessary to perfect buildings of nearly the same date, the purity + of the Gothic talte

\* A treatife, published by a Mr. Muntze, near forty years fince, on encaustic, in which it was proposed to render colours more durable, and fix crayons by the

means of quax, has long been forgotten.

+ My architectural friends will paidon me for applying this epithet to a fryle which has, in comparison with the Grecian, Roman, and more modern Italian schools, been much deprecated. It would be very easy to fly with the reader from this subject to the temple of Diana at Ephesus, of Theseus at Athens, ramble round the ancient and modern world in fearch of examples of beautiful ftructures. from the Tower of Babel to Somerset Place, and after a vast expense of time and ingenuity, return as wife as we fet out. The question, Which is preferable, the Grecian or Gothic styles of building? though often agitated, never has, nor never can be fettled. Each has its intrinsic merits, adapted to fituation, climate, use, and a hundred other local circumstances : each, too, has its particular system have feen architecture, faid to be of the Grecian schools, which could not with propriety be claimed by any school at all : we have likewise seen clumsy and eccentric Gothic: but whomf ever has contemplated those buildings in Westminster, and many other places, where the style is carried to its acme of pertestion, must allow there is a purity in the taste of them adapted to the purposes for which they are appropriated, equal, if not superior, to that of any other mode of building. of

of architecture was a little fullied by the adminion of heterogeneous mouldings, cornices and adventitious decorations \*, which in confequence of the revival, though unfertled date, of the arts in the fifteenth century, began to

be very p ofulely adopted.

The mansion under confideration was built at this period, namely, about the year 1446, by Sir John Crosby, who was one of the Sheriits, and an Alderman of London, in the year 1470, knighted by Edward the Fourth in 1471, and died in 1475, leaving five hundred marks for the repairing the parish-church of St. Helen, where he was buried.

The finall part which remains of this edifice may, as I have observed, be confidered as a fair specimen of the whole; and as from a limb, nay indeed (as it is faid) from the finger, of an ancient statue, a skilful sculptor could delineate the proportions of the whole figure, so from this vestige a conjecture may be formed that this fabric was once of large dimensions. I am not enthufiast enough to suppose, that from what remains the original plan could be difcovered, or the original building reflored, but only mean to observe, that fushcient traces are still apparent to warrant the conjecture, that its ancient fite extended to the convent of Little St. Helen's one way, and on the other fide included the whole of the ground on which Crosby-square (built in 1677) is erected.

Thefe, I believe, were the primary boundaries of the demesnes of Crosby House; but in the 34th of Heavy the Eighth, it appears, by a grant of this place to Andrew Bonvice, a rich Italian merchant, that they were much more extensive, and consisted of gardens, lanes, meffuages, void pieces of land, &c. Of all there, as I have stated, the only remaining vertiges are a part of the hall, now converted into a packer's warehouse, which extends to Great St. Helen's, in which part of the fide wall of the edifice, and a small door, probably leading to the lower offices, are still to be seen, and the site of the iquare, which was unquestionably a fmall part of the garden.

With respect to the side of the ancient hall, which is still apparent, the

spectator, at entering from Bilhomeates ftreet, is Aruck with the fingularity of the building, which confi is of part of what was, I believe, once an octagonal tower, at the northern extremity, and the fide wall, the windows in which feem to have been in a talte at least equal to many of the same period; a flight of steps on the left hand of the door leads to this apartment, but I exceedingly doubt whether this was the principal entrance to the palace, probably the grand front was toward the garden; that the part I am now conndering was only a wing which had a corresponding one with a similar entrance on the fouth fide, leading, it is not unlikely, to a chapel and octagonal tower, while a magnificent gate in the centre opened into a lower hall upon the ground floor, that had, through another of equal dimensions, communication with the garden, which, it appears from records, extended from the east fide of the palace to the fouth corner of the priory close, where it was bounded by a lane or passage running betwixt them to offices, &c. still more remote.

Of the priory dedicated to St. Helen, once the residence of a society of black nuns, the only parts which remain are two or three small pieces of broken and dilapidated arches adjoining the hall of the Leathersellers Company, and the church, in which there are sussicient attractions to arrest the attention of the antiquarian spectator. The house to which they belonged, or were adjuncts, is, with its appendages, totally destroyed, and even the materials en-

tirely removed.

In reviewing a foot once so famous as the fite of Crothy House, the mind naturally recurs to former ages, to former fystems of morals, religion, and government, and considers their operation upon persons and things; it naturally, or rather ideally, rebuilds. the palace, recalls its inhabitants from their tombs, and confiders the various fituations in which they have been placed, and the various scenes in which they have asted. The aid of the hittorian or poet is solicited, and we contemplate with double pleasure places which have attracted their attention, fuch as the house which I am now con-

<sup>\*</sup> Though the building, as it now flands, on a curfory view, appears plain, sufficient marks may be discovered upon a more accurate investigation, which shew that it was once much more ornamented.

fidering, and which the historic record, but still more the poetic pen of Shak speare, has, although the greater part of even its walls, and every trace of its magnificence, have long since mouldered into dust, indelibly fixed in our imaginations, by having recorded it in the interview betwixt the Duke of Gloucester and Lady Ann; a scene wherein he, with great poetic art (for it is entirely the art of the poet), disfundes her fromattending the funeral of Henry the Sixth to Chertsey, and prevails on her to repair to Crosby House, where they were afterwards married.

How long the Duke resided here is uncertain. When he usurped the Crown, we find him in Baynard's Castle; though it is stated by Seymour, that his interview with the Citizens

was at this palace.

Crosby House, it has been already mentioned, became in the reign of Henry the Eighth the refidence of a merchant. It next came into the possession of William Bond, Alderman, who made confiderable additions to the building. In the year 1586, we find it occupied by Henry Romelius, Chancellor of Denmark; then by Sir John Spencer, Knt. who kept his mayoralty in it. The ift of James the First, Monsieur de Rosny \*, Grand Treafurer of France, was its tenant. Afterward, the youngest son of William Prince of Orange, Monsieur Fulke, and the learned Monsieur Barnevelt. Sic transit gloria mundi. This palace, that was once the habitation of royalty, the scene of gaiety, festivity, and splendour, wherein Princes, Nobles, Ambaffadors, and the first of Civic Magistrates, have refided, has been, through a long period of years, declining, and in its present dilapidated state has become a warehouse for merchandize, its remaining chambers probably converted to counting-houses, and its once magnificent hall dedicated to the reception of bales of cloth. Such are the transitions of terrestrial grandeur, the fluctuations of property, and fuch the revolutions of a house wherein, as in a theatre, many of the good and evil circum.

stances of life have been exhibited; a house whose distinguished occupants have long since receded from this busy scene, have long since become insensible to the pains and pleasures attendant upon humanity, and have left in these vestiges another example of the instability of unbounded opulence, and the futility of inordinate ambition.

#### ST. ANDREW UNDERSHAFT.

#### JOHN STOW.

Happening the other day to go into the church of St. Andrew Undershaft, Leadenhall-street; indeed with a view to inspect an edifice which, from having been the place where the city apprentices, and other disfolute persons, assembled on evil May Day 1517, at the Shaft or May Pole, from which the church derives its additional distinction, and whence they commenced their depredations against aliens, &c. has made a confiderable figure in our civic histories; I was ftruck with the neatness, beauty, and elegance, of its interior decorations. These have been so frequently described, that it would be a waste of time to enumerate them; I shall therefore only observe, that the window over the altar, containing in compartments the pictures of the five Monarchs, viz. Edward the Sixth, Elizabeth, James the First, Charles the First, and Charles the Second, affords a fair specimen of the art of painting on glass in the seventeenth century; while a figure of St. Andrew lately finished, and placed in an upper compartment of the same window, serves also to shew, the progress which that art has made at the close of the eighteenth; or at least if it should not be deemed one of the most elaborate effusions of this fystem of painting, it certainly marks, in a very peculiar manner, the difference betwixt the ancient and modern

I think the braffes formerly upon the monuments of Nicholia de Nale, buried January 1566, Henry Mann, D. D. buried October 1566, and perhaps many others, have been torn away; a circumstance which, whether

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<sup>\*</sup> It appears, as stated in No. I. of these Vestiges, that this Nobleman first occupied a house of the Count Beaumont, in Butcher-row, and then removed to Arundel Palace. Whether his residence in Crosby House, which is stated upon the authority of Stow, who himself lived near the spot, was before his removal to Arundel House is uncertain. I rather think it was, as his residence there was certainly in the first of James the First.

it proceeded from avarice or curiofity, able to the age in which this ingenious be lamented, as it is a kind of facrilege which has been, I fear, univerfally prevalent, having had occasion to remark this violation of fepulture in a great number of churches and cemeteries in various parts of the kingdom.

These brief observations forced themfelves upon my attention while I was walking up the middle aide of this church; but it was soon arrested by an object of still more speculative importance, namely, a monument at the upper end of the north aide, representing, in a kind of niche, a figure at a delk writing. This I found, by the inteription, was the effigy of that diligent collector of domestic antiquities, John Stow, who died the 5th of April 1605, at the age of eighty. This monument feems to be of stone; but Mr. Styrpe says, " he was told by an ingenious person that it was only of burnt clay (Terra Cotta) painted." This it is impossible now to discover without injuring the figure. So many coats of paint have been laid on, one very lately, by the directors of the works of this fabric, that the traces by which the different operations of the chiffel or modellingflick might have been discerned, are now totally obliterated; but if it be really composed of burnt earth, of which, upon the authority of Styrpe, I have scarce any doubt, there is one very natural observation arises in the mind, which is, that the art of making figures in artificial stone, that was thought to have been invented about the year 1769 \*, was of a much more ancient date, even in this kingdom : in Italy we know it was practifed in the days of Michael Angelo +.

It is a curious circumitance, but one that is certainly extremely discredit-

whether they were fold to the antiqua- and laborious antiquarian, John Stow, rian or the brazier, is exceedingly to lived that after dedicating the greatest part of a life extended far beyond the usual period of existence to literary researches, to studies in which the public was effentially interested, and the nation ultimately benefited; after having, with infinite folicitude and anxiety, collected materials, and composed volumes, which the ved in a new point of view the grandeur, the imortance, the opulence of his native city; this excellent author should, when fulfering under the tortures of an excruciating dilease, and upon the very verge of the grave, have been obliged to ask alms of his fellow-citizens and countrymen: yet howfoever strange this may seem, it is nevertheless true, that in the year 1604, this worthy Citizen obtained from that learned Monarch, and great encourager of learning, James the First, a licence to collect " the charitable benevolence of well-disposed people" for his sublistence. In this Brief, his various labours for forty-five years, spent in composing his Chronicles, and also eight years dedicated to his Survey of London, his merit, and his age, are recited, and power is given to him, or his deputies, to ask charity at the different churches through a great number of counties and cities in England, with an exhortation and persuasion to persons to contribute. This was in the second year of the King. An-other Brief had been granted, of the same tenor and to the same effect in the first. A letter from the King on the same subject is also extant, on the back of which seven shillings and fixpence was fet down as the subscription of the parish of St. Mary Woolnoth, with the churchwarden's name

\* Vide the European Magazine for January 1802.

† In fact, we might carry the date of this art back to the most remote ages of antiquity. What are the ancient bricks, pottery, &c. but artificial stone? Of what but artificial stone was the composition of many of the laces, lamps, altars, vales, and sacrificing vessels of the ancients. The same observation will apply to our earthen ware in general, and particularly what used to be termed Staffordshire, as also to the muffles and crucibles of the chymitts. What are these but artificial stone? composed of the same materials, and vitrified by nearly the same process. With respect to the revival of the art of forming figures and ornaments of this composition, I think it does honour to the age and country, and that it may be attended with great national advantage. I must observe, that it was correctly stated in the Magazine I have quoted above, that this art owed much of its elegance to the labours of that ingenious sculptor and truly excellent man, the late John Bacon, Efq.

"He died," faith his historian, "on the fifth of April following, in less than fix months after. So that it is feared the poor man had made hittle progress in his collection." The remark upon this transaction is obvious, that it is fingular that this very extraordinary mode of relieving the distresses of so ingenious and learned an individual, while any other could have been suggested, should ever have been adopted; and it neither prepossesses with a very favourable idea

of the liberality of the Court, or City, towards men of letters, when one of the eminence of Stow was, in his extreme old age, obliged to ask charity in a manner the publicity of which must have exceedingly hurt his feelings, and have been, from the tardiness of the means taken to relieve him, suffered to larguish under the pressure of a disease, the pains of which were, perhaps, rendered more acute by the accumulated evils of poverty and disappointment.

#### CARD-PLAYING.

THERE is no diversion which has maintained its ground, in frite of the fickleness of fushion, so uniformly as Card-playing. Other divertions have rifen, succeeded for a time, then declined into disuse; but cards still are in general estimation. Few families are enurely, without them, and few individuals can acquit themselves of having ment many hours in playing them. They have interfered at times with every other amusement; nay, with the necessary engagements of our relative lations. Politicians have been known to continue at the card-table when the Senate demanded their attention; and a magnificent card-party, at the hou e of a woman of quality, has left "an Account of empty Boxes" at the theatre. Dancing his not unfrequently been interrupted by a hand at quadrille; and those whose tongues it is not enfy to referain at other times, voluntarily fubjed themselves for hours to the profound filence of whist. Cards, it has been faid, have spoiled convertation. It might with greater propriety be faid, that they have entirely banished Those attainments are not now defired which gave scope for conversation: and to supply the defect, cards are called for. Those who could have discovered no t lents at remark, or repartee can now play a good hand; and thus to many men and women, who would othe wife have been useless to company, we placed in a fituation where they may appear to advantageat the card table !

With convertation, I will not hefitate to fay, that cards have in a great measure dettroyed good-humour. Those who are eager in the game, and without a certain portion of zeal it is impossible to play, fit down to play with a mutual declaration of hostilities, which commence immediately on the trump card being proclaimed. The object, then, is to make the most of the game. But the opposite party, perhaps, are successful: uneasiness begins to arise in the breaft, which in a little time swells with anger and envy. It needs no very able physiognomist to read the mind in the eye, if there were no other indications. The flush in the face, the biting of the lip, the fmothered - What shall I fay? Oath! Certainly something approaching to it-the discontented air m throwing down the card-all thefe fufficiently indicate, that the mind is in a state of agitation not very friendly to good-humour, to benevolence, or to virtue. There fymptoms are chiefly difcernible where the fum played for is confiderable. But why men and women, possessed of reason, should assemble to hazard a loss which may affect them, and call this diversion, is with me a folecism; and I leave it to be ex-plained by those who are acquainted with the pleafure of lofing more money than they can afford.

It is not to be denied, nor shall I attempt to deny, that I have hitherto had the fair-sex principally in view. My fair readers will not accuse me of taking up an opinion hastily against them, nor of urging censure with severity. But the truth is, and to me a very unpleasant truth, that parents are very generally to blame, for being so ready to finish this branch of education in their daughters. Cards are introduced too frequently in families of middling rank, and sums of money are played for, which cannot always be spared by the losing party. Time,

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the most precious gift of Heaven, is wasted in the most unprofitable of all amusements—an amusement which is innocent only where the fum played for is trifling, and where the time confumed is fhort; but absolutely pernicious both to the head and heart, where the fum is fo great as to engage the affections, and where the time confumed is more than can be spared from the regular hours of sleep. Conversation would not flag if cards were not expected. But because they are expected, people do not give themselves the trouble to cultivate the arts of conversation. Who would qualify himfelf to shine in conversation, when he may supply the place of wit and learning by a pack of cards? And what young lady will give herfelf any uneafiness to appear pleasing by the charms of conversation, when the can do it at fo eafy a rate as playing a rubber of whift?

The effect of that interest which we take in the cards is not temporary. By frequent repetition it becomes habitual, and fhe, who perhaps first fat down to a harmless game at cards, as it is termed, becomes in time an accomplished gamester; and her innocent, her meek, her benevolent temper, is left at the mercy of the four houours or the odd trick. There are no bad passions which cards do not excite in fome degree-a reflection which ought never to be forgotten by those whose task it is to rear the female mind. All the mischiefs which arise from cardplaying, when cards become inviting, may not happen to some individuals, but they are all to be dreaded, fince what has happened to one may happen to another.

But there is a confideration which

ought to have its weight with the fair-fex; and this is, that they feldom or never appear to advantage in the eyes of men while at the card table. It is by affociating with ladies in company that love is produced, that love which ends in the most endearing of all connexions. Let us figure to ourselves a young gentleman who has seen a lady he has a liking to. He wishes to know if her mind answers to her face; if her disposition be correspondent to his ideas of the agreeable; and, in a word, whether she be such a one as he can with prudence choose to be his companion for life. If he never fees this lady but at the card-table, and never has a nearer intercourse than being her partner at whilt, when nothing must be spoken, how is he to judge of her? I leave this case to the consideration of my readers. It is not an uncommon one, and deferves fome attention.

As to the effect of card-playing on the men, it has been represented fo often in every moral writing, that little remains for me to fay. A gamester is one who plays cards with a view to gain money, he will confequently avail himself of every artifice which long practice has taught him. A disposition more hostile, a heart more malignant, than that of the professed gambler, cannot well be conceived. And yet it is frequently the case, that this dispofition has been cherished by slow degrees from infancy, from the time when misguided parents were pleased to see little master play his cards cleverly, and win his school-fellows' pocket-money. Most great vices proceed from small beginnings, and this is one of them.

ORIGINAL LETTER FROM WILLIAM GUTHRIE, Esq. Author of the History of Scotland and Geographical Grammar, to the EARL of BUCHAN.

Great Titchfield street, Sept. 12th,
MY LORD, 1767.

I was unfortunately in the country when the Note which your Lordship did me the honour to send arrived here.

I am, it is true, an author (and one of the oldest in England) by profession; but, for the first time, I feel myself at a loss for words to express the deep fense I have of your Lordship's generous proposal to embellish the history of your country with observations and anecdotes, which will render it more picturesque, and, instead of altering, give a stronger relief and a higher likeness to its features.

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lians term the propriety of composition, are frequent with foreign writers, such as Siri and Brantome, and we have many amongst the English; but their authenticity is questionable; those, derived from such evidences as your Lordship mentions, must be indisputable, and shall be treated with proper attention in any publication in

which I am concerned.

Lord Lyttleton has undoubtedly been too hafty in pronouncing the Regiam Majestatem to be a transcript of Glanville. I have given fome of my reasons in the last Critical Review, where there is a typographical error of a hundred years. When that is rectified, it will appear that it was far from being impossible for a man not to have lived in the time of David the Second and James the First, when the revision of the Regiam Majestatem commenced. How then, in fo short a time, could the Members of the Scotch Parliament ascribe to David the First what belonged to David the Second, as the subsequent revisions were no more than continuations of the first?

Is not the feal of your Lordship's Note a fignet of Mary Queen of Scots? If so, Queen Elizabeth had some grounds for her complaints. It feems to be the seal of a Sovereign, I mean of

Scotland, and not of a woman under covert, which was her apology to Queen Elizabeth. As I shall be very particular upon the history of that unfortunate Princess, I intend to write to some friends, to know how the Memoirs that go under the name of Sir James Melville were midwiv'd into the world. Were they ever authenticated? Is the original MS. oftenfible? Were they not published 100 years after the supposed author's death? Has their ftyle the smallest resemblance to that of his times? If I remember rightly (for it is above 40 years fince I saw the first edition), one David Scot was the publisher, and owns that he altered the language, but why did he not direct us to the original? But, perhaps, in publica commoda peccem; and, if your Lordship has had the patience thus far to advance in this scroll, I am in the wrong to detain you upon past occurrences, when such torrents of living politics, fuch at least as pass here, demand your attention, and therefore I shall beg leave to beg the honour to profess myself,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, And most obliged humble servant,

WILLIAM GUTHRIE.

ANECDOTES OF THOMAS JEFFERSON, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND OF THE LITTLE TURTLE, CHIEF OF THE MIAMIS INDIANS; WITH AN ACCOUNT OF VACCINATION AMONG THEM.

#### TO THE EDITOR OF THE EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

A MONTH or two ago, you were pleased to insert in your Magazine a Vaccine Anecdote respecting the Indian Warrior, denominated "LITTLE TURTLE," which I received from Professor Waterhouse, of Boston; you seem, therefore, entitled to any further particulars connected with this diffinguished Chief of the Miamis.

This confideration encourages me to communicate an extract from a letter dated "City of Washington, July 12th, 1802," which I have received from my ingenious friend Dr. Thornton, refident in that new metropolis. It is more valuable, as the information is sent to me by the Doctor without any knowledge of the previous communica-

tion I had been furnished with from Boston.

After mentioning my "Observations on the Cow-Pock," he observes, "The President of the United States has been very inftrumental in propagating this useful knowledge in various parts of this country, and gave some of the matter to LITTLE TURTLE, the celebrated Indian Chief, who commanded at the defeat of our General St. Clair. By a letter from the Interpreter, the Indians among the Miamis had inoculated three bundred, and they were arriving from all quarters to be inoculated when he wrote, 'he thought' that as many more would receive the matter before the letter could arrive

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here.' I am in hopes that this disease will no longer be among the enemies of these poor people. The LITTLE TUR-TLE is not only one of their greatest warriors, but one of the most polished and refined, as well as acute, of the Indians: indeed he is confidered as a great orator. I took a very extensive vocabulary from him of the Miamis language for the President; who had had one taken by Monsieur Volney before; but I did not find that Monfieur Volney's would be generally understood when I spoke it. This might proceed from his making use of the Roman alphabet only, which is incapable of expressing all the founds. Monfieur Volney, however, wrote a very ingenious piece, entitled "Simplification des Langues Orientales," which was intended to exemplify particularly the founds of the Arabic. I found that the Arabians have the two founds of the English th, as in thine, and in thin, vocal and aspirate; and I can trace thence the 8 of the Saxons, and 9 of the Greeks."

In one of your recent Magazines, you have given the Public, some Memoirs of Thomas Jefferson, the present Supreme Magistrate of the United States. In general, memoirs of characters, especially of the living, are too much in panegyric; but in the account you have given of the Prefident, you have fcarcely done justice to his merits; and the time, I presume to predict, will arrive, when he who now occupies the chair of the late illustrious Washington, will not appear without lustre, even in that constellation of American worthies, where a Wathington indeed, will for ever remain the most brilliant star in the luminous galaxy.

Jefferson, with the urbanity of a good heart, influencing a great mind, has not only been the preserver of the lives of the Indians, by the introduction of vaccine inoculation, but has taught the wandering tribes to cultivate the foil, rather than to room the woods for subfishence; he has domesticated them by the introduction of spinning wheels, and various other implements of domestic and agricultural utility; and has thus prepared them to receive the beneficent principles of the Christian religion.

It is not only from my correspondents in Boston, Washington, and New York, that I have received unequi-

vocal and heartfelt eulogies of Jefferfon, but my letters from Philadelphia
are even more animated in eulogy,
more cordial in gratitude, for his independent and falurary administration.
When we consider the fatality of the
small-pox among the Indians, no man
of feeling, however remote from the
seat of his government, can refrain
from approbation of his provident
attention to the lives, and to the instruction, of a despited, but not a degraded, race of human beings.

I cannot place the defolating ravages of this dreadful difease in a more forcible light, than is afforded in Mackenzie's Travels and Voyages, just published; the relation, indeed, exhibits a more dreadful scene of carnage than what happened many years ago in Greenland; and I request your insertion of it in this place.

In the "Vovages from Montreal on the River St. Laurence, through the Continent of North America, to the Frozen and Pacific Oceans, in the Years 1789 and 1793," the Writer, in describing some settlements by adventurers from Canada, has introduced the following account of the dreadful havock by the small-pox among the Indians.

"Two of the establishments on the Affiniboin River were attacked, when feveral white men, and a greater number of Indians, were killed. In fort, it appeared that the natives had formed a resolution to extirpate the traders; and, without entering into any further reasonings on the subject, it appears to be incontrovertible, that the irregularity purfued in carrying on the trade has brought it into its present forlorn fituation; and nothing but the greatest calamity that could have befatlen the natives faved the traders from destruction: this was the small-pox, which foread its destructive and desolating power as the fire confumes the dry grass of the field. The fatal infection spread around with a painful rapidity which no flight could escape, and with a fatal effect that nothing could refilt. It destroyed with its pestilential breath whole families and tribes; and the horrid scene presented to those who had the melancholy and afflicting opportunity of beholding it, a combination of the dead, the dying, and such as, to avoid the fate of their friends around them, prepared to disappoint

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the plague of its prey, by terminating

their own existence.

"The habits and lives of these devoted people, which provided not today for the wants of to-morrow, must have heightened the pains of luch an affliction, by leaving them not only without remedy, but even without alleviation. Nought was left them but to jubmit in agony and despair.

"To aggravate the picture, if aggravation were possible, may be added, the putrid carcaffes which the wolves, with a furious voracity, dragged forth from the hurs, or which were mangled within them by the dogs, whose hunger was fatisfied with the disfigured remains of their matters. Nor was it uncommon for the father of a family whom the infection had not reached, to call them around him, to represent the cruel sufferings and horrid fate of their relations, from the influence of some evil foirit who was preparing to extirpate their race; and to incite them to baffle death, with all its horrors, by their own poniards. At the same time, if their hearts failed them in this neceffary act, he was himself ready to perform the deed of mercy with his own hand, as the last act of his affection, and instantly to follow them to the common place of rest and refuge from human evil." P. xiv.

I with to make one further communication connected with the present narrative, which I do not wish to intrude as an advertisement of my intended projects in literature, but to gain information by the medium of your widely-read publication.

I hope, however, that I may be allowed to inform you, that I have in my possession a medal of Jefferson.

Obverse—The head of the President.

Inscription—" Th. Jefferson President of the U. S. 4. March 1801.

Reverse—Minerva, the right hand supporting the Cap of Liberty, the lest holding a Book; on a leaf is inscribed, "Declari Independence;" with Trophies; under which is "Constitution." Over the Book, a Dove with Olive Branch.

Exurge-" To commemorate July 4.

1776."

This medal, with the reverse, I defign to ornament a new edition of my "Observations on the Cow-Pock," as exhibiting a patron of the great Jennerian discovery of Vaccination.

With no disparagement to the group of worthies I mean to commemorate, I purpose to introduce a portrait of LITTLE TURTLE; as my fellow-islander (Tortola), Dr. Thornton, a gentleman of fortune, but greater still in benesicence, is one of the first limners living; and I hope from him to procure this

accession to biography.

The late Empress of Russia, who encouraged inoculation of the small-pox, laudably, before Vaccination was established, ordered a female to be inoculated with the Cow-pock, to whom she gave the firname of Vaccinavitz .- To commemorate this circumstance of Vaccine history, I wish also to procure the head of this first Russian who availed herself of the Jennerian discovery; on which occasion I think a medal was struck, and to the best of my recollection, Dr. Rogers, now in Russia, told me he possessed one. But as his return may be distant, should any of your correspondents be in possetsion of such a medal, the fight of it would much

JOHN COAKLEY LETTSOM.

London, Sept. 9, 1802.

# M. GARNERIN'S ASCENT FROM BATH, SEPT. 7.

We prefent the Public with the following occurrences of this fingular voyage, from the pen of M. Gar-Nerin:

The favourable appearance of weather drew, from an immense distance, thousands of spectators to witness the ascension of M. Garnerin, for the thirtieth time, from Sydney Gardens, which, for situation, beauty, or ornament, are not to be equalled by any provincial town, and not excelled by

the metropolis itself. After having accommodated the Public with the opportunity of admiring the process of filling the balloon, he entered the car with Mr. Glasfurd (who had accompanied him from Vauxhall), and gave them a most unexpected treat, by an aërial excursion along the centre walk of the garden, and, resuming his original station, he twice made the circle of the rotunda, saluting the company, who appeared anxiously interested

rested for him. About half-after sive, he rose with a gentle breeze from the N. E. amidst the acclamations of thousands of spectators, whose admirations were re-echoed by millions crowding the neighbouring hills. Upon his ascent, the barometer was 30 deg. and the thermometer 62. 10.; when his feelings were sensibly affected by the tears of interest which trickled from the eyes of the fair, and were only relieved by the beautiful and picturesque scenes that developed as he rose majestically to pursue his voyage.

Monsieur Garnerin and Mr. Glasfurd, his faithful and valued companion, were enjoying the pleasures of their fituation, when at 50 minutes past five they were affected by the cold, and observed the thermometer at 52, a difference of 10 deg. fince they had left the ground. The barometer was funk to 26, which gave an elevation of 3,420 feet. At this height an immense horizon presented itself to their view, which enclosed a most delightful country in miniature; on the right of which they distinctly perceived the sea, in which the fetting fun reflected its beams as from an immense looking-glass. After being enraptured with the fublimity of this scene till 12 minutes past fix, they experienced a still greater degree of cold, the thermometer having funk to 46, which made an alteration of 16 deg. in the temperature. The barometer had rifen but one-tenth, which indicated that they had only neared the earth 76 feet. Monfieur Garnerin ascribed this intense degree of cold to a thick dark cloud which floated over the balloon, which Mr. Glaffurd was defirous to pass, but was opposed by Monsieur Garnerin, who, thinking it was electric, did not approve to risk the danger, and meet the fate of Icarus. They nevertbeless approached it in some degree, when the thermometer remained the same, but the barometer fell 25% inches, which gave the height of 3,620 feet !

In this fituation the inflammable air was confiderably dilated, and the balloon fwelled in proportion. They were involved in vapour, and in this fituation the thermometer funk 3 deg. and flood at 43; the barometer had funk  $24\frac{3}{4}$ , and gave an addition of 874 feet to their former elevation. They were in the heart of a cloud, which M. Garnerin thought to be highly charged with electric matter, the balloon being

completely dilated, feemed to indicate that the least greater elevation would have occasioned it to burst, by the rarefaction of the atmosphere; and finding the necessity of being disengaged from this fituation, he opened one of the lower appendages, which acting expeditiously in concert with the upper valve, at 40 min. past fix, the thermometer funk to 41, but the barometer role 261. M. Garnerin estimated the thickness of the cloud at 1031 feet: from the observation of the thermometer it should appear, that its base was much more condensed than the upper part, for the cold was fo fevere as to oblige them to wrap themselves in their great coats, as the thermometer was within four degrees of the freezing At 52 minutes after fix the thermometer rose to 46, and the barometer funk to 29, when they judged themselves at 874 feet from the earth, and were amusing themselves over the woods, which alarmed the feathered choir, with whom they appeared to difpute the element.

M. Garnerin now proposed to Mr. Glasfurd to alight in a meadow which he perceived as eligible to the occasion, when he faid, " Non, non, afcendons bien baut;" in compliance with which M. Garnerin immediately threw out 20 pounds of ballast, and ascended with extreme rapidity, in a spiral line. At 50 min. after fix they had paffed through feveral clouds, the thermometer falling to 40, and the barometer to 241; having furmounted them all, they were now cheered by the rays of the fetting fun. At 59 min. past fix they found the thermometer had fallen to 36, and the barometer to 23. 1. which leaves the estimated height at 542) feet. The inflammable air having confiderably dilated, M. Garnerin prepared to descend, which he effected at 20 minutes palt feven, and was greeted by the most friendly assistance and welcome of a great concourle of people, who were anxiously waiting his arrival, when he alighted in a field near Mells Park, the feat of Thomas Horner, Efq. distant 16 miles from Bath. While he pays a tribute of equal gratitude to all who were deeply interested for his fuccess, he feels particularly indebted to the distinguished favour of Sir J. C. Hippesley, Bart. Lieut. Col. Horner, Messrs. J Lewis, Wm. Ireland, Rich. Payer, Thos. Tarsant, J. Oakes, and J. Crocker, of Frome.

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LIST OF THE CITIES AND TOWNS IN ENGLAND AND WALES, WHOSE POPULATION EXCREDS FIVE THOUSAND.

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Liverpool	11,446	16,989	77,653	Southampton	1,509	1,876	7,913
Birmingham	14,528	15 303	73,670		1,552	1,728	7,909
Bristol	10,403	14,413	68,645		1,489	1,833	7,668
Leeds	11,258	11,790	43,194	Bury	1,360	1,641	7,655
Plymouth	4,447	10,708	43,194		1,325	1,732	7,579
Newcastle	4,199	8,044	36,963	Wellington	1,467	1,576	7,53 ×
Norwich	8,016	9,093	36,854		1,024	1,930	7,530
Bath	4,289	6,510	32,200	Whitby	1.596	1,992	7,483
Portfmouth	5,310	6,937	32,166	Lincoln	1,516	1,619	7,398
Sheffield	6,518	6,754	31,314		e 1,282	1,380	7,339
Hull	4,649	7,449	29,516		1,254	1,551	7,302
Nottingham	4,977	6,707	28,861	Shields, North	891	2,024	7,280
Exeter	2,692	3:947	17,398	Huddersfield	1,376	1,456	7,268
Leicelter	3,205	3,568	16,953	Berwick	930	1,791	7,187
York	2,407	3,841	16,145	Bury	1,341	1,400	7,072
Coventry	2,930	3,548	16,034	Northampton	1,332	1,652	7,020
Chester	3,109	3,427	15,052	Grantham	1,385	1 456	7,014
Dover	3,339	3,834	14,845	Bilston	1,246	1,268	6,914
Yarmouth	3,081	3,541	14,845	Kendall	1,394	1,671	6,792
Stockport	2,572	2,965	14,831	Hereford	1,392	1,715	6,828
Shrewibury	2,773	3,300	14,739	Rochester	1,136	1,553	6,817
Greenwich	2,067	3,215	14,339	Newark -	1,376	1,487	6,730
Bolton, Great	2,454	2,509	12,594	Scarborough	1,615	1,769	6,688
Wolverhampte	on2,344	3,087	12,565	Sandwich	1,287	1,407	6,506
Sunderland	1,365	3,572	12,412	Tiverton	1,221	1,397	6,505
Oldham	1,212	1,464	12,024	Bradford (York.	)1,317	1,393	6,393
Blackburn	2,339	2,405	11,980	Barton	1,051	1,350	6,197
Preston	2,169	2,347	11,887	Bishop Wearmou	th 884	1,603	6,126
Oxford	1,827	2,230	11,694	Kidderminster	1,251	1,405	6,101
Colcheiter	1,959	2,829	11,520	Swanfea	1,182	1,504	6,099
Worcester	2,237	2,627	11,352	Beverley	1,300	1,432	6,001
Ipswich	2,170	2,738	11,277	Mansfield	1,201	1,258	5,998
Wigan	2,177	2,277	10,989	Boiton	1,221	1,334	5,926
Derby	2,144	2,441	10,832	Winchester	791	902	5,826
Huddersfield	1,873	1,873	10,671	Trowbridge		1,073	5,799
Quick (York.)		1,873	10,665	Hunslet	, ,	1,258	5,799
Warrington	2,258	2,315	10,567	Taunton		1,308	5,794
Chatham	1,715	2 664	10,505	Warwick		1,143	5,775
Walfal	1,984	2,084	10,399	Croydon		1,115	5,743
Carlifle	1,314	2,303	10,221	Workington	1,160	1,375	5.716
Dudley	1,922	2,170	10,107	Doncaster		1,261	5,697
Lynn	1,965	2,437	10,096	Holywell		1,189	5,567
Cambridge	1,691	2,078	10,087	Ellesimere		7,117	5,553
Woolwich	1,341	2,556	9,826	Carmarthen		7,737	5,548
Reading	1,751	2,135	9,742	Stroud		1,355	5,422
Spotland (Lanc.		1,707	9,031	Deal		,107	5 420
Lancaster	1,598	1,998	9,030	Shepton Mallet		1,191	5,104
Canterbury	1,741	2,276	9,000	Hinkley	919	966	5,070
Hallifax	1,913	1,935	8,386		, , ,	715	
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Macclesfield	1,426	1,539	8,743	the population o			
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the registered vessels in the River Thames, were added to the 864,000, that the metropolis would undoubtedly exceed 1,000,000 souls; almost a tenth part of the population of England and Wales; and nearly one-twelfth of the whole people of Great Britain.

A LIST OF THE COUNTY TOWNS IN ENGLAND AND WALES, WHOSE PO-PULATION IS LESS THAN FIVE THOU-

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Chichester	821	1,017	4,744
Bedford	783	975	3 948
Stafford	710	802	3,898
Launceston	465	947	3,684
Hertford	529	666	3,360
Monmouth	638	743	3,345
Dolgelly (Merio	n.) 630	730	2,949
Haverfordwest	593	722	2,880
Pool (Montgen	n.) 530	661	2,872
Cardiff	314	413	1,870
Guildford	464	579	2,634
Buckingham	551	617	2,605
Brecon	499	586	2,576
Dorchester	344	515	2,402
Denbigh	534	590	2,391
Huntingdon	350	350	2,035
New Radnor	359	350	1,921
Cardigan	415	430	1,911
Carnarvon	304	336	1,770
Beaumaris	267	288	1,576

Abstract of the Enumeration of England and Wales, taken in 1801, in Conformity to an Act of Parliament.

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Summary.	Males.	Females.	Total of Persons.
England	3,987,935	4,343,499	
Wales	257,178	284,368	541,546
Army	198,351	No. of the last of	198,351
Navy	126,279		126,276
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Vessels	144,558	19.4	144,558
Convicts	1,410		1,410

Grand

Total 4,715,711 4,627,867 9,343,578

England contains 1.467,870 houses, occupied by 1.778,420 families; Wales contains 108,053 houses, occupied by 118,303 families. There are 53,965 uninhabited houses in England, and 3,511 in Wales.

In England 1,524,027 persons are employed chiefly in agriculture, and 1,789,532 in trade, manufactures, and handicraft. In Wales 189,062 are employed in agriculture, and 53,822 in trade. &cc.

It will be observed, that when the Army and Navy are added to the males, there is a total excess of the number of males over that of females

of 88,844.

# Mo. II.

ON THE EXERCISE OF THE POWERS OF THE MIND.

Atque animum nunc huc celerem, nunc dividit illuc.

VIRG.

This way and that he turns his anxious mind.

DRYDEN.

The munificence of Heaven, in endowing man with intellectual faculties, has beflowed upon him an invaluable blessing; for it is to this cause, that he owes the superiority which he possesses over the brute creation. He, therefore, who neglects to avail himself of the advantage which he enjoys, seems to spurn the kindness that is offered to him, and to be wanting in gratitude to the gracious Author of his Being.

But there are few who are capable of being influenced by the dictates of gratitude. Though the generous fentiments which it inspires may for a moment warm our breafts, yet so absolute is the ascendency of our inclination, that our gross partiality allows the justice of its arguments, and surnishes us with some shallow pretext, which we willingly adopt, for condemning every consideration, the tendency of which is hostile to its views. If, therefore, when we are studying to prevail upon ourselves to make use of this glorious boon, we rely upon the obligations of gratitude, by which we are bound, the endeavour will most probably prove fruitless. But if we can convince ourselves, that it is our

interest

interest to do so, the task will then be

no longer difficult.

The exercise of the powers of the mind is at once ufeful, pleafing, and

bonourable. The advantages which it affords us are various. Cogitation may be confidered as the elescope with which we defery minutely the most distant objects; it enables us to forutinize both the actions of others and the principles of our own hearts. We shall find it to be the fafest antidote against the misconceptions of prejudice, the weaknesses of inexperience, and the propensities of vice. It instructs us how to distinguish between good and evil, between sincerity and hypocrify: it reminds us of the patt, it calls our attention to the prefent, and carries us forward into the future. In the journey of life it teaches us to profit by the dangers which we have encountered, to avoid fuch as now lie before us, and to be prepared for those that may await us in future: when we hefitate which road to purfue, it removes our scruples by the most wary directions; and whenever we have erred through inadvertence, or have been seduced by art from the right way, it points out to us the furest and most speedy method of regaining the track which we forfook. It recalls to our recollection our past conduct, and shews us wherein we have failed; and lays before us the duties which we owe to our Maker and our fellow-creatures. It suppresses the murmurs of discontent by enumerating the comforts which we enjoy, and dulls the pungency of affliction, by reminding us, that our fufferings are the lot of humanity, and are difpenfed by ONE who over-rules every event for our good, who knows what we are able to bear, who observes narrowly how we support ourselves under the calamities which oppress us, and who will not fail, in due feafon, to remunerate the patience and the fortitude of the Christian. It may be added, that the frequent use of the faculties of the understanding adds greatly to their frength. As the health of the body may be promoted by regular exercise, or injured by vicious indulgence, to the powers of the mind may be enlarged by habitual attention, or enervated by diffipation and in-

The pleasures of meditation are also numerous. It cans a delightful even-

ness over all the troubled surges of life, and transports the mind from the difappointments and anxieties of the prefent to the perfect felicity of the future. It carries us aloft on its wings into the enchanting regions of the imagination, "the powers of which," fays Akenfide, " are the inlets of some of the most exquifite pleafures that we are acquainted with." It reinstates the aged in the bloom and sprightliness of youth, and renews old scenes of pleasure; it strikes years out of the lives of the young, leaps over the bounds of probability, and places them in the enjoyment of prosperity and happiness beyond the extent of their most fanguine expectations. But contemplation is never so ecstatick as when it is employed in admiring the grandeur and the harmony of the vast scale of creation, and the transcendent beauties of its various parts, and in catching a glimple of the unbounded greatness of Him who rides upon the clouds, and rolls the Heavens along. When we indulge meditation of this kind, we are filled with an enthusiastic nobleness of mind almost beyond our nature, we reslect upon ourfelves with abasement, and we furvey the fwellen oftentation of human splendour with pity and contempt.

Reflection is bonourable too. It stamps a certain manliness upon our reputation, which the wife man always admires, and which the most siry fopling cannot but revere. What character is the object of more general or more merited ridicule than the fribbler, who cannot confider his closet otherwise than as the prison which restrains the liberty of folly, and whose conversation consists not of the remarks of intuitive acuteness, or the pertinent reflections of gravity, but of the empty prattlings of childish loquacity! Even the female part of fociety cannot but behold with difdain the man in whom they fearch in vain for the superiority which is expected from virility, and who, undefended by the apologies of cultom, possesses their ignorance and their levity without their innocence. And here I cannot help observing, that it is a conclusive tellimony of a weak mind to be captivated by the butterfly, who launches out into every extravagance of fashion, and catches at every refinement of affectation, rather than by the man who feeks to recommend himfelf by the

endowments

endowments of his mind, or the bene-

volence of his heart.

But in speaking thus highly of meditation, I do not with to be confidered as recommending the folitude of the eremite, or the austerity of the mis-anthrope. There is no situation of life, nor any period of our existence, at which a contemplative mind needs be unemployed. Any ordinary occurrence may fometimes lead our thoughts into an instructive and delightful train: an inconfiderable frem frequently spreads out into the most luxuriant ramifications. It is a midaken notion, that reflection is incompatible with pleasure: it is productive of it; but the pleasure which it begets is not the fudden burft of unmeaning frenzy, but the uniform cheerfulness of a mind which applies the lenitive of philosophy to every pain. I am always very highly pleased with that beautiful pas-sage of Addison, where he so forcibly delineates this happy turn of mind. "For my own part," fays he, "though I am always ferious, I do not know what it is to be melancholy, and can therefore take a view of nature in her deep and folemn fcenes with the fame pleasure as in her most gay and delightful ones. By this means," he adds, " I can improve myself with those objects which others consider with terror." As the bow which is always strung loses its force, so the mind which is always kept on the stretch of thought must necessarily be exhausted. Occasional intermissions are the necessary relief of nature: but we must be mindful to prescribe proper bounds to our recreations; for the allurements of pleasure are too apt to gain upon our affections. He who devotes himself to fruition, and never employs his talents but in thriking out new stratagems of voluptuous indulgence, is always miserable. A certain littleffness, which overcasts his mind, robs every gratification of its charms: he reviews the palt day with difgust, and anticipates the morrow with despair. It is therefore the part of prudence to temper reflection with recreation, and to relieve the fatigue of the one by the vacancy of the other.

It should be our study to improve every important event which falls within our observation, and to imitate the example of the bee, which seeks for honey in every slower. The mis-

fortunes of others should teach us prudence, our own should teach us humility; the prosperity of others should stimulate our industry, our own should excite our gratitude. When we see our friends carried to their graves, we should reflect on the vanity of all the honours which ambition can obtain, and all the wealth which avarice can hoard; we should remember that we too shall be soon borne to the same common receptacle; and should enquire, how far we have fulfilled the purposes of our existence. When any peculiar dispensation of Providence rouses us from the stupor of heedless indifference, and crowds upon our recollection the fins of which we have been guilty, the favours which we have received, and the dishculties, from which we have been extricated, this furvey should tend to shame us into virtue, and to encourage our confidence in HIM whose indusgence and fupport we have so repeatedly and so

undefervedly experienced.

But it too frequently happens, that impressions of a serious nature are stamped but faintly upon the mind, and are foon obliterated by the destructive example of the vicious, or effaced by the ravages of time. For this reason, we ought to encourage their frequent recurrence, and to build upon them fuch ferious resolutions as may convert them to our lasting advantage. Reflection will prove of but little avail, if we fuffer the virtuous emotions which it awakens in our breafts to be diffipated by the first trivial occurrence that attracts our notice. It is then that it thines forth in all its unclouded lustre, when the beneficial effects of its influence are displayed in our lives. I would therefore with to recommend a habit of reviewing in the evening the incidents of the day, of examining impartially how far our conduct has been praise-worthy, and wherein we might have acted with greater prudence; and of availing ourselves of the deductions of our meditation, whenever any opportunity is offered to us. Thus no day would glide away without teaching us some lesson, and no lesson would pass by unimproved. This habit would serve as a faithful compass to inform us, how far we have proceeded in the course of virtue, or how far we have deviated from it. For if we find the

task become more and more painful to us, and feel ourselves inclined to pass over our actions in carelesses, rather than arraign them at the bar of Conficience, it is a dangerous symptom. When, as a dangerous symptom, whearts, we are perpetually haunting the ring of noisy and unthinking mirth, the trumpet of alarm cannot be sounded too soon; but if we find ourselves becoming every day more attached to the calmness of solitude, if we perceive the

fatisfaction which we receive from the review of our conduct continually increase, and the uneasiness gradually disappear, it is well. For this we may fafely consider as a certain evidence that we are daily growing in virtue, and that the affections of our minds are concentred in those pursuits which can alone bestow substantial and permanent felicity.

AURELIUS.

September the 4th, 1802.

COPY OF AN ORIGINAL LETTER FROM SIR FRANCIS WINDIBANK, TO KING CHARLES THE FIRST, WITH THE KING'S ANSWER IN THE MARGIN—THE METHOD THEN PRACTISED BEFORE THE POSTS WERE ESTABLISHED.

It may please your Majesty,

UPON Monday the 3 st of August,
and upon Tuesday the first of this
present [September], I made several
dispatches to your Majesty, and gave
account of your affairs here, sin London]: The occasion of the last was the
calling of Earl of Essex from Ecnes to
your Majesty, and the conferring of
some employment upon him there,
which I do again most humbly beseech
your Majesty to take into serious coninderation, as a business, in the oppinion of the committe, highly concerning your service.

Most of these Lords that resorted to this town, and mentioned in one of my last dispatches, are now, after some meetings and consultations, retired into the country; but I understand the result of their Councils hath been, to present a petition to your Majesty, which they either have already sent, or will shortly send, to your Majesty.

The Earl of Warwick came lately to Oxford, in a coach of the Earl of Hertford's, and had long conferences with the Primat of Ardmah, who is now in the University: from thence he went to the Lord Say, and so came to London.

The paper that goeth herewith is a duplicat of a letter written lately from Windfor, which my Lord of Canterbury thought fit to be presented to your Majesty. The truth is, those of the Scotch Nation, both in the towns and in other parts, are grown very high upon their success at Newcastle; and in London and Westminster, some of them made feasts the last night, in triumph for that news; and much ringing there was in London.

This Dispache came most opportunite to my Hands; for it was, as I awas confulting about the pctition presented by the Lords of the South. I have agreed to your advyce in the substance onie; for the Place, we all beere, are cleerlie and unanimustie resolved, that the meeting must be beere [at York] for manie Reasons which I referr to Goring.

Yesterday the Earl Marshal and myfelf attended her Majesty at Oatlands, as well to present our humble fervices to her, as to advile with what was fit to be done in this distraction your Majesty's affairs. The Earl Marthal reprefented to her Majesty his op-

pinion, that it would be very fit to call the Nobility of the Kingdom to a general councell, and to make them tenfible of the danger wherein your Majesty, the whole state, and consequently themselves, are at this prefent; and to let them know, that now the intentions of the rebels were manifest to make an absolute conquest of the nation.

This my Lord thought would engage them in the common cause, and give great satisfaction to the people: I thereupon defired the Queen to joyn in advice to your Majesty to this purpose, and that a dispatch might be made by me to your Majesty accordingly, and with all expedition: Her Majesty would not contradict it, but thanked my Lord for his care, and told him she would write; but withall in private she was pleased to let me know the would write only Generalls, and refer the rest of my relation, which I conceive is the effect of her Majesty's letters that go herewith. Her Majerty likewite

likewise desired me not to be too forward in making any such dispatches to your Majesty, until I had advised with my Lord of Canterbury, which I most willingly obeyed, never intending to enter upon a business of such weight without his and the Committe's knowledge; and these considerations was done by them, which I

I now prefent to your Majesty Tell my Lord of herewith, and this the Lords Canterbury, that I cave it freelie to him, have proposed whether he will com meerly as an addoune or not; for as the jurnie will be most vice upon that trubelsum, so I cannot which Mr. Secretary Vane figpromise anie great comnified in his letforte any of as will take of this meeting. ters, that your Majesty expect-

ed an advise from my Lords, even what was fit to be done in this exigence; and the Committe - not -(though, for my part, I with the busine's had gon no farther, until we had more particularly understood your Majesty's Sense of it and Commandments) but, when they came to the Councile, which likewife met this Afternoon, after I had given Account of Mr. Secretary Vane's dispatches, and that your Majesty expected Advice from them, this Calling of the Peers was proposed, and put to Votes, and it was unanimously voted by the whole Board, to be offered to your Majeffy,

Send me Word who Advice, faveing those Lords were. that some of the Lords did joyn

awith it the Calling of a Parliament todainly; but this last, if it were practicable, what present Remedy it could give to your Majesty's Affairs, now the Enemy is at our Gate, I do not yet understand: However, I am commanded by the Lords most humbly to present and submit this Calling of the Peers to your Majesty, as their Opinion only; with this, that, at this Distance, they are in the Dark, and find no Grounds, by any Advertisement that comes from thence, upon what they can settle a Councill in so important a Business.

The Lords have thought fit to fend Mr. Nicholas to attend your Majesty on this Business;

I have sent back so he hath the your Considerations and Extracts of Mr. fusered by Apostyle. Twr. Letters,

upon which this Advice of theirs is taken and founded; and likewise the Considerations of the Committe, now likewise sent by this Bearer, that your Majesty may be so much the better prepared to dispatch Mr. Nicholas away back again, when he shall arrive there, which will be more slowly much than this Bearer, who promises to use great Diligence.

The Lord Maior and Aldermen were likewise at the Board this Afternoon, and the Earl Marshal delivered them your Majesty's Commission of Lieutenancy, letting them know the Trust you repose in them; and, as the greatest argument thereof, that the Queen and your Royal Children are, by your Majesty's Appointment, to reside here.

The Earl Marshal further acquainted them with the present Danger, and

This was mest unadvysedly done: therefore by anie means stay
the giveing of them
Powder upon some
handsome pretence or
other, as likewise the
increase of their men.

made them so
fensible of it,
that they promised to be ready with all
their force upon
any warning, to
which purpose
they desired.

der, which the Lords have thought fit to grant them; and they defined to encrease the number of their Trayned Bands. The Lords gave them a latitude to raise them in as great a number as they could or would.

The Lords of the Committee have likewife commanded me to reprefent to your Majesty that the Lieutenant of the Tower is observed to be discontented since the

If I can find an Occafion, I will.

LordConstable's being there; and therefore, if your

Majesty could handsomely call him from thence, and put him in some employment in your army, they are of opinion it would much contribute to your Majesty's services.

The Earl Marshal, and the Lord Cort, are to go Tomorrow to view a place on the other side of the river, right over against the Lymehouse, which may be made a fit magazine for the powder, it lying very dangerously now where it is; and, in the mean time, a good proportion of it may be sent to Portsmouth, if your Majesty pleases.

The Lord Cott. hath made a provifion of 2000 pair of shoes, 1000 of B h 2 which which are delivered to the carrier of York, and the other shall be fent im-

mediately.

All that your Majesty, by your Letters or otherwise, hath given in Charge to the Lord Constables, concerning the fortifying and repairing of the Tower, is in Hands. Sir William Uvedale goes from hence Tomorrow with 15000l and if he could have stayed three or four Days longer, he might have had 3cm l. more, which shall be fent with all the speed that may be. I have received my dispatch back again, apostyled, of the 28th of August, and

likewise your Majesty's Letter of the 31st, by Mr. Walker of Carlisse, for both which your Majesty may please to accept my most humble Thanks, and withal to pardon the Length of these. With all Humility I crave Leave to rest,

Your Majesty's most humble, Subject and Servant,

FRANCIS WINDIBANK

Drury Lane, Wednesday Night 2d of September. 1640. Returned, apostyled, by the King, dated York, 4 Sept.

## ESSAYS AFTER THE MANNER OF GOLDSMITH.

ESSAY XIX.

" I'll eat nothing, I thank you, Sir." GENTLE MASTER SLENDER.

The disadvantages of Timidity, or what the French call Mauvaise bonte, or False Shame, are so numerous and pitiable, that we cannot wonder at the great pains which persons of the higher ranks of society take to divest their fathionable offspring of so trouble-some a companion; and when the being persectly at ease means that happy point only which presents a man to the best advantage, unfullied by pride, affectation, or impudence, it is the persection of good breeding, and constitutes the gentleman.

The following letter, received only a few days fince from a correspondent who labours under the unhappy malady above-mentioned, describes the symptoms and character of the disease so faithfully, that no patient can be at a loss to discover whether he is actually affected with the complaint.

SIR.

Having read with much attention, in the European Magazine, your Estays on the Morals and Manners of the prefent age, I am encouraged to ask your opinion and advice on my peculiar case, which falls under the latter head, that is, of "Manners," being, you must know, very much asraid that I am extremely desective in that necessary article of life, owing, as I imagine, to a complaint that, when it comes on me, prevents the exercise of my functions, whether vital, natural, or animal, for the time it lasts; that hangs

about me worse than the jacket of Dejanira did about Hercules, or the little Old Man that clung to the shoulders of Sindbad the Sailor in the Arabian Nights Entertainments. This disorder generally attacks me when I go out of doors, or into company; it stops my mouth, feizes hold of my limbs, fixes my eyes, and paralizes the functions of my mind and body, till I become nearly as inanimate as a stock or a stone. If I be surrounded by a party in the Park, or in the street, I look for all the world like the statue of King James in Privy Gardens; if I be feated in a chair in company, I am as immoveable as Banquo's Ghoft; and when I dine abroad, it totally deprives me of appetite. Yet, extraordinary as it may appear, I am perfectly well and in spirits when I am at home, can talk to myself by the hour together, and stalk about the room with vast importance. But that you may be the better able to understand the nature of my complaint, I will make you in some measure acquainted with my constitution and habits of living from my infancy, from which you may probably determine whether the disease be hereditary, confirmed, or incurable, or whether it may be possible to restore the tone of my manners, to create in me an appetite for being genteel, or to electrify me with the sparks of vivacity and good-breeding. Now, Sir, you must, in the first place, be informed, that my father, Mr. Barnaby

Bashful the elder, was a Citizen; but, though you may be inclined to shake your head on that account, yet you will please to recollect that many of our young City blades, to use an expression that I heard the other day, and had kindly explained to me, are perfectly au fait, or up to what they ought to do in company; and therefore I am not the more incurable on that account. I was my mother's favourite, and must admit that her regime and course of education were ill calculated to form me agreeably to the manners of the world. My father died when I was only ten years of age, and left my mother with a little independence. The first thing she did was to take me, out of her parental tenderness, from school before I knew my Latin, being, as the used to say, a very delicate child, and not fit to buffet with the boys at a public seminary. I shall never forget how the used to cuddle me up from the cold of a night, and carefully tie a handkerehief round my neck when I went out in the air. " Poor dear! 'tis so tender!" was her constant expression when she was shielding me from the frost of a fine winter's morning, or covering me up from a gentle shower of rain in the midst of summer. I never was suffered to go any where without her, and she feldom went out, unless to take a cup of tea with Aunt Dorothy on a Sunday. The boys in the neighbourhood used to call me Molly Bashful; and, though I had not much inclination to fight, I believe that I thould have done it once if my mother had not got hold of my arm, and infifted on my not making myself a blackguard. But though I might fuffer a great deal from these indulgencies, yet my situation was attended with fome advantages: I had an extensive library to refort to; my mother was possessed of a Book of Martyrs, Salmon's Geography, and Pilgrim's Progress, and my father had left behind the great object of his studies when he retired on a Sunday to his villa at Kentish Town, a large Encyclopedia, or Dictionary of Arts and Sciences; but he poor man had only lived to get to H; and on all matters beyond that his understanding was altogether circumscribed; but he left me to go through the alphabet, which I did with aftonishing diligence. Such was my course of education, which embraced the whole circle of science;

much more liberal, I assure ye, than that of my friend Bob Bluster, the upholsterer's son next door, of whom I shall have occasion to speak hereafter. Beside these acquirements, I had a good voice, and learned to play a little on the piano-forte. But, to shorten my narrative, I shall end the days of my poor mother, who died of a decline when I was only twenty five, and I was thrown, at that tender age, upon the wide world. My inheritance was not fufficient without some help, and I had to look out for a business; that of my father, a haberdasher, I knew nothing of, so that I was utterly at a loss how to apply to advantage the little capital I possessed. At last, my old play-fellow Bob Blufter, who, being a next-door-neighbour's child, had been permitted fometimes to come in to fee me, arrived from abroad, and had been made a Captain. Luckily, he paid me uncommon attention; his father had also been dead some years, and Bob spent his money freely, and kept the best company; though I confess I am at a loss why he should have picked me out, having none of his qualifications to recommend me. Bob advised me by all means to set up wine merchant, and pointed out the prospect he had of serving me in that line, from his connexions. But, as it happened, nothing could be more illjudged, as you will perceive when I recount the numerous scrapes and difficulties in which it involved me. However, I laid in the pipes and hogsheads, which I did from the recommendation of my cellar-man; for, as you must know I had never drank any thing with my mother but goofeberry wine, it was natural to conjecture that I could be no great judge of port or therry: but that did not much matter; my tafte would improve in time; and I displayed various samples on the mantle-shelf in the compting-house of the most curious brandies and furubs; my binns in the cellar were well filled with empty bottles; and the cooper took care to find casks: thus I had a great stock, as is the way with us in the City. Bob had promised to introduce me into the upper circles, as an opulent merchant well known on 'Change, and one day actually took me under his arm to Colonel Gaylife's house, in Grofvenor-street, where he wished me to make my debut, as he called it. I was quite elated at the approaching

event, which was about to fix the most important æra of my life, and dreffed myself in my best black satin breeches and blue filk stockings. I had little doubt but that I should come off on this occasion with great eclat, and thought myself just emerging from obscurity: but vain and empty are the brightest views of ambition! "Towering Ambition over-vaults itself," as Macbeth says in the play: all turned out wrong. To be fure, I did very well till I got to the Colonel's house, and then I was seized with the first attack of any consequence that I can remember of this cruel disorder. When the Captain gave a thundering knock at the door, I felt an indefcribable tremor feize me all over, that carried away all my spirit in a moment. I would gladly have parted with half my stock to have been playing, as I was wont to do, at all fours or crib. bage, with my poor mother, when she was alive, at the old lodgings in Distafflane: but there was no alternative: a dashing fellow in livery opened the door, and I followed the Captain in, like a thief going into the Public-Office at Bow-street. I, who set out as merry as a grig, was now, all at once, as flat as a flounder. In this hopeless situation I was introduced to the Colonel in the drawing-room, who addressed me with great condescension and affability: but all would not do; I only made a number of awkward bows in return: he asked me the news of the day; but unfortunately I had not read the morning paper, and so I answered not a fyllable, and looked like a fool. Dinner was announced, and the Colonel led the way; Blufter and three more dashing fellows offered me the precedence, which I had the presence of mind to dispute till they were glad to leave me to follow behind, which I did, frightened at the scene I had to act. I, however, took my chair at the table, when, most unluckily, the Colonel picked me out to cut up a capon that was in the dish next me. I never was in fuch a scrape before, and knew nothing of the matter. Pride, however, got the better of Prudence, and, alarmed at the idea of being thought ignorant, I handled the knife and fork, and with some difficulty dislodged the wing with part of the breakt-bone attached to it; but in the action of difmembering this formidable fowl, I made a splash among the gravy that

forinkled the cravat and waiftcoat of a Captain of Horse, who grinned a ghastly finile that frightened me almost out of my life. I was in a most dreadful pucker; but nothing was faid, and my alarm subsided by degrees; but in spite of entreaty I could not eat two mouthfuls. At last the stained table cloth, the object of my difgrace, was happily removed; when those ugly things called water-glasses, with which I was then utterly unacquainted, were next introduced, and occasioned a new and dreadful mistake in my manners. I conceived that the company meant to keep themfelves fober by drinking negus; and, taking them to be a new fashion of glasses, I decanted half a bottle of therry into the one before me, to the infinite aftonishment of all present: the Colonel stared, the Captain of Horse grinned again, and Bluster, for the first time I ever observed him in my life, looked confused. I began to discover that I had made a sad blunder, particularly when I found the rest of the Gentlemen washing their mouths and hands, just as if they were using so many wash-hand basons, and which was what I could not possibly have conceived to be confonant with goodbreeding in company. Blunder now fucceeded after blunder. When I was asked for a Lady toast, I gave an Alderman; and when applied to for a sentiment, I drank the Wet Dock Company. I was next called upon to fing; and as I had reason to think I had a good voice, and was a tolerable judge of music, I concluded my fuccess in that would be certain. But what was my astonishment when, owing to a fit of my cruel complaint, I found that I was not able to articulate a fingle note, and, what was worfe, that I totally forgot the words. A Gentleman at my right advised me to try another key; and another on my left to begin again; and so I did, with the same ill success as before, and with the last verse of the song instead of the first. I was nevertheless loudly applauded by the company, one of whom cried out vociferoufly, "Encore." I took these for marks of genuine applause, and was actually about to oblige them a third time, when Bluffer whifpered me by no means to fing again, and I was prudent enough to take his advice. The bottle now went round freely, and I felt a sensation that I had never experienced while drinking my

good mother's goofeberry-wine; one of the fymptoms, no doubt, of my unhappy complaint. While the Captain of Horse was singing, "Flow thou regal purple stream," I felt a sudden qualm, which was followed by an event that covered me with confusion, and at the recital of which you would ficken, if I were to describe the minutize of my misfortune. I retired in difgrace, and determined to give up all thoughts of going into company, and of the trade; but Bob Blufter encouraged me with freth hopes, and advised me by all means to have an eye to bufinefs, as I had asked the Colonel to see my cellar at St. Dunstan's Hill. The next Friday, fure enough, he called, and I invited him and his friends down. The stick candlesticks were prepared, and we explored our way through alleys of binns, and pipes of port and Madeira. I invited the Colonel to tafte some of the best London particular, with which he readily complied; and we drank until the wine-merchant himself was laid prostrate among the faw-dust in his own cellar. I began to reflect very feriously when I recovered, and to think that I should never be able to make any thing of the business. Nevertheless, I sent in the Colonel's order, and many others which he had recommended me: the pages of my ledger were filled with titled names, and I was presently doing a great stroke of business. At Christmas I fent in my bills ; in June I ventured to call, but my complaint always took me when I was about to ask for my money. The next Christmas passed over; and now I began to experience new difficulties, and found that I could no longer do without a fupply. Bob, however, gave me comfort, assured me that my money was perfectly fafe, and advised me to borrow till I should get paid. This was a terrible talk to one with that unhappy complaint upon me. I fet out, however, one morning on the errand; and the first person I called on was my neighbour Mr. Broadcloth, the woollen draper; he was in his compting-house, but I was a long time before I could muster refolution to open the business; at last I stammered out that I had great occafion for the loan of a hundred pounds. Broadcloth stared, told me he was very forry, but he had drawn his banker fo close that he could not accommodate me. I next went to my friend

Mr. Scrip, the flock-broker, and asked him; but when he found that I did not want a transfer, he told me, he was fo very bufy that he could not possibly attend to me just then. waited an hour for him in the Rotunda; but he did not shew his face again, and I went away, with my old complaint confiderably increased. I made Blufter acquainted with my ill fuccefs; and having received a bill of exchange from the country, I asked him if he could get it discounted at his banker's, as mine had declined to do it. Bluster fmiled, took me along with him, walked into the thop with an air, asked for one of the Gentlemen, addressed him with great familiarity, " How d'ye do to-day? Any news? Is money scarce? Want a good bill difcounted: You're the people for money, I know :" when, to my utter aftonishment, my friend Bob, who had never kept more than fifty pounds at a time in their hands, came off with fuccefs; but, as we were returning home, he took an opportunity to borrow a round fum out of it, which, added to a great many more advances I had made him, and the bad debts he had recommended me to, left me in no very enviable circumstances; and I had the prudence to leave off bufiness just in time, and go a little way from town till I could settle my affairs; but I found, that as foon as I had ceased to furnish the Colonel with wine, he ceased his invitations to dinner, which I was not very forry for, as I could never entirely get rid of my complaint. Now, Sir, as I am about to turn over a new leaf, and to lay out the little I have left to advantage, and as I cannot rely upon my friend Bluster; I shall be much obliged if you will advise me, as foon as you conveniently can, on the following points and queries:

First, As to what line of business would suit me best, taking my complaint always into consideration? and, Whether you do not think that I might possibly succeed if I were to turn Quaker, as they are able to speak when the

Spirit moves them.

Secondly, As to what course I ought to pursue to shake off my complaint in company; and, Whether if I were to mix a little among ladies of pleasure, and learn to box, it might not be extremely salutary to one in my condition

Thirdly, Whether if I can learn to

fwear genteelly, it might not affift in giving me the Ton.—N. B. I have never been able to bring myfelf to a point of perfection in this art; and though the other day, Patty (my maidfervant) spilt a glassfull of spruce beer into my plate of boiled mutton and turnips, I involuntarily exclaimed, "Zounds, Patty, Whatare you about?" yet I have never been able since to pronounce it with the like happy facility, emphasis, and advantage of expression; and as for "Dennie," it is truly extraordinary that I can never bring myself to speak it with elegance and propriety.

Fourthly, Whether if I were to belong to the Pic Nics, it might not be the means of improving my manner; or if I were to go up in a balloon, Whether it might not give me some new

airs

N. B. I can't dance, though I went for fix months to a mafter who teaches grown Gentlemen; but he could never, with all his pains, advance me further than the five positions. In addition to the above queries, I beg to be instructed,

How I may find my tongue in company?

How I may drink wine without-

having the head-ache?

How I may fucceed when I want to borrow money?

How I may walk up a room full of people; for I intend to go to the affemblies as foon as I have got the freps?

How to fwear commendably?

How I may court to advantage; as I want a wife, but am afraid to alk the

question?

And, laftly, How I may get rid of my unhappy complaint? and, Whether you advise Bark, Steel Lozenges, Sea Bathing, or Velnos' Vegetable Syrup, by way of corroborants? or, Whether I am, in your opinion, altogether an incurable?

Your early attention to the above

will oblige,

Yours ever,

BARNABY BASHFUL.
Maidenhead, Sept. 10, 1802.

## ADVICE TO A YOUNG MAN ON HIS ARRIVAL IN LONDON.

BY A MERCHANT.

You are now arrived in the most celebrated City in the World; a Commercial Emporium, "speckled with all complexions of mankind, and spotted with all crimes."

Here, young man, you will be exposed to innumerable temptations. On your circumspection or carelessness at the outset depends the happiness of

your life.

You have chosen the employment of a Merchant: it is a respectable, an honourable avocation; and the bussel of business will probably, for some time, prevent you from being attracted by the amusements of the town. When leisure permits, you will naturally wish to gratify your curiosity by visiting public places, particularly the Theatres. Youthful companions will harry you to the tavern; and although an abstemious course of life may be impracticable in this elegant and luxurious metropolis, yet it would be advisable to adhere as much as possible to the precepts of temperance.

Beware with whom you affociate. Your youth, and the comeliness of your person, will inevitably expose you to the seductive arts of licentious beauty; but if you permit the Circean cup of voluptuousness to touch your lips, dissipation, disease, and death, await you!

The frantic orgies of the tavern is another baneful defroyer of the health and morals of young men. Enchanted with the wit and gaiety of his companions, the tyro in debauchery is afhamed of his infined decency. He foon learns to drink, twear, utter an obscene jett with an arch air, and sport a few guineas at the gaming table. The tavern is a preparative for the brothel, till a ruined constitution, and the stings of remorse, render his existence an in-

fupportable torment.

In order to avoid fuch wretchedness, my friend, let your companions of both fexes be virtuous and refined; attend to your business with assiduity; obey the simple precepts of morality; and your reward will beriches and honours, health of body, and serenity of mind.

AMICUS.

#### MEMOIRS OF THE LATE FOHN RANDALL. ESO.

MR. JOHN RANDALL was the younger fon of a respectable Ship-builder at Rotherhithe, who having, by perfevering industry and integrity, raised a considerable fortune, was delirous of giving his children such an education as should fit them for entering into a wider sphere of life than that in which he himself had walked. The early loss of his elder fon ferved to strengthen these liberal purposes in regard of the remaining one, who, after receiving the usual instruction of a school, was placed under the tuition of the venerable Dr. Price and Mr. Dentham. From these able and justly-eminent men he received the rudiments of those moral qualities, which afterwards, through the course of life, procured to him that unbounded confidence which all who were connected with him in business soon perceived they might fecurely place in him, and that warm and affectionate attachment which he experienced on the part of his intimate friends.

Until the age of twenty, or later, Mr. Randall's mind was therefore wholly directed to literary studies, which had already formed his tafte, and rendered him an elegant scholar; when, on the death of his father, he found himself unexpectedly called on to devote a portion of his time to the investigation of numerous and complicated accompts, relative to the extensive concern in which his father had been engaged. However difficult this novel talk might appear to him, he undertook it with alacrity, and in consequence of the perfect view which he acquired of the subject, he formed the truly laudable resolution of relinquishing the ornamental pursuits of life for the useful purpose of continuing and conducting his hereditary bufinets.

Fortunately gifted by Nature with a capacity of directing his mind to any object which he thought it his duty to purfue, he had no fooner fettled his plan, than he vigoroufly applied him felf to the means of its accomplishment. In order more effectually to bring within his reach the ready arrangement of multifarious accompts with which such a concern is necessarily

loaded, he entered on a diligent course of mathematical studies, and of such of the higher branches of arithmetic as he perceived bore a relation to his art; and in both these sciences he is said to have attained a more than ordinary proficiency.

In the examination and settlement of his father's affairs, some difficulties arose, which by his perseverance and prudence he ably furmounted; and thus early warned, he never afterwards omitted to keep the whole of his various concerns under the strictest and clearest regulations.

Having fully established the regular methods of his business, he continued his professional studies, with unwearied attention, for many years, and proceeded so far as to have collected materials for a Treatife on the Improvement of Naval Architecture; but the publication, in France, of some works which he thought had in a great measure forestalled his design, prevented the continuation of his literary efforts. The advances, however, which he had made in science, convinced him that much yet remained to be added by theoretic knowledge to the ordinary practice of his profession, and he not only exerted the utmost diligence in procuring and imparting fuch communications as promifed advantage to maritime science, but took a most active part in all the transactions of this country which have been directed to the same end.

On the institution of the Society for the Improvement of NAVAL ARCHI-TECTURE, he materially affifted its establishment, both by personal attention and by advancing feveral hundred pounds towards the promotion of its laudable purposes.

In the whole time during which he conducted his bufiness, there were built at his Docks

50 Ships of War, and other Vessels for Government.

31 Indiamen, and 60 Merchant Vessels;

nor should it pass unnoticed, that during the American war, when the reduced state of the Navy of this country demanded the utmost exertions to raise it to its wonted pre-eminence, Mr. Randall completed for Government 35,000 tons of shipping: an extraordinary quantity, when considered with reference to the limits of a private Dock-yard.

By a strict and judicious economy of time, Mr. Randall was enabled to fulfil his respective duties to his family and the Public; and to enjoy all the delights which Friendship, Literature, and Classical Studies could afford him. Music also, in its turn, formed a subordinate part of his amusements, and, under the instructions of the celebrated Cervetto, he had made himself a competent performer on the violoncello. It will fcarcely be allowed possible for one man to acquit himself equally well in studies and pursuits so opposite in their nature and tendency; but fuch was the force and steadiness of his mind, that amidst the variety of these occupations, from fome of which he derived his chief amusement and delight, he was never, in any fingle instance, led to deviate from the observance of that accuracy and punctuality by which he had at first regulated the conduct of his mercantile concerns.

After the sketch thus given of the progress of his life, it is our painful task to make a brief mention of its melancholy termination.

As he had, with the most judicious liberality, confented to the augmentation of his Shipwright's wages, during the overflow of business occasioned by the late war, he thought it equally confishent with justice, that, at the return of peace, their gains should likewise return to a standard corresponding to his actual contracts for ships on the stocks, and to such as he should make for the building of ships in future. With these proposals the Shipwrights refused to comply; and Mr.

Randall, after many and long trials, finding them obitinately deaf to entreaty or remonstrance, determined to apply to the Admiralty for leave to bring workmen from the King's Yards at Deptford at the usual rates of labour, in order to enable him to complete the contracts he had entered into with the East India Owners \*. This request not only received the affent of the Government, but offers were likewise made to him of fending fuch military aid as he might think requisite to the prevention of violence on the part of the mal-contents. He revolted at any supposition that force could be necessary, in order to protect industry in the performance of its duty. The new workmen arrived : but the rage and desperation of the former Shipwrights, who had, with concerted resolutions, wholly feceded from any offers of fervice, were fo inflamed by the fuccess of this meafure, that they declared their intention of opposing the new comers by violence, and of driving them from the yards. A body, confifting of three or four hundred of these men, accordingly marched to Mr. Randall's Yard, feized all those workmen whom their menaces failed to deter, and, conveying them by force from the Docks, fent them away in chaifes previously stationed for that purpose.

It was in this moment of tumult that Mr. Randall entered the Dock-yard. He flew instantly to meet the disturbers of legal peace and private freedom, and, with his accustomed humanity, employed every argument of reason and friendly admonition to bring them back to a just sense of their duty and of their own interest. But he was unable to put a stop to their outrage, and, after the most anxious, but ineffectual, efforts, he returned to town, disprited and dejected at the total failure of his

hopes.

The premeditated injustice of these Shipwrights will be manifest to every impartial mind, when the nature of a Shipbuilder's contracts is understood.—With the Navy Board he is bound in a penalty that the ship contracted for shall be launched at a certain time; with those who build ships for the service of the Fast India Company, he is bound to launch at a given time also, or, 'in the event of sailure, to have the ship thrown upon his hands. Conformably to these conditions, he makes his agreement with the Shipwrights, who, after proceeding with the work until the whole be nearly completed, when the claims of the Navy Board and East India Company become pressing, have, in a variety of instances (and fatally in the present one), taken advantage of this moment of necessity, and struck their work. The Builder must then either submit to exorbitant demands, or suffer in one contract the forseiture of the penalty, and in the other the rejection of the ship.

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The acitation of his mind on this occasion, the sense of the danger which menaced his own concerns and those of his family, as well as of the mischief which must necessarily fall on the deluded men who had thus forfeited every privilege of confidence, preyed forcibly upon his spirits, and he had scarcely reached his home, when he was feized with a delirious fever. The immediate attendance of a Phylician alleviated the first symptoms of this dreadful diforder, and he was apparently better the next day; but, on the enfuing morning, a returning paroxylin baffled the powers of medicine, and put aperiod to the earthly existence of this valuable man. He died in the 48th year of his age, leaving a wife and two daughters to deplore his lofs. Those who, after more than twenty years of uninterrupted happiness, have bent under fimilar afflicting dispensations, will belt fympathize with the forrows of the former. To the latter it is an unspeakable consolation, that a mother is yet spared to them, who, unvariably amiable and admirable in her conduct, is at once the example and the reward of domestic virtue. Happy it is for them all, in this hour of diffress, that they have learned to place a reliance on the good providence of God, and know how to commit themselves unto him as unto a faithful Creator.

These are the documents which we are enabled to communicate respecting Mr. Randall's life. His character might be discriminately learned from contemplating the real forrow of his numerous affociates who attended the last solemn rites paid to their friend. There are few men to whom the triumph of worth is allowed without fome accompanying fensation of envy; but to him, who, that knew him, was not willing to concede it unalloyed? He was actively benevolent to many, without assumption of importance from the favours he conferred, or oftentation of the pains he fo readily employed in their fervice. He was humble, innocent, of a warm and generous heart, easily moved to anger, and as eafily softened to pity. Each one, who wept over his grave, was conscious that he had, in the intercourse of life, met with men of more daring energies, of powers of mind more concentrative, and of faculties more eminently comprehensive; but of that love of our kind, of that benevolence which binds man to man, a more forcible instance could not present itself to their thoughts.

Of the strength and cultivation of his talents, the biographical account of Mr. Collins, which appeared some years since in our Magazine, furnishes no discreditable specimen. It is an useful lesson, conveyed in a pleasing, ingenious manner, and demonstrating the value of a judicious application of time to the purposes of comfort, social utility, and contentment. But Mr. Randall's praise is of a higher order.

When a benefit was to be conferred, or a misfortune averted, no instant was lost in commencing the execution of his ever ready purpose, and the zeal of his disposition allowed him no moment of remission, till it was effectually completed. To a mind tinctured with superstition, it would seem, from the restless assiduity of his hours, that he entertained a previous sense of their haltening period, of the premature interruption his benevolent designs were

to undergo.

The virtuous Emperor Marcus Antoninus has left a fingular record of the feveral excellent qualities he had learned from his discriminate valuation of various individuals. Those who desire to look into the world with a fimilar aim, might have found in Mr. Randall's character what would certainly add to the stock of their virtues. they were to draw an example from his conduct in life (and there are few above the reach of such an example), they would imitate the alert Vigilance to which he had habituated his mind in the performance of duties, whether pleafing or painful; and if they could add, from his mass, one quality to enrich the treasures of the foul, as the Indians believe they can take possession of the virtues of their deceased companions, they would transplant to their own bosoms the Philanthropic Participation of another's joys and forrows, which gave, not only to his words, but to his very thoughts, the same mental tone and colour that he perceived prevailing in the object of his folicitude, and taught him, as it were, to vibrate to its feelings. They would with to obtain that unhesitating affection, that heart-expanding charity, that generous profusion of friendly warmth, which, forbidding him to confine his kindness to any, endeared him to all.

In the relations of Husband and C c 2 FATHER.

FATHER, the pious fufferings of his family can belt speak his worth. In that of FRIEND, those who were once so happy as to share his regard, experienced to regular and constant proofs of its continuance, fo strict a discharge of those kindly duties which always attend on virtuous friendthip, that they could fafely recline on him in the moments when confolation was wanted, and receive delight from him in those which were allotted to the enjoyment of rational and cheerful intercourse. As one of these, the writer of this feels a deplorable chaim now made in his life, of which the future hours (even if, fortunately, passed amidst those dear remaining companions whom the affectionate influence of the deceased had collected and united) wear, in prospect, the gloomy hue of infufficiency and difcomfort.

Such was the man who, in the strength of life, his mind open to every influence of science and truth, and his heart to every fentiment of piety and huma nity, funk a victim to the ingratitude of those, whose fortunes he had \* estab lished, whose well-being he had for tered, and whose real interest he had never deserted. Those unhappily misguided men will long have cause to remember, that their tumultuary conduct has deprived them of him who, during a fluctuating course of prosperous and adverse times, maintained towards them the fame steady, unvarying tenor of protection and support; who at one particular period, when he found himself wholly unemployed, either by the Government or by individuals, devifed schemes of work, of which the writer of this account can bear witness that the chief aim was to create a temporary provision for the numerous Shipwrights belonging to his docks, whose services, he said, had contributed to raise his fortunes, and whom, therefore, he would not forsake or turn adrift in the hour of their need. For these men he was content not only to suspend his profits, but even to diminish his capital, in the just considence that when different circumstances should arise, their exertions would amply reward his affectionate care.

Of the melancholy reverse of his expectations, as many of those men as are endowed with honest natural feelings will bear the recollection deeply engrafted amidst the regrets of their bosoms; and that one who dared, in the hour of tumult (if it be possible that such were the fact), to lift his hand against his benefactor, may know that, although he dealt no deadly, or even dangerous blow, he gave a satal wound to that peaceful and benevolent spirit; and may take home to his conscience the indelible reproach of having hastened the dissolution of his best and

constant friend.

(Our admiration of the amiable character of Mr. Randall, who has left a very numerous class of friends to lament his loss, had induced us to hope that we might have been able to present a PORTRAIT of him to the Public, in addition to the foregoing Memoir; but the delicacy of a near and dear relative hath hitherto opposed an obstacle to our intention; and we respect her feelings too much to be importunate on the subject.)

### THE DISCIPLE OF J. J. ROUSSEAU.

DISCONTENTED with the picture which fociety affords, Maurice, for whom it had fo many charms, began to be difgusted with it. He was convinced of the illusion of the flattering representation fermed by his imagination, at the age of twenty. When he entered the world, he heard from every quarter the language of benevolence, in every look he read the expression of affection. He was over-

whelmed, as it were, with offers of fervice, with protestations of attachment. Politeness, affability, embellished every countenance. At twenty-five the charm vanished; he then imagined he saw nothing but falsehood, malice, jealousy, crimes, and odious passions. Maurice has gone from one excess to the other. He is mistaken now as he was mistaken before.

To reconcile him with mankind, I.

\* This appears from the fund which they have amassed from the furplus of their wages, and which it is known they have applied to the purposes of ungenerous resistance to their employers.

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the other day, proposed a little excurfion of about forty miles from Paris. He agreed to it, upon my promiting to take him to a misanthropist of the most gloomy disposition, to whom he might communicate all his unfavourable sen-

timents of mankind.

We therefore took the road to Fontainoleau, where we arrived on the evening of the 12th of May. We had still ten miles to go. It was one of those delightful spring days when na ture, blooming and gay, embellished with the sun's lustre, presents to the eye of fenfibility an enchanting spectacle. The earth exhaled a healthfraught odour: a multitude of trees in flower mingled with it their delightful perfumes. The more backward oak had not yet expanded all his leaves; but the early birch already waved its aerial foliage, and the elegant acacia dropped from its branches feltoons of a delicate green. The vigilant lark, almost motionless in the 1ky faluted our ears with his melodious notes, the presage of a fine day. If Maurice had quarrelled with mankind, he had not with nature. We proceeded without either uttering a word, and in a continual ecstacy. When enjoying the grand spectacle of nature, there is at first no room for reflections; the faculty of thinking feems for a time fuspended. One feels, the heart experiences a delicious intoxication: this is the feast prepared by Nature.

We arrived between two hills covered with trees, near a rivulet, whose meandering course we followed, keeping along a hedge planted on its banks. Upon the two hills we observed umbrageous thickets, groves, clumps of trees, and grey rocks, which heightened the beauty of the verdure. Farther on was a mill; its wheel was motionless, and the dam diminished the current of the rivulet. We advanced in filence: the hills foon approach, join, are confounded in each other, and in the angle which they form we perceive a charming habitation fituated between two beautiful streamlets shaded by ancient trees, which the axe has respected. This was the limit of our walk. This rural abode is the afylum of happiness, of virtue, of friendship; it is the retreat of a sage whose peaceful days are spent remote from ambition and its illusions, far from the deceitful passions and their empty pro-

mifes.

We entered. We were told that the owners were absent, but that they would soon return. Whilst waiting for them, we took a survey of the apartment into which we had been introduced. It was a room of moderate fize, with three windows looking towards the valley. The eye ranged over meadows through which it traced all the ferpentine meanders of the rivulet. Over the verdure of the dale rose the mill, whose wheel, causey, and small canal, were diffinguishable.

In the interior, the furniture was elegantly simple; no gilding, no luxury; they contribute not to the happi-

ness of life.

Over the chimney-piece were feen the instrument which shews the time, and the builts of those who knew how to make the best use of it. In front was an open piano, on which a fonata of Steibelt and some symphonies of Haydn proved, that in this charming retreat the most amiable of arts was cultivated. At this fight, Maurice gave me an expressive look, which feemed to fay that I had deceived him -But the arrival of the proprietors prevented any reproach, any explanation.

We were welcomed with that affability that cannot be mistaken. Mere politeness frequently uses the same language as benevolence, but the accent is not the same, and the heart knows how to make the distinction. This family is composed of M. de L. about forty-five years of age, his wife, a daughter entering upon her eighteenth spring, and a child of ten years.

"Here," faid I, presenting Maurice, " is a friend almost disgusted with life, drenched with the cup of bitterness, irritated at the injustice of mankind. and whom I have taken the liberty to bring hither to reconcile him with the species." A few pleasantries passed on the youth of the misanthropist: they feemed to fay to him, But you

have yet feen nothing!

M. de L. whom I know intimately, was the fon of that Mad. de L. to whom Rousseau wrote several letters, fome of which are inferted in the collection of his works. An enthusiastic admirer of the author of Emilius, this tender mother had herself nursed her only child. As a recompence for this duty, so sweet in the fulfilment, Rousfeau gave her a lace he himfelf had made, and which is most carefully pre-

ferved. This lady was one of those who for the greatest length of time maintained a connection with Jean Jacques, through the medium of her child, whom he was always rejoiced to see, being fond of children. He had in some measure directed his education. M. de L. was eighteen years old when he lost his Mentor. Educated according to his advice, he had been taught the turner's bussiness. At twenty-five M. de L. fixed his choice, married without listening to prudential considerations, and was happy.

Family reasons, to which he had the weakness to yield, and persecutions, compelled him to leave France at the moment when emigration had become an epidemic disorder, and before it was justified by events. M. de L. thought himself obliged to follow the torrent. He was still ignorant that the man who takes up arms against his country cannot acquire glory, even if triumphant. He foon perceived that intrigue, vanity, and passion, continued to reign at the fugitive court. Abandoning it to its fate, and resolving to take no part in the quarrel, he fettled, with his wife and daughter, in a village of Prussia, where he maintained himself by his trade. He then perceived the propriety of his matter's doctrine on the subject of making man independent on fortune. Intelligent, clever, industrious, he was foon able, by his labour, to support his family; and the shop of the French toy-man had the most cuftomers. The love of his country brought him back to France, about two years ago, as foon as tranquillity was restored. His immense estates had been all fold: nothing was left him but the fmall farm where we were, which belonged to his wife.

This is briefly the history of M. de L. It contains, as we have seen, no great events; but the picture of his opinions is more interesting, and we shall present a sketch of them to the reader.

Almost all the maxims of Jean Jacques were encaved on his nemory, on his heart. He never spoke but with the utmost veneration of that extraordinary man, whose singularities he explained.

"The perfecutions," faid he to us, which Rouffeau had experienced, caufed him to read an expression of hatred in eve y countenance; and what he dreaded above all things was to meet any one that knew him. Be-

ing one day in a stage-coach from Paris towards Montmorency, one of his fellow-travellers called him by his name. Rousseau made an excuse for stopping, got down from the coach, and returned the same way without saying a single word, or taking any notice of the coachman, who called after him.

"Like you," faid M. de L. addreffing himself to our misanthropist, "like you, I was early prejudiced against fociety; I did not love, although I had no reason to complain of it. These prejudices were instilled into me by Jean Jacques, in whom they were more excusable than in any other man. He frequently faid to me, that in focial man there were two quite distinct individuals; the man of nature, and the man formed by fociety. The more, continued he, we preserve the gifts lavithed upon us by the former, the better we are. The more we lose them to substitute in their stead the pernicious favours of fociety, of the less value we are. By means of this distinction he pretended to explain all our contradictions. It is to him I owe my principles on happiness, and confequently happiness itself. What constitutes the basis of it is that inward content produced by a conscience pure and free, not only from crimes and faults, but even from culpable defires. Defire and envy almost always accompany each other. If a man defires the fituation held by another, he is not long before he confequently envies him: thus arifes already a painful fentiment, which must disturb his tranquillity. By continually dwelling on this idea, he finds himself disposed, almost without perceiving it, to wish for some event that may render the fituation vacant, to calculate even the favourable chances, the probabilities on which hope is founded. He is impatient, he accuses Time of delay, he implores Fortune, forgetful that there is behind him another envious man, making the fame complaints, forming the same wishes. But suppose him posfessed of the employ, the sole object of his defires, will he ftop there? What limits has ambition? Has it ever been feen to fix bounds for itself, and to respect them? No. He will see above him some other person, whose merit he will analyse; and the result of this examination will cause him to conclude that he has at least equal merit, and

rights as well founded as the other; and he will again enter the circle of envy, of calculation, of intrigue, never more to leave it. These reflections are justified by experience, and I acquired it at my own expence. I therefore haltened to quit my employments, and thought myself more happy in frequenting the brilliant focieties of the capital. But, alas! what is called pleafure is little deferving of the name. Will you give it to entertainments. where you yawn at a vast expence; to splendid exhibitions, where you are fatigued in the most ceremonious style? Let us admit that there happiness is not to be found. It was in my toy-shop that I first began to enjoy it. Continually employed with my labour, when I grew tired I thought of my family, of its wants, and that idea gave me fresh courage. In short, it was here, in this retirement, that I became completely happy. Here I give way, without fear, to the tenderest emotions. I employ myself with the education of my children: Anna derives from her mother her virtues and her abilities; my fon Theodore will owe to me a love of labour, a found judgment in a robust body."

M, de L. was still speaking, when his fon entered. He was a child of ten years, who appeared to be fourteen. He had in his hand a small cup of box wood, which he had just made with his father's turning lathe. "In the education of my son," said M. de L. "I follow Rousseau's precepts. I smile at the malice with which some of those precepts are selected in order to condemn the author. I sincerely pity the father wholoses his children by the use of the cold bath; but he murmurs at Rousseau whilst he ought only to

accuse himself. Any medicine is salutary only from the combination of a certain number of substances. Each feparately may perhaps be a poilon. I do not contend that Jean Jacques was never wrong in his principles of education; but I am confident that an affectionate and prudent father will know how to distinguish error, and will never be the victim of it. Amongst the enemies of Jean Jacques you fee no mothers, you observe very few fathers: they are almost all fystematic celibatists who never tasted an infant's endearing caresses. This remark is worthy of fome attention."

Maurice was ferious; whilst contemplating the happiness of M. de L. his dislike to fociety became still stronger. M. de L. guessed it, and said to him, " It is not surprising that you do not love fociety; but you are not permitted to hate the individuals that compose it. Most of them possess virtues which appear only in the bosom of their families. In frequenting the company of civilized men, when their interest or business call them together, you would indeed be tempted to believe that every one left his honesty, his virtue, at home, and brought with him into focial intercourse nothing but distrust and dissimulation. It is, therefore, the interior of families, and not focieties, that one ought to visit. A real milanthropitt is a character to be pitied; you must avoid becoming a mifanthropist."

But we were obliged to leave this abode of happiness; the invitation given us to return thither often diminished the pain of our regret; and I perceived that the lovely Anna had perhaps still more than M. de L. reconciled Maurice with mankind.

#### ANECDOTE OF THE LATE DUKE OF CUMBERLAND.

His Royal Highness was some years ago at Newmarket; and just before the horses started he missed his pocket-book, containing some bank notes. When the knowing-ones came about him, and offered him several betts, he said, "He had lost his money already, and could not afford to venture any more that day." The horse which the Duke had intended to back was distanced; so he consoled himself that the loss of his pocket-book was only a temporary evil, as he should have paid

away as much, had he betted, to the Worthies of the Turf. The race was no fooner finished, than a veteran half-pay Officer presented his Royal Highness with his pocket-book, saying, he found it near the stand, but had not an opportunity of approaching himbefore. The Duke generously replied, "I am glad it has fallen into such good hands; keep it; had it not been for this accident, it would have been by this time dispersed among the black legs and thieves of Newmarket."

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QUID SIT PULCHRUM, QUID TURPE, QUID UTILE, QUID NON.

A Journey from Edinburgh through Parts of North Britain: containing Remarks on Scottish Landscape; and Observations on Rural Economy, Natural History, Manufastures, Trade, and Commerce; interspersed with Anecdotes, Traditional, Literary, and Historical; together with Biographical Sketches, relating chiefly to Civil and Ecclesiastical Assars, from the Twelfth Century down to the present Time. In Two Volumes, embellished with Forty-Four Engravings, from Drawings made on the Spot, of the Lake, River, and Mountain Scenery of Scotland. By Alexander Campbell. 4to.

E have not for a long time met with a literary work comprising such varied and ample information on pleasing, interesting, and instructive subjects, as the present; in which Mr. Campbell alternately displays the talents of an artist and an antiquary, of a biographer and a poet, of a farmer, a botanist, and an historian; and so inartificially does he introduce the several topics on which he professes to treat, as greatly to enhance the pleasure of the reader who accompanies him in his Tour.

It appeared to our Author, notwithstanding the numerous writers that of late have dirested their attention to the examination of the antiquities, natural history, peculiar customs and manners, of the northern section of our island, that many things had escaped their diligence of research, which a native intimately acquainted with the classic ground and historical incidents thereto belonging (as well as with many traditionary particulars about to fink into that oblivion from which they are now fnatched), might have it in his power to examine more at leifure than any franger, how accurate foever, traverfing halfily the various districts here described. In collecting materials, he tells us, he has spared neither time nor labour; and toward a proper selection and arrangement of what he deemed most interesting and valuable, he has done all in his power.

That the flyle of Mr. Campbell's diction is varied as the variation of subjects requires, we shall show in the following extracts, selected at random:

" Of the superstition of the ancient Celts, many have given an account. Of late, superstition has evidently de. clined in the Highlands and Western Islands of Scotland. This can be accounted for in many ways, but chiefly by reason of the propagation of the reformed religion, and the constant communication of the low country with the highland diffricts. Formerly (and remains are yet observable) the superstitious rites of our highlanders confisted of a strange heterogeneous mixture of Pagan, Popilh, Protestant. and even fabulous observances, ludicrous in the extreme. To illustrate this remark by a few examples.

"It is maintained by all moralists and divines, that religion is natural to the human race. The politician, availing himself of this universally-received maxim, holds it up as a self-evident proposition, and connects religion with civil establishments,—hence the union of Church and State. Anxiety about the future, and a dread of a somewhat inexplicable as incomprehensible, seem the foundation of gloomy superstition. In rude stages of society, doubt and impenetrable obscurity, with respect to events placed beyond the power of human prudence to controul or com-

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mand, lead the mind involuntarily captive, by the chain of gross superstition, and debilitating fears which render the votary susceptible of the wildest delusions of supernatural mystery, and the dupe of the most extravagant pretensions of priestcraft. In almost every fection of the globe, fet forms rea fembling more or less the ceremonies of what is handed down to us as ancient Druidism, are mentioned as having been univerfally prevalent in the more remote periods of fociety. feems (as if inherent in the human mind) that man delights in being deceived. Hence the magic of the Druids gave place to the no less diabolical mysticisms of popish superstition. That the one was grafted on the other, most philosophers agree. To the Druids succeeded the earlier missionaries of the gospel; and one set of errors, through the imbecility of the credulous, obtained in the place of others but little less palpable.'

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" Notwithstanding the diffusion of the gospel, to which cause its ministers attribute the fall of heathenish, and, in great measure, popish superstition, a belief in spectres, witches, fairies, brounies, and hobgoblins, is not altogether extinguished in many parts of the Highlands and Western Isles. The old people feem greatly puzzled, and even shocked, at the infidelity of the young, and fee with the utmost concern their favourite doctrines vanish as the dawn of reason advances. They lift up their eyes to heaven, and figh, deeply concerned for their degenerate offspring.

Religious persecution was never heard of in the Highlands; and abstract speculations can hardly get footing where superstition is so strangely mingled with positive institutions and established observances;—the poor are more solicitous about the present than the future; and the richer sort of persons are too indolent, and too much devoted to pleasure, to trouble themselves farther than to secure the momentary joy, and the repose which a rude voluptuous race delight in.

"The vast change which within the last fifty years the inhabitants of the districts north of the Grampians have undergone, is hardly to be paralleled in the history of the human race.—Averse from sedentary habits, wherein

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cool application and patient industry lead to reputation and reward, the quick, clear apprehensions of the highlander found little relish for the refinements of civilized fociety and abstract speculations, and as little for the plodding drudgery of commercial employments, or any of the liberal professions, in which he is to be chained down for life. Personal activity was his delight. To face danger, regardless of hazard the most formidable, was to him mere pastime; and to acquire fame in arms, constituted the chief object of his devotion at the shrine of honour. The profound policy of the late Lord Chatham, in availing himself of this propensity, is among the chief character-istics of that illustrious statesman's administration. But the system which he adopted gave a new and unexpected bias to the mind of the Highlander. He no fooner went abroad into the world, than he found of what confequence he was to the state. The defire of riches awakened in his foul ambition and a thirst of power. The meanest peasant's fon faw, with a heart palpitating with joy, that rank and fortune were, by a happy train of circumstances, placed within his reach; and that one day he might have it in his power to return home, and vie with the proud Chieftain himself in all the pomp and splendour of foreign climes, in ease and affluence. Hence we may observe the dawn of that change so remarkable in the highlands of Scotland. Freed from hereditary jurisdiction, protected by the laws, and fensible of that portion of freedom which has even reached thus far northward, the poorest highlander is now impressed with an idea of his individual consequence to the community, and feeks emolument and honour beyound his native boundary, where he had been fecluded from the great world, which he fo much longed to fee and take an active part in. If he be driven from his native valley by others somewhat more opulent, and greedy of possessing a greater portion of land than himself, he is cheered with the fond hope of returning with riches sufficient to purchase what formerly he was, on account of his poverty, obliged to relinquish; and thus he may, in his turn, dispose of the fate of those who were the means of making it necessary for him to become the architect of his own fortune.

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"Whether, on the whole, emigration may not contribute to the advancement of human happiness, to the extension of commercial intercourse, and to the diffusion of knowledge and the useful arts, is a consideration left to those whose province it is to regulate the grand interests of civilized life; but to be driven from home by oppression, under whatever denomination it be felt, is an evil from which it is natural to hope for relief by change of situation, at a distance where the prospect of bettering our condition allures, and the hope of fuccess invites to a new and less precarious establishment.

· " Within the last half century, the staple commodity of the Highlands and Western Islands was black cattle; but now sheep have banished cattle; and would to heaven men had not shared the same fate! The Hebrew shepherds were not holden in greater detestation among those nations whom they drove out from their paternal inheritance, than, till lately, the lowcountry shepherds were among the Highlanders; and every thing that belonged to a hepherd's life was held in atter abhorrence, and confidered as beneath the dignity of a man to interfere in: quite opposite ideas however now generally prevail; even the gentleman of family and condition deigns to act the part of a thepherd; and the pattoral life, at one time the occupation of the lowest of the people, is likely to become as respectable as when David the fon of Jelle followed his father's sheep ere he had afcended the throne of Saul the fon of Kith, who, while in quest of his father's affes, was anointed king over Ifrael, being thus raifed from the meanest of the people, to be ruler over them. Such are the changes in human affairs; and firch in all likelihood, tho' not precifely to the same extent, eventually may take place in the wilds of North Britain !

"The spirit of speculation has spread rapidly from valley to valley.

An epidemic madness for sheep grazing seems to rage with unabating fury. Rents within the last ten years have advanced beyond all former calculation; most parts of the Highlands are under sheep; and the country has become desolate and almost drained of its native inhabitants. If this alarms not the state, there is little hope of a stop being put to emigrations from the

Highlands and Western Islands.—Whence will our armies be recruited? Where shall we find mariners to man our Navy, the bulwark of our island, the neglect of which would endanger our existence as a free, independent nation? If our sisheries perish through depopulation, and our mountains and vallies be peopled with thepherds, instead of the hardy race of our Scottish highlanders, what will be the consequence?

"Both fides of Loch-tay have experienced more than once the emigration of their inhabitants; and it is much to be feared, that another, more numerous than any hitherto known, is, from circumstances too delicate to be touched on, about to take place, unless prompt and conciliatory measures be adopted to mitigate the grievances (real or supposed it matters not) of which the Braidalbane people loudly

complain. --

"A fet of more contented and thriving tenantry than were to be found on the valt demefines of the Braidalbane family hardly existed any where, till a change of system (which commenced in the life-time of the late Earl, who all acknowledge was a good landlord,) reduced the poorer tenants, the offspring of former vassas, either to emigrate, or toil year after year on the sterile saces of these superiors mountains, in order to make up a rent exacted with the utmost rigour, whatever became of their live stock, their wives, and their children. Is this oppression?

"The diffurbances that lately took place in Rofs-shire were occasioned by converting a number of small farms into a few extensive sheep-walks. Upwards of thirty poor families, each of whom had inherited the fmall Duchas from father to fon, without interruption, for many generations, were turned adrift on the world, and their possessions let to shepherds who had come from a distant part of the kingdom. Was it any wonder then, that, in the first paroxysms of disappointment and despair, these wretched wanderers, ere they took their departure from the scene of their nativity and earlier part of life, committed unwarrantable excesses, which indignation prompted, and which reason, appalled, knew not how to expiate? The law of the land violated, established order broken, what was to be done? Shall

it be recorded, that these deluded wretches suffered the punishment due to their crimes! What strange infatuation is it that binds the Highlander to the heath-clad wilds through which he fo fondly delights to wander? Early affociations, habit, and, above all, ignorance of a more fruitful foil and more genial climate, may, in part, account for so irrelistible an inclination to remain on the spot on which he first drew breath. Of this propensity, why should such cruel advantage be taken, as to raise the price to so enormous a pitch, for permission to toil for a miserable sublistence? It is afferted, that the more the Highland. er's rent is advanced, the more dili. gently will he strive to realize it; and that thus the full value of these barren waltes is secured to the owners, while the riches of the community are angmented. It may be so; but, surely, this is buying one's comforts at a dear rate, to fay no worse of it.

"Several judicious hints have been thrown out with regard to putting a stop to the evil consequences of rackrent, as it is called, in the Highlands and Western Islands. These hints, however, have shared the face of such effutions as philanthropy fuggelts, and rapacity fmiles at, while fecure in its exactions, fanctioned by authority, and supported by the laws. It appears, then, that it refts with the Legislature to redress the grievances here pointed out; and let the hope be indulged, that the day is not far distant, when a British Senate will deliberate on the best means of preventing emigrations from the highlands of Scotland.'

After some interesting remarks on Macbeth's castle of Dunsinnan, and the sate of "Besty Bell and Mary Gray," we find the following incidents relative to Parkers and the same sate of the same sa

to Ruthven castle.

"The next place deferving of a visit is Ruthwen Cassle, or, as it is now called, Huntingtower, the residence of the un fortunate samily of Gowrie. All around this ancient edifice has an air of solemn grandeur, somewhat formal and gloomy. The avenues leading to it are in straight lines, formed of tall and aged trees, agreeably to the taste of the times in which they were planted. Two passages of history are connected with Ruthven cassle, the one traditional, and the other well known by a transaction which took place in the year 1532, denominated by our

Scottish historians "The Raid of Rulb-ven." The former piece of history carries with it an air of the marvellous: and is shortly as follows: Ruthven house consists of two square towers, joined now by less elevated buildings. The interval between the towers is called "The Maiden's leap," from, as it is faid, a daughter of the first Earl of Gowrie having, in the fear of discovery, leaped from the top of the one tower to the top of the other, a space of more than three yards, over a chasin fixty feet in depth. This young lady, according to report, was tenderly beloved by a youth, her inferior in rank and fortune: yet love, that knows no. diffin Stion but the charms it pants after, and is covetous of nothing fave the defigned object, induced her to contrive means for entertaining her lover in the full enjoyment of mutual affec. tion. It happened, however, that our lovers were suspected, and eventually betrayed. Little dreading the embarraffment of an unpropitious discovery, one night, as they lay secure, as they thought, in each other's arms, the blushing maid, hearing her mother's footsteps as she ascended the stair, with a presence of mind and resolution fearcely credible, sprang from her lover's arms, flew with the swiftness of a dove across the leads of the tower, darted from the battlements of the one tower to those of the other, and stole softly and unperceived into her own apartment. The surprise, shame, and agreeable disappointment of the mother when the perceived the error into which she had been led, can be easier conceived than described. Haftening to her daughter's bed-chamber, she found her, to appearance, locked fast in the arms of sleep! An experiment of the kind just related was not to be repeated by the enamoured fair one, nor could the lovers live separate. They eloped, and were married: and next night passed, free from apprehenfion, in the full confummation of their mutual defires.

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"The Raid of Rutbven," fo called from the circumstance of James VI. (on his return from Athol,) being invited by William Earl of Gowrie to enjoy his favourite amusement hunting, makes a distinguished era in the history of the reign of that monarch. James, finding himself encompassed in a manner he least expected, and alarmed at the number of strangers that he ob-

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ferved around him, having in his own train a force inadequate to any fudden emergency, had recourse to prudence; and, concealing his apprehension, with an easy air of cheerfulness and gaiety he talked of nothing but hunting and fubjects connected with the pleasures of the field; thinking, by these means, to elude any defign of feizing his perfon, and to embrace the first favourable moment for making his escape. business of the next day being agreed on, the King, early in the morning, as he was about to rife, to his amazement found his bed-chamber filled with the nobles who were in the fecret of his detention at Ruthven castle. The astonished monarch demanded the reason of this intrusion; when the nobles in a body presented a memorial, wherein were contained remonstrances against certain alleged illegal and oppressive actions of the Duke of Lennox and the Earl of Arran, two of the King's intimate friends and known advisers \*. The malk thus thrown off by the conspirators, did not induce his majesty to act equally open : on the contrary, he seemed to ponder these weighty affairs in his mind, and, with well-feigned condescension, expressed a desire to proceed immediately to Edinburgh: but, on being rudely stopped by the " Maister of Glamis," the timid James burst into tears. " Better children weep +, than bearded men," faid Glamis, with a fierce look and audacious tone; which words thrilled through the heart of the trembling monarch, who felt himself humbled in the dust. Without regard to his weakness, and intent on their purpole, the rebel lords dismissed, without further ceremony, fuch of his train as entered not into their views, and by all the winning arts peculiar to courtiers they strove to reconcile the King to his splendid captivity; in this they succeeded, so far as to procure pardon for themselves, and James's fanction to the measures which they vigorously adopted in pursuit of the great object of their enterprizethe establishment of the Reformed Re-

" But the King's captivity was not of long continuance. On his arrival in Edinburgh, " the folemnity of his reception was characteristic of the manners of the times. He was met by the ministers of Edinburgh. whole procession walked up the streets finging a pfalm expressive of their critical escape from danger, and the great deliverance they had obtained by the captivity and subjection of the King. The news of James's confinement fpread all over Europe; they even pierced the walls of her prison, and reached the ears of the unfortunate Mary, whose maternal feelings they extremely agitated §." Meantime Lennox, a Frenchman by birth, was banished, and soon after retired to his native country, where he died. Arran was forbidden to appear at court. However, after being in this state of bondage about ten months, James found means to escape, and threw himfelt into the hands of his former friends, with whom he acted in concert; and Gowrie, by the intrigues of Arran, was foon after led to the scaffold. The latter, in his turn, after a series of crimes, fell a facrifice to the refentment of James Douglass of Parkhead, who flew the degraded Arran in revenge of his uncle the Earl of Morton's death. Thus we have exhibited the rude manners of the times, when faction ruined faction, and a constant struggle subsisted between the Popish lords and the Protestant nobility, between the Clergy of the Reformed Church and the Protestant King: the crown claiming the supremacy in all cases spiritual as well as temporal; and the clergy strenuously afterting, that King Jesus, and not King James, (nor any other earthly prince, confittently with the word of God,) was head of the church in all things spiritual ||, if not temporal.

" The hall is still shewn where James and his nobles were entertained during

\* See Melvill's Memoirs, p. 240, 241.

The King at this time was only a lad of fifteen.

T Spottiswood's Hill. p. 320. Robertson's Hill. vol. ii. p. 95.

Arnot's Hist. of Edin. p. 37, 38.

Still so much of the ancient spirit of independence is kept up in the General Affembly of the Kirk of Scotland, that, as icon as his Majefty's Commissioner diffolves the meeting in the King's name, the Moderator rifes and difmiffes the Assembly in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, Supreme Head of the Church,

his stay at Ruthven castle; but, " such is the change in the circumstances of the place, concurring with the genius of the times, that the same castle, in which the proud and powerful baron once confined his King as a prisoner, is now quietly occupied by a colony of calico printers \*." This colony was established here in the year 1792, under the firm of Young, Rofs, Richardson, and The annual expenditure in workmen's wages is about three thoufand fix hundred pounds. Thirty hands are usually employed about each table and press, the printers being allowed from fifteen shillings to one guinea per week. The staple manufacture of the country around Perth is well adapted for the purpose of printing; and the London market being always open, and the conveyance

thither direct, regular, speedy, and convenient, every encouragement is held out to spirited exertion, ingenuity, industry, and enterprise."

Mr. Campbell has not taken quite so wide a range in his journey as some former Tourists had done, having chiefly confined his excursions to the districts circumjacent to Lothian, Perth, and St. Andrew's; but he has viewed the multifarious objects with a penetrating eye, and with an expanded and cultivated mind, and has amassed such a collection of acottish history, tradition, and biography, illustrated by such a selection of picturesque scenery, as we believe to be unequalled.—The plates (forty-four in number) are very finely engraved and characteristically tinted.

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THE third and last volume of this history, which justly claims the honourable distinction of being considered as a work of public utility, fince it communicates material information on a subject of the sixt magnitude, the Royal Navy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, opens with a political account of the different Navies of Europe from the commencement of the last century to the death of Queen Anne, and a comparative view of those Navies, and of the commercial state of Europe during that era.

A striking feature of this first division of the volume, is the masterly sketch of the character of Louis XIV. falsely styled the Great, King of France, which, from respect for the Author's talents as an historian, and as a gentle hint to those Englishmen who have expressed their good wishes for the House of Bourbon (which, under a succession of three Monarchs, within the above-mentioned period, never permitted Britain to enjoy the tranquillity of peace for longer intervals than five, fix, or ten years, at most), we lay before our readers.

" A continuance of the same asting principle, which had lighted the torch of war, and brandished when blazing in all its horrors, over a confiderable part of Europe, towards the conclusion of the Seventeenth century, was productive of still more dreadful effects immediately after the commencement of the Eighteenth. The discordant and diaborically ambitious spirit of Louis the Fourteenth, nothing abating in its vigour, though the fuel which had at first fed its fury was consumed, eagerly spread itself in search of fresh materials which might continue to support its rage. The fatal industry with which this fystem was pursued, proved, most unfortunately for the reit of the world. too effectual. Independent of those countries which immediately furrounded the identical fpot whence the flame arose, and which of course became the most immediate prey to its effects, its baneful influence was foon most sensibly felt even in remote districts, which its own immediate operations were incapable of reaching.

" Spain, Portugal, Britain, Holland, Germany, and the northern parts of Italy, formed an immense voleano, of which France was the crater; while Russa, Sweden, Denmark, and, in fine, almost every country in Europe, influenced by the persuasion, terrified by the threats, or cajoled by the specious promises, of Louis, were armed against each other, and joined in a scene so terrific as almost to threaten an annihi-

lation of the human race.

" Not withstanding the severe losses which Louis had experienced during the preceding war, and that heavy blow he had in particular received by the destruction of the best ships he possessed off Cape La Hogue, io earnefly did he apply himself, during the thort period of tranquillity which fucceeded the peace of Ryfwic (1097), in the re-establishment of that Navy, the possession of which he appeared to think so essential to his glory, that at the compencement of the eighteenth century in 1702, he confidered himself in a condition to disturb the peace of Europe as powerfully as ever. event, however, proved he had been too sanguine in his expectation; this is exemplified by the fresh losses he suftained in the attack made on the port of Toulon in 1707, by the army under the command of the Duke of Savoy, and the combined British and Dutch ileets commanded by Admiral Sir Cloudesley Shovel, for the loss of eight thips of the line, taken and deftroyed by the fire of the affailants, accelerated and completed the almost total retiremeat of the French Navy from the buly and dangerous theatre of war during the next thirty fix year . Our Author, however, gives inflances to prove, that though Fritain at that period was manifestly furction, with ref ect to its naval force, not only to France, but to all the other maritime Powers of Europe, yet the French this of war were built upon better principles than the British, which en abled them, in the Stamen's phrate, confiderably to fore-reach those of the British. The losses imputable to accident, and those dangers to which all vessels at sea are subject, no less forcibly proved the superiority of that construction or form given to vessels, under the load water-line, which was then adopted by the French, for in the retreat of the imali French fleet, which made an unfuccelsful attempt to cover the descent of the Pretender in Scotland in 1708, to their own coast, the

ships which perished were entirely of English construction (captured ships), while the remainder, built in the ports of France being better enabled to hold their wind, to work off a lee-shore, and to endure the assaults of a heavy head-fea, were capable of successfully combating and effectually resisting it.

bating and effectually relisting it.
"The total of ships taken from the French, or destroyed by the English and the Dutch, in the war which commenced against France and Spain in 1702, and was terminated by the peace of Utrecht in 1713, amounted to forty ships of the line, several of which were first and second rates, exclusive of frigates, and of many other ships lost by tempests and other misfortunes. As to the Spanish Navy," fays our Historian, "though Spain was a principal in the war, it was reduced to a state of infignificance which could scarcely fail to excite the compassion even of a foe; and with respect to Portugal, her marine held the same inoffensive rank at the commencement of the eighteenth century, in which it continued unoffendingly to pais through the remainder of it.

"Holland appeared to have passed the zenith of its glory. Its maritime power continued, indeed, still respectable, but carried not with it that terror as in the preceding century, when it arrogantly assumed to itself the mastership of the Ocean, and the power of prescribing marine laws to aimost ail

Europe."

We are next entertained with a concite account of the rapid advances of the marine forces of the Northern Powers of Rusha, Denmark, and Sweden; with judicious remarks on the indefatigable and successful operations of Peter I. the truly Great first Emperor of Russia, " who raited into conlequence, as a naval Power, a nation which he found destitute of a fingle ship of war; and by his enterprising genius, and unremitted attention to this important object, had raised, in the year 1714, a naval force confitting of more than forty thips of the line, as many frigates, and upwards of 150 gallies.

The result of the accurate review of the marine of the European nations as it stood in the year 1700, presents that pleasing picture of the naval superiority of Great Britain, which every lover of his country, every loyal Briton, will read with great satisfaction; and with

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a fincere with that our Rulers may never lose fight of this splendid example, which exhibits an unequivocable proof, that the glory and commercial profperity of the British empire cannot be maintained by any other means, but by the superiority of the British Navy, very emphatically, upon all public occasions of festivity, acknowledged to be "the Wooden-walls of Old England :" for let it be remembered, that the era we are now contemplating was distinguished by the most signal victo ries of our land forces under the great Duke of Marlborough; yet even thefe would have proved ineffectual to prevent the success of the ambitious projects of Louis, if his Navy had not been nearly annihilated by the valour of our Naval Officers, Marines, and Seamen.

"Britain," fays our Author, "might be faid, at that period to possess nearly one-third of the whole of that force, which was especially equipped for the purposes of war, by all the other maritime powers of Europe: France and Holland held more than a fecond third part, while the minor States of Spain, Portugal, Russia, Denmark, and Sweden, could boast no greater navy, had the whole of it been united together, than what could have been fent forth from the ports of England alone. The Auctuation or alteration which was occasioned by the uninterrupted contimuance of war during the first fourteen years of the eighteenth century, tended but little to affect the proportion just stated. The alteration which was produced by it was in favour of Great Britain; the losses sustained by her not having equalled, by one third, those which France had fuffered within the The marine of Spain fame period. had also undergone what might be confidered as a total demolition; while the contests sublisting between the Northern Powers had prevented them, taken in the aggregate, from augmenting that total which they had pollefled at the commencement of them, notwithstanding the wonderful exertion made by Peter the Great to raise himfelf into naval confequence."

An account of the improvements made in marine architecture among the different European Powers during the first fourteen years of the eighteenth century, and of the immediate causes which gave birth to them, and produced the extraordinary augmentation of vessels in regard to their tonnage as

well as force, is the next fubject of discussion, and every particular is minutely detailed which is necessary to explain the different principles of shipbuilding practifed by the artificers of the Southern, from those of the Northern States.

In our last Review, a summary account of the active measures taken by King William III. to augment the navy of England, was noticed as forming the principal contents of the feventeenth Chapter of Vol. II. We' have now to observe that Mr. Charnock is rather too fond of recapitulation, which fometimes engenders tirefome tautology, as in the instance before us, part of the third Chapter of Vol. III, being taken up with the same subject, as introductory to the history of the naval transactions of the reign of Queen Anne, amongst which, besides a relation of the victories of Sir George Rooke and Sir Claudeflev Shovel, off the ports of Vigo and Malaga, we find curious remarks on the civil economy and management of maritime affairs; the murmurs of the merchants, in consequence of a pretended neglect of the commercial interest of the nation, with other grievances contained in various petitions to the House of Peers against the administration of Prince George of Denmark; the Queen's husband, as Lord High Admiral of England, with their Lordships' report thereon, the answer of the Prince, and observations on the whole proceedings.

The next period, the naval events of which make a confiderable addition to the renown of the British fleets, comprifes the figual defeat of the Spanish fleet by Sir George Byng, in the Faro of Mellina, in 1718, the fourth year of the reign of George I. for which that gallant Admiral was created a Peer, by the title of Viscount Torrington, and extends to the commencement of another war between Great Britain and Spain in 1739: Our author gives us the state of the British navy at that period, notices the bad construction of the ships composing the British navy at that time, and explains the miltaken principles on which the marine architects of Great Britain then acted, and the inconveniences under which ships fo contrived laboured. A brief recital of the various expeditions which took place during the war, with their consequences, are the next subjects of the continuation of our naval history;

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and the capture of the Princessa, a Spanish ship of 70 guns, and nearly 1800 tons burthen, is stated as having the most happy effect in producing that reform and alteration of system in the construction of British ships of war, which had been fo long necessary. " Admiral Sir John Norris, who was then univerfally confidered the naval oracle of Britain, was written to, by order of the Board of Admiralty, on this subject; and this letter, with the documents annexed to it, are given by our author, as forming a curious and well connected, though concife history of the civil establishment of the Brisish navy, from the early part of Queen Ann's reign, down to the time when the Princessa was taken, in the year

"The Admiral in consequence of this application, which was rather an invitation, than an order, to exert his talents for the benefit of his Country in the civil department of the navy, immediately adopted the obvious and certainly the most prudent method of producing improvement. He fought the opinions of men who were confidered as best informed on the subject, and reported to the inquirers the refult of their information, furmounted by fuch professional observations, as his long continued maritime pursuits had en-abled him to collect. Reform however went on but flowly; the British navy was reduced to an inequality with respect to that of the different powers of Europe, reckoning thip for ship; not only in the contracted di-mensions, but in the form or shape given to the veffels composing it, which neither the inconveniences experimentally and most feriously found to refult from them, nor the example of those benefits found to be derived by other countries, from the pursuit of a contrary fystem of construction, were, for many years, capable of removing. Under these disadvantages the question will naturally be to discerning readers, How the superiority of the British naval power was supported? The anfwer will be found in this part of its history; by out-numbering other powers; fo that her fleets when confidered collectively, rendered the individual inferiority of the ships of less consequence. The alterations in the principles of construction which took place in the British navy soon after the commencement of hostilities against France

in 1744, owing to the representations of Sir John Norris, and the affiduity of the Admiralty and Navy Boards, were the first triumphs of wifdom over custom; and their utility is fully explained by our author in Chapter 8, which also contains a comparative view of the quantity of materials confumed in the construction of different thips, more particularly of the timber confumed in building the Royal George, the Princess Amelia, and several other ships on the plan of reform and improvement. Also a list of the Royal navy, as it flood at the conclufion of the war against France and Spain in 1748, including the ships which had been taken from the enemy; exhibiting a most formidable force, and evidently demonstrating that Great Britain at that time, was Sovereign of the Seas: it amounted to four ships of the first rate, viz. the Royal George, the Royal Anne, the Royal Sovereign, and the Royal William, carrying 100 guns each, and 850 feamen; ten fecond rates, of ninety guns; fortyeight third rates, carrying from eighty down to fixty-four guns; fixty-nine fourth rates; forty-two fifth rates; and forty eight fixth rates. In the inferior claifes were five fire-thips, ten bomb-ketches, thirty-five floops of war, two store-ships, seven hospitalships, eleven yachts, as many hoys, five smacks, tixteen hulks, and five xebecks, forming in the whole a marine of 313 fail.

"The loss of the combined enemies during this short war of four years, are unparalleled in the annals of our own, or any other country, they amounted in ships taken or destroyed, and a very few lost by accident; to sifty-five French, and twenty-four Spanish ships; and the navy of France was reduced to thirty-eight ships, carrying from eighty

down to twenty guns!"

To follow up the progressive improvements from this period to the present time, would be to give an abridgment of this valuable and expensive work to the injury of the author, and other proprietors; a practice but too common of late years, and highly reprehensible. Our Review, on the contrary, aims at placing meritorious works, such as the present, in the clearest and fairest point of view; and, by means of an extensive circulation, to make its publication more generally known. On this principle we

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shall close the article with noticing Transport Office, for this considerable fome of the most interesting subjects in improvement; and all persons conthe remaining Chapters. The first is cerned in marine affairs will undoubtthe modern invention of sheathing of edly find their account in perusing the thips with copper, the first experiment information relative to its successful of which, on a fingle ship, was made application to vessels of different denoin the year 1758; but it did not be- minations, in Chapter xiii. come the general practice till about the year 1776, when it was extended to which complete the work, and they commercial vessels, as well as ships of are all wholly taken up with scientific war. The detail of the methods made discussions and observations peculiarly use of prior to this invention, to pre- adapted to promote a more accurate vent the penetration of worms into knowledge of marine architecture, and thips' bottoms, is very curious, and to convey instruction to ship builders, will be found in Chapter ix. which also naval furveyors, and all persons concontains general remarks on the im- nected with or engaged in the service provement and thate of marine archi- of the Royal navy; and in the foreign tecture in Asia and America.

In the next Chapter, we have a comparative view of the conduct and condition of the different naval powers of Europe; an historical relation of the naval transactions and marine forces of the Turks, Russians, Swedes, and Danes; and of the general events which took place previous to the close

of the last century.

The names, principal dimensions, and tonnage, as well of the ships and veffels purposely built for the Royal navy, from the year 1700 to the end of the year 1800, as those which, though not so built, have at different periods been received into it, on being either captured from the enemy, purchaled from merchants, or hired for a time as chartered vessels, are the most important subjects of Chapter xi.

A general statement of the marine belonging to the different African powers, with a description of the vesfels in use among the States of Barbary, the Chinese, the Japanese, and the Indians; and an account of the canoes and vessels used by the inhabitants of the South Sea Islands, and a comparison between them and the gallies of the ancients, are the chief con-

tents of Chapter xii.

An enquiry into the general principles of marine architecture, the properties and requisites of vessels, reafons why ships so constructed as to draw but little water fail best before the wind, with a narrative of the invention of sliding keels, and a differtation on their utility, which can only be understood by professional men, appears to be remarkably curious. The navy stands indebted to Capt. Schank, one of the present Commissioners of the on the same construction; and by the

There are three more Chapters commerce carried on by merchant thips.

Laitly, at the conclusion of an abfract account of recent discoveries and improvements in marine architecture, we have a description of the Life-boat, so interesting to the public in general, that we shall make no apology for inferting it, convinced that our author will not disapprove of the free circulation of this philanthropic invention.

" The Life boat was built under the inspection, and by the subscription of a few private persons at South Shields, who had been the immediate spectators of the many dreadful difasters which had overwhelmed ships driven on the fands, at the South entrance of Tynemouth harbour, for the truly valuable purpose of attempting the prefervation of persons so unfortunately circumstanced. A boat was accorda ingly built about thirty feet in length, and ten feet broad, the fides flamming out for the purposes of preventing the broken waves from running into the boat. It was decked at the floor heads, rowed with twelve oars, and fleered also by one: it was covered with cork on the outside, two or three threaks down from the gunwale, and was found to answer the expected purpose so fully, that though cork jackets were, for the production of greater fafety, purchased for all the people, when the boat was first employed, they were almost immediately difregarded, and after a very short time, never taken to fea. The fuccets of this most amiably noble measure, caused it to be followed by his Grace the Duke of Northumberland, who, at his own expence, caused a second boat to be built Many Avgo A vol astronomical malego at the des united

united efforts of these philanthropic tain, from the Admiral to the Lieunately preferved, who would otherwife to the masters of commercial vessels, have fallen victims to the rage of the having it in their power to exercise ocean \* "

Science of Marine Architecture has, terest, by purchating it. human foecies."

Be it permitted to add, that we in dulge the pleating hope that the inge- of the Commerce de Marteilles, of a nious and industrious author of this Venetian gondola, of a modern galvery useful and curious work, will bours, in its extensive sale; the great drone Islands.

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colleagues, the lives of fome hundreds tenant in the Royal navy, and from the of persons have already been forth great ship-builders and owners down their liberality on this occasion, and at Final, benevolent observation: "The the same time to consult their own in-

for many ages, been subservient to the In this volume, as in the preceding impulses of ambition, svarice, luxury, ones, the excellence of our British enor curiofity; it remained for Britain, gravers is displayed to great advantowards the close of the eighteenth tage; for there are no less than fortycentury, to direct it to purposes more fix illustrative and explanatory plates, truly noble and patriotic, of general the major part by Newton and Tombenefit, and of universal extent; to kins, the remainder by Greig, Barthe prevention of domestic misery, to low, and Hall. Amongst other beauthe maintenance of national popula- tiful subjects we distinguish the view of tion, and to the preservation of the the Glorioso Spanish man of war, of the Invincible French thip of war, of the Royal George, a British first rate, ley rowing in a calm, of a Chinese vesmeet with a fuitable reward for his la- fel, and of a flying proa of the La-

of the last contary. "

The Caledonian Herd boy : A rural Poem. By D. Service, a native of Scotland. Yarmouth. 12100.

Life bear was built under the

THE notice taken of Stephen Duck, more than half a century ago, was the means of bringing before the public various efforts of the unlettered mule. In the like manner we expect the fuccefs of Bloomfield will draw forth more effusions of uneducated genius. The author of the poem before us was a herd boy for five years on the north banks of the Clyde, was afterwards an apprentice at Greenock to a thormaker, and has followed that employment for fix years in England. His attention to the muses has not interfered with his trade, as we are told that his poem " was written of mornings before his buliacts commenced, or of evenings after the labour of the day was finithed." describes scenes of rural life, which, confidering that he never received, as he fays, "a common education," appear to deserve commendation, and will be read with pleafure.

The Spatic Annual Register; or, A Vieno of the History of Hindestan; and of the Afia, for the Year 180 . 8vo.

This is the third year of a very useful publication, which appears to us well calculated to promote the interests of Asiatic literature and science, and to enable the public to form correct notions on Indian affairs. It contains all the information arising from Eastern arfairs, at home or ab oad, during the course of the year, and many useful and interesting papers.

The History of the Roman Wall, which cropes the Island of Britain from the German Ocean to the Irish Sea. Describing its ancient State and its Appearance in the Year 1801. By W. Hutton, F. A. S. S. 8vo.

Mr. Hutton considers himself as the first man that ever travelled the whole breadth of the Roman Wall, which he has described we doubt not with great accuracy. In the course of this journey, which he performed at the age of feventy eight, he tells us he lot by perspiration one stone of animal weight, and fpent forty guineas in thirty-five days, and in a walk of fix hundred and one miles. We have read some former Folitics, Commerce, and Literature of works of this author with more entertainment. aucr no vided income self

stands indebted to Capt. Schank, one pence, caused a fectoral boat to be built \* This brief abstract may be considered as a supplement to Warner's account of the Life-beat in our last Magazine, for August, page 101.

Confiderations

Considerations on the late Elections for Westminster and Middlesex, together with some Facts relating to the House of Correction in Cold Bath Fields. 8vo.

The proceedings at these Elections, we are forry to fay, reflect no credit on the British character. That a po-pular clamour, excited by audacity and kept up by confident falsehood, should influence an election, is an unfavourable symptom of the times, and threatens a return of the follies and extravagancies of the days in which the cry of Wilkes and Liberty fet the brains a madding of a frantic and unthinking populace. The conduct of Mr. Aris, the Governor of the New Bastile, as it has been invidiously called, is in this pamphlet fatisfactorily defended.

The Domestic Encyclopædia; or, a Dictionary of Facts and Useful Knowledge; comprehending a concise View of the latest Discoveries, Inventions, and Improvements, chiefly applicable to Rural and Domeftic Economy; together with Descriptions of the most interesting Ob-

jects of Nature and Art; the History of Men and Animals, in a State of Health or Difease; and Practical Hints respecting the Arts and Manufactures, both familiar and commercial. By A. F. M. Willich, M. D. Author of the Lectures on Diet and Regimen, &c. Sc. 4 vols.

The nature of this work is fufficiently explained in the title page, which shews it to be intended for do-mestic reference. We cannot withhold from its Compiler the praise due to pains and diligence generally well-di-rected. Much useful every-day information has been drawn together from the best Authors on different fubjects; and though it may fornetimes be thought that Dr. Willich has given rather an undue proportion of his labour to the subjects of Chemistry, Medicine, Mechanics, and Rural Affairs, we must declare his book to be highly deferving of a place in every family library. It is illustrated with twenty-eight copper plate, and a hundred wood, engravings; and has copious Indices.

#### PUBLIC DISPUTATIONS IN THE ORIENTAL LANGUAGES AT BENGAL.

### [From the CALCUTTA GAZETTE, Feb. 11, 1802.]

COLLEGE OF FORT WILLIAM, FEB. 11, 1802.

On Saturday last, the 6th of February, being the anniversary of the commencement of the First Term of the College of Fort William, and the day appointed for the public Disputations in the Oriental Languages, and for the distribution of the prizes and honorary rewards adjudged at the late Public Examinations, the Honourable the Acting Visitor, accompanied by the Members of the Supreme Council, and by the Governors of the College, proceeded to the College.

The Honourable the Acting Visitor was met at the entrance of the College by the Provoft, Vice Provoft, Profellors, and Officers of the College, who attended him to the Public Examination Room, where the students were

affembled.

When the disputations were ended, the following prizes and honorary rewards, adjudged at the fecond examination of 1801, were distributed by the Provost, in the presence of the Acting Vilitor :--

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Persian Language. - Mr. J. H. Lovett, Medal, and 1500 Rupees; Mr. R. Jenkins, Medal, and 1000 Rs; Mr. C. Lloyd, 500 Rs.

HINDOSTANEE LANGUAGE.-Mr.W. B. Bayley, Medal, and 1500 Rs; Mr. J. H. Lovett, Medal, and 1000 Rs; Mr. C. Lloyd, 500 Rs.

ARABIC LANGUAGE.-Mr. J. H. Lo-

vett, Medal, and 1500 Rs.

Bengalee Language.—Mr. W. B. Bayley, Medal, and 1500 Rs; Mr. W. B. Martin, Medal, and 1000 Rs.

Persian Writing .- Mr. H. Dumbleton, Medal, and 1000 Rs.

NAGREE WRITING. -Mr. W. Morton, Medal, and 1000 Rs.

B. NGALE WRITING .- Mr. H. Hodg-

fon, Medal, and 1000 Rs.

ENGLISH Essays, Second Term; Mr. W. B. Martin, Medal, and 1000 Rs.—Third Term; Mr. T. Hamilton, Medal, and 1000 Rs.—Fourth Term; Mr. E. Wood, Medal, and 1000 Rs.

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After the distribution of the prizes and honorary rewards, the Honourable the Acting Visitor addressed the Students to the following effect:

GENTLEMEN,

"The public fervice having demanded the presence of the Most Noble the Patron and Founder of the College of Fort William, in a distant quarter of the British Empire in India, he has been pleased to render it my duty to witness this first distribution of the prizes and honorary rewards which have been adjudged under the statutes of the institution.

"The fatisfaction which I have derived from the discharge of this honourable duty, has been greatly heightened by the additional proofs of the beneficial effects refulting from this Institution, afforded by the public exercises of this

"Those who are yet but imperfectly acquainted with the nature and objects of this Institution, will learn with equal surprise and satisfaction, that students recently arrived in India have this day ably maintained a public difputation in the Oriental Languages.

"The establishment of the College of Fort William has already excited a general attention to Oriental languages, literature, and knowledge, which promifes to be productive of the most salutary effects in the administration of every branch of the affairs of the Honourable Company in

India.

"The numerous and important benefits to be derived from this Institution, cannot however be juttly estimated from the experience of the short period of one year which has elapsed fince it commenced its operation. But if succeeding years shall exhibit advantages proportionate to those which have been already manifested, this Institution will realize the most fanguine expectations which have been entertained of its fuccefs.

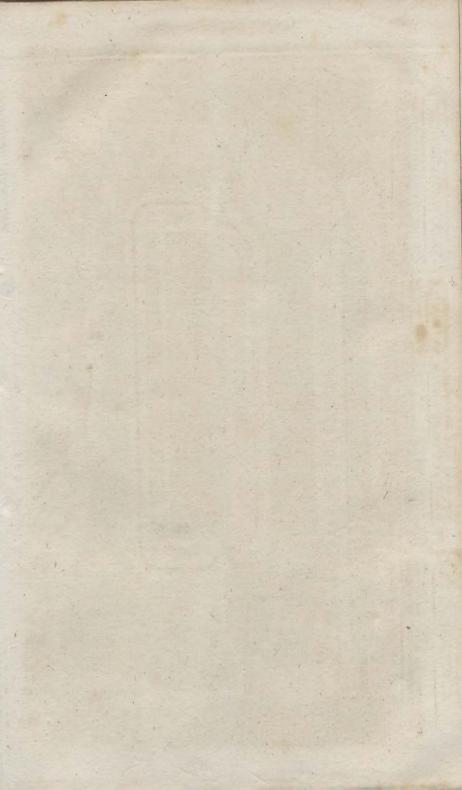
" I am happy to avail myself of this occasion to express my satisfaction at the uniform zeal and attention which have been manifested by all the Officers and Profesiors of the College in the discharge of their public duties. also experience great pleasure in expressing my thanks to those Gentlemen who have conducted the public examinations, and who, by affording the aid of their talents and knowledge, have rendered an effential fervice to the Institution.

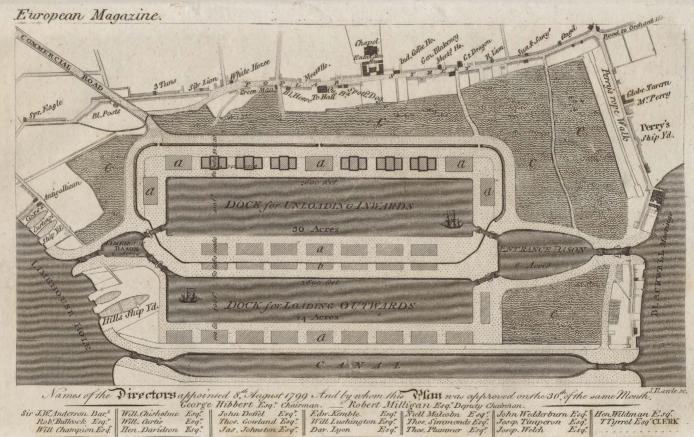
" Of the students now entering on their course of public service, as well as of those who continue attached to the College, I am happy to observe, that there are many who have not only diftinguished themselves by their proficiency in the Oriental languages and literature, but whose uniform observance of the flatutes and rules of the Institution, and whose general correctness of conduct, have afforded an honourable and useful example to their fellow students. I am persuaded that those deserving characters will reflect further credit on the Institution, and that they will continue to exert their endeavours for the attainment of a higher degree of perfection in the different branches of knowledge of which they have fo happily laid the foundation.

" I entertain a confident hope that all the students who remain attached to the College, will emulate the laudable example furnished by the meritorious characters whom I have described .-The Institution now affords to those students the means of qualifying themselves for the important offices which they are destined to exercise under the British Government in India. By diligently availing themselves of those means, they will proportionally advance their personal interests and reputation; and they will also enjoy the grateful and animating prospect of becoming eminently uleful to their country; by rendering it essential asfiftance in realizing the important advantages to be derived from the extenfive and valuable dominions which it has acquired in India; and by aiding it in fulfilling the high moral obligations attendant on the possession of its Indian Empire, on the discharge of which the prosperity and permanency of that Empire equally depend."

In the evening, a dinner was given by the Honourable the Acting Visitor, at the College, at which were present the Honourable the Chief Justice, and the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature, the Members of the Supreme Council, and all the principal Civil and Military Officers at the Prefidency.

Names and proficiency of students who arrived in India within or previous to the year 1798, and who are now





The works were begun to be executed agreeable to this Plan on Pebruary 3º1800 And on the 16 day of June the rivet Brick of the Dock Wall was laid, Published by J.Sewell, Cornhill, Oct 1-1802 PLAN of the WEST INDIA DOCKS &c. as Designed and Dedicated to the Directors.

On the ?? thday of August 1802 the Herry Addination and Echo West Indiamen first Nups / Entered the Import Dock. A. Intended Warshoures, b. Shades leaving the College, to enter on the fore declared, that public Disputations public service :-

C. Lloyd-In First Class of Arab ... Persian, Hindoostanee, and Bengalee languages.

H. Hodgfon-First Class, Persian Hindooftanee, and Bengalee; and fire

in Bengalee writing.

W. P. Potts-First Class, Persian and Hindoottanee; and Second Class, Ara-

G. D. Guthrie-First Class, Arabic and Persian.

A. Ross-First Class, Arabic and Persian.

J.W. Laing-First Class, Arabic and Pertian.

D. Campbell-First Class, Arabic and

G. Hartwell-First Class, Bengalee; and Second Class, Persian and Hindoostance.

W. Scott -First Class, Bengalee; and

Second Class, Hindoostanee.

R. Thackeray-First Class, Arabic; and Third Class, Persian.

M. Law--First Class, Bengalee.

W. J. Sands-Second Class, Persian and Hindooltanee. J. Wemyls - Second Class, Persian

and Hindooftance.

F. Morgan-Second Class, Persian and Hindoostanee.

R.O. Wynne-Second Class, Perfian. R. Vansittart-Second Class, Persian. J.W. Grant-Second Class, Hindoostance.

To the above we add the following remarks on the Disputation held at the College of Fort William, in Bengal, by a Gentleman who was present :-

These Disputations were held in pursuance of the fixth statute, enacted by his Excellency the Governor General, as Patron and Visitor of the Col-

lege, viz.

"Whereas it is necessary that the students destined to exercise high and important functions in India, should be able to speak the Oriental Languages with fluency and propriety, it is there-

d Declamations shall be holden in at Oriental Languages, at stated times, the prescribed by the Council of the to coe."

From the recent institution of the Jollege, and the impediments which must necessarily have occurred at the commencement of an undertaking fo novel in India, and at the same time fo extensive in its objects, it might reasonably have been expected that the first Disputation would be confined to one of the Oriental Languages; or if a fecond were included in it, the most fanguine expectations from the fuccels of Collegiate Instruction in the languages of Alia must have been fulfilled. How furprising, and how gratifying to all persons concerned in promoting the objects of this excellent Institution must it then have been, to observe the Students appointed to hold the late Disputation's, equally capable of supporting them with readiness, correctness, and elegance, in three of the Oriental Languages, the Persian, Hipdoottanee, and Bengalee? In feveral instances the same Gentlemen defended or opposed the given position in two of these languages; and all, after finishing their arguments, read Theses composed by them in the same languages; evincing in these distinguished proficiency, and eminent ability and knowledge in the subjects of the disputations, which were happily chosen for the occasion.

It would be improper to notice individual excellence, where all exhibited so much merit. But it may be justly observed, that this Disputation, though a first essay, and held within a twelvemonth after the opening of the College of Fort William, would have done honour to the Professors and Students of any Univerfity in Europe. It formed an admirable introduction to the delivery of the honorary medals which followed, and fanctioned the motto engraved on them-" Redit a nobis durora diemque

reducit."

## WEST INDIA DOCKS, FROM LIMEHOUSE TO BLACKWALL.

[WITH AN ENGRAVING.]

We are happy in being able to lay parts immediately circumiscent. A our XXXVIIIch Volume, Page 7.

parricular account of the ceremony of before our Readers a very accu. laying the first slone of this grand and ate Plan of these Docks, and of the magnificent undertaking was given in

of vifiting and viewing the work in present state, must be astonished at t stupendousness of its scale, and the tent of human wildom, skill, and hi duftry, which has begun, carried on, and to far completed, in the course of five and-twenty months, an "imperial work,' the proof of past, and pledge of

future prosperity. The effect and defign of Wet Docks are, to keep the water always at one height; that is, the height of the ordinary full tides; to prevent vessels from being alternately exposed to wet and dry, and to be fometimes on a high level, and fometimes lying on one fide on the fand. It must be evident to all persons, that the position of the vessel remaining upright, and on the fame level, must be a great advantage in loading and unloading, even where. there is only one thip; but when there are numbers crowded together, it prevents confusion and much damage, befides loss of time and space.

These advantages attach to every Wet Dock or Bafon into which ships are introduced; but in the present case there is another end in view alsoroom and proper quays being wanting on the River Thames for the accommodation of the numbers of thipping that refort to it from all parts of the world.

From inconvenience and confusion, expence always follows; but in this case a greater loss arises than could be expected, owing to a fort of depredation, known by the name of Plunderage, which the buffle and confusion ariting from want of room and proper quays occasion. This Plunderage is, no doubt, considerable; but it has been calculated by Mr. Colquhoun, the Magistrate, at half-a-million annually.

The advantages, therefore, that will arile from the constructing of such Docks for West India produce (the most liable of any fort of goods to be plundered), are certainly great, and therefore were much wanted in the vicinity of London.

The annexed Engraving will ferve to shew those who have not been on the fpot how the Docks are planned. That for unloading inwards is already completed; but to the Dock for loading outwards very little is yet done.

The Dock is twenty-nine feet deep, built round with brick work, fix feet in thickness at top, and co- when the tide is low.

SHIP CONDING ATTACK

TOTOGE IN

Whoever has enjoyed the satisfactic wired with large square stones as coping he wall. About two feet below the top, is a groove in the brick-work, about fix inches deep, and a foot wide, into which timber is inferted to keep the thips from injuring, or being inared by, the brick-work.

Such are the Wet Docks, or rather the Wet Dock at present, for there is only one finished, the length of which is 2,600 feet, and the width 510. That which is yet to be made will be of the fame length, but narrower by 110 feet.

A magnificent entrance or gateway to the quays is intended, with allegorical devices; and there will be a high wall round the whole, besides a sloping ditch, parapet wall, and iron pali-The numbers of houses for the refidence of clerks and workmen will convert the marsh in time into a town; to that London will really extend from Paddington turnpike to Blackwall, without any interruption whatever.

It having been previously known, that the first ships were to enter on the 27th August 1802, at one o'clock, a great concourse of persons of all ranks attended. The water had been introduced through a square aperture in the flood gates on the 25th, fo as to prevent those who attended what may be called the inauguration of the enterprize from

waiting too long a time.

The Dock was filled nearly to the height of the tide at high-water on the 26th. The temporary bridge, under which was a wooden barricade that refifted the water when the coffre-dam broke \*, was taken away; and over the first suice was erested a borizontal drawbridge, on a new and improved plan. It divides in two in the middle, and each half moves off horizontally on a pivot, being supported in its horizontal position by an equal balance made in the parts themselves, and a circular ring of cast iron twelve feet in diameter, on which are rollers that are sections of cones; fo as naturally to move agreeably to the curvature of the circle, in a manner fimilar to that in which the roof of a windmill turns upon the walls.

There are two flood-gates at the outer lock, and two more between that and the Wet Dock. The floodgates all open inwards, to relift the pressure of the water in the Docks lar wells dug in the ground, and built European Seas, but every fing or enligh purpose of opening and thutting the our service; so that the variety was flood gates - these are worked from great, and the effect splendid. above by men; the chains which con- At the main top-gallant mail head

altogether under water.

water stood about twenty feet deep within the fluices; and numbers of people who had affembled appeared were hoilted on the stern, and the somewhat disappointed, expecting to have been gratified with feeing the wa-ter admitted with a rush into the empty colours, flags, and it eamers of all docks. At eleven o'clock the work men left off their labours, and the ballast heavers who had been employed manned, for the purpose of towing in to clear the entrance (where the unfortunate coffre dam was) quitted their occupation.

All the ships belonging to the West India trade that were in the river had colours flying. On each fide of the entrance was a flag-itaff, with the Royal Standard and Union Jack. The Royal Standard was also hoisted on the roof of the warehouse nearest to Blackwall.

About 100 foldiers were posted near the warehouses, and at each entrance leading to the North Quay, into which part no person was admitted without a ticket. This was a laudable regulation, as it prevented all the ill effects of a tumultuous and mischievous crowd; and, although the company admitted to this place was extremely numerous, it was as respectable. The top of the warehouse, No. 8, as well as all the windows of it, were filled with company. The number admitted by tickets could not be less than four or five thousand; and of these a great part consisted of elegant and beautiful females. The affemblage on the South fide confifted of persons of all descriptions; and there was not one throughout the whole of this immense crowd, who did not seem to feel a degree of pleasure proportionate to the importance of the event which they came to witness.

The Henry Addington, a thip of 400 tons burthen, and of 20 guns, lay at the entrance at Blackwall, together with the Echo; the former was only in ballast, and had little of that—the lat-

ter was deeply laden.

The Henry Addington stood high above the water, and was decorated with

There are at each lock perpendicular about 200 flags; being not only those windlasses of cast iron, placed in circu- of the different nations that navigate round with brick and stone, for the used in making telegraphic signals in

nest the windlasses and the gates being was the Royal Standard; the Admiralty Itogether under water.

Flag waved from the fore-top-gallant
In the morning of the 27th, the mail; and from the Dizen and the bow-sprit hung the Union Jack.

Two Three Coloured French Flags Spanish, Portuguese, and others, upon

kinds, from end to end.

At eleven o'clock two boars were the ship in conjunction with the people on the fides. Four guns were fired when the arrived at the outer gates, which were immediately opened for her admittance. The wooden drawbridge, which we much admired, difappeared, as it were at the same moment, when the veffel was fairly flationed in the middle of the first lock; where the remained more than half an hour, the band of the 3d regiment of guards playing "Rule Britannia."

During this delay, the Echo, a yessel rather of inferior fize, deeply laden with West India produce, was towed up in the same manner; when the fecond gate was opened, and they both entered the first bason. In less than a quarter of an hour the two inner gates were opened; and, before one o'clock, both vessels were in the great Dock opposite the first warehouse, which was crowded at every aperture, and on the roof, with Ladies of beauty and fashion.

Repeated huzzas were given from fhore to shore, and the Echo was in the middle. The band of the West London Militia, and the music on board the Addington, struck up " God fave the King!" and the whole was a spectacle exhibiting the triumph of a commercial and loyal people, rejoicing at the first effect of fo grand, extensive, and useful a work.

A falute of 21 guns was fired, and a pigeon let fly, when the Addington moored opposite the warehouse No. 8; after which feveral persons of distinction went on board them were, Lord Hawkesbury, the Earl of Rosslyn, Lord Hood, Lord Pelham, Lord Hobart, Lord Glenbervie, the Lord Mayor, Sir Sidney Smith, Sir George Shee, Mr. Alderman Hibbert, Mr. Alderman Curtis, &c. The same boat continued for more than an hour carrying numbers of our most dittinguished mercantile men and their families; many of whom only stopped a few minutes, making place for others, after taking a little elegant resreshment. About half past three, Earl Rosslyn, and Lords Pelham, Hawkesbury, and Glenbervie, with Sir Sidney Smith, &c. went up the River in the Admiralty barge.

At five o'clock an elegant dinner was fet out in the great cabin for the Ladies, &c. on board. There were also two long tables under an awning upon the deck; and the regimental band continued to play favourite airs. After dinner, one of the tables being cleared away, country dances commenced, and a great deal of additional company came on board. They continued dancing to a late hour, and the utmost conviviality prevailed.

The crowd that affembled at the Dock, the Bason, and in the vicinity of Blackwall, cannot be estimated at less than 30,000 people. Accidents were very likely to happen, owing to their anxiety to behold the introduction of the Addington to the Dock, and to there being no sence on the sides; but we are happy to state, that, so far as we have heard, none took place; there was no disorder, nor the slightest circumstance to diminish the enjoyment of the day, the weather being the most favourable possible, without wind, dust, or sultry functione.

The water in the Dock extends in surface \$22,400 square seet, and in cubic seet (the depth being 25) con-

tains 20,560,000.

Nothing can be conceived more beautiful than the D.ck. The water is of the necessary depth; its surface, smooth as a mirror, presents to the eye a haven secure from sto ms; and the mind of a spectator anticipates those sensations of pleasure and delight, which Seamen from all nations of the world, after busseting storms and tempets, must see when lodged in its tranquil bosom.

The warehouses are the grandest, most commodious, and spacious, that we have ever seen, and are capable of containing a vast quantity of goods.

We admire greatly what has been done; but no part, the locks excepted,

is yet completed. The tone copings on the quays are not finished; and the communication with the river at Limehouse Hole is not yet opened; without which the Dock that is now in use is, like a man with one arm, but imperfectly useful.

A grand dinner was given in the evening of the 27th at the London Tavern, by the Directors of the Docks, which was very numeroufly attended; Mr. Milligan in the Chair, and Mr. Davidson, Deputy Chairman. Among those who formed the party were—

His Royal Highness the Duke of York, Lord Hawkesbury, Lord Pelham, Lord Hobart, Lord Hervey, Lord Hood, Lord Sheffield, Lord Glenbervie, Mr. Addington, Sir Evan Nepean, Monseur Parmentier, Monseur De Hazet, Sir Lionel Darell, Sir Sidney Smith, Sir P. Stephens, Sir H. Munro, Sir G. Hope, Mr. Alderman Hibbert, Mr. Alderman Leighton, Mr. Alderman Curtis, Mr. Alderman Shaw, &c.

The meeting was diftinguished by much conviviality; and the following toafts were drunk:—

The King and Conflitution.

The Queen.

The Duke of York and the Army. Lord St. Vincent and the Navy.

Success to the West India and London Docks; and may every future improvement of the port produce the need of more.

Mr. Addington; and thanks for his fleady and zealous promotion of the great national objects committed to the conduct of the West India Dock Company.

Lord Hawkesbury, and the other Noblemen and Gentlemen who patronifed and supported in Parliament the establishment of the West India

Dock Company.

Mr. Pitt; and thanks to him for his diffinguished patronage in the foundation of the West India Dock Company.

Prosperity to the British West India

Colonies.

Lord Hood, and the other surviving Heroes of the glorious Twelfth of April 1802.

Thanks to the Statesmen and Warriors who, by their exertions and bravery, have procured us the blessings of Peace.

Lord Sheffield, the fleady friend of the West India Dock Company.

Cordiality

Cordiality and unanimity to the Imperial Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. The Duke of York gave the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London, and the Commons of the United Kingdom.

# THEATRICAL JOURNAL.

SEPTEMBER 8.

THE following Notice was given by
Mr. Colman to his Performers:

"Theatre Royal, Haymarket, 8th Sept. 1802.

The Proprietor of this Theatre is under the necessity of informing those Ladies and Gentlemen who now favour him with their assistance, that he can make no renewal of engagements with any performer who will not stipulate to act on and from the 15th of May next ensuing, till the 15th of September sol-

lowing.

"It is with peculiar regret that this notice is given. It is foreleen that most, if not all, of the present Company, will relinquish a future engagement at the Haymarket Theatre. How much the Proprietor deplores this circumstance is left to the candour and feelings of those who can consider what it is for old friends to part!—but the interests of this House demand that it should, in suture, be opened on the day allowed by his Majesty; and the reasons why it will hence forth be thus opened, will be stated to the audience in the Farewell Address. [See Sept. 15.]

13. Covent Garden Theatre opened for the leason, with Folly as it Flies and Il Bondocani. The part of the house before the curtain has been partly retouched and partly new painted. The effect, on the whole, is that of elegant simplicity. The frontispiece appears quite new: the colours are light blue, white, and silver, instead of stone colour and gold; and the pilasters on the stage have shrunk, by judicious alteration, into something like a due proportion. The principal performers had their customary greetings after the recess.

15. The Haymarket Theatre closed for the season; and the expectation excited by an Advertisement announcing an extraordinary Address to the Public drew acrowded house.

The performances were, The Sixty-Third Letter, The Voice of Nature, and The Fairies' Revels. On the conclusion of the fecond piece, Mr. Fawcett, as Asing Manager, came forward; and, after returning the thanks of the Proprietor and Performers, as usual at the end of a feason, solicited the candid attention of the audience to the following Address, which he read from a paper:

" Ladies and Gentlemen,

" Mr. Colman, the Proprietor of this Theatre, under whose management I have, of late, assisted in many of his arrangements immediately relative to the Stage, has deputed me to return you his warmest thanks, for the patronage with which you have continued to honour his house, during this season. Allow me to fay, also, that the gratitude of every performer here is as strongly impressed upon their minds, as, be affured, it is on my own; but, in addition to these acknowledgments, the Proprietor has instructed me to address you with matter of such peculiar nature, that your patience is solicited, while I read, verbatim, that which he has commissioned me to communicate.

When a Royal Patent was about to be granted to the late Mr. Foote, it was inquired, with that justice which characterises the English Throne, what annual extent of term might be allowed him, without injury to theatrical patents then existing in this metropolis. The Proprietors of the Winter Theatres were interrogated on this point; and in consequence of their documents, a patent was granted to Foote, for his life, to open a Theatre annually, from the 15th of May to the 15th of September inclu-

ive.

"The Winter Houses never closed precisely on the commencement of his term—but Foote was unique, and depended, chiefly, on his own writing and his own acting. A licence was given to the elder Colman, for the same annual term, on Foote's death: but, aware that he could not, like his singularly-gisted predecessor, depend on his own individual powers, he engaged a regular company of Comedians, chiefly selected from

the Winter Theatres, for whose assistance be avas obliged to WAIT till those Theatres

closed

"He ventured, in every shape, very deeply on a limited privilege, which this mode of speculation rendered still more limited.

"The younger Colman, our present Proprietor, succeeded his father in the License, but bought the Property, at the expence of several thousand pounds, and thus came into a Theatre, where the custom of depending on the movements of the winter-houses has now curtailed its

thort season of nearly one third.

" The object at length in view is, to remedy the evil, without invidious and vain attempts to attack much more powerful Theatres, who have an undoubted privilege of acting plavs all the year round. The Proprietor has no intention of tiring the public ear by a querulous appeal; he admits that others have the fullest right to make their property as productive as possible: he wishes merely to follow their example, and folicits your fupport in his efforts in establishing a Company of Actors, totally independent of them. There are but three houses permitted to give you regular batches of plays in London; and this house (by far the most humble) fees no reason, when they will be all making their bread, on the 15th of next May, why even Three of a trade should not perfectly agree.

" Should his arrangements fucceed, which are, even at this early period, actively ferming, you will (on the reopening of the Theatre) greet the return to London of some favourites, who, it is trufted, will find no diminution of your protection :- you will witness new and rifing merit, which it is your marked practice to foster. There is no theatrical town in the United Kingdoms which will not be resorted to, in the hope of procuring you its choicest produce :-- and, in addition to other authors, you will be intreated, early in the feafon, to fliew your indulgence to the Proprietor's further attempts at dramatic composition, whose pen, he humbly hopes, notwithttanding the long duration of your encouragement, is not yet quite worn out in your fervice."

This statement was received throughout with frequent marks of approbation; and concluded amidst loud and continued applause.

16. Drury lane Theatre opened for the feafon, with The Inconflant and Of Age

To-morrow, under the direction, we understand, of a Board of Management, consisting of five Gentlemen, who are to be affisted by an Acting Manager.—The Theatre has been well cleaned, and the lobbies newly painted.—Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Young, Mis Decamp, Messer, Charles Kemble, and Suett, were respectively applauded on their reappearance.

at Drury lane Theatre last season, as Belcour, in The West Indian, resumed the same character as a regular member of the company; and we think his talents cannot fail of being very useful. [See our account of him, Vol. XLI. p. 381]

Mr. John Bannister has been appointed Stage Manager of Drury-lane Theatre, and Mr. Kelly Superintendant of the Musical Department.

24. A Miss Marriott (daughter, as we understand, of a coachmaker in John-street, Tottenham court-road) made her entré on the boards of Covent Garden as Clarinda, in The Suspicious Husband; which she performed with a considerable degree of judgment, and was much applauded.—She has, in consequence of her favourable reception, been since announced for the characters of Mrs. Sullen and Jane Shore.

25. Mr. CHERRY, a Comedian of much provincial celebrity, last from Bath, but of longer flanding in Dublin, made his first appearance at Drury-lane as Sir Benjamin Dove, in the Comedy of The Brothers, and Lazarillo, in Two Strings to Your Bow; both of which he performed in a manner that deferved and obtained very general applause .- In the former part he not unfrequently reminded us of the admirable afting of our old favourite King; and in the latter, both in gesture and manner, he might have been thought to show some imitation of Munden; but we believe Mr. Cherry to be much the oldest performer of the two; and, therefore, if there be imitation, it may be difficult to fay on which party it lies. Cherry's person is petite, but his face is well calculated for comic expression; and, though he now and then betrayed a few provincial habits in his by-play, he must be considered as a valuable acquisition to the Drury-lane corps.

#### PROVINCIAL THEATRICALS.

At Brighton Theatre, on the 10th of August, a Coinedy in three acts. called "Sketches

SKETCHES FROM LIFE," written by a Mr. Sicklemore, of that town, was presented for the benefit of the Author, by command of the Prince of Wales. At the conclusion of the Comedy, the following Address, written by Mr. Williams, was spoken by Mr. Betterton :-

In Beauty's region, 'mong the wife and great,

I have presum'd to plead our Poet's fate: May Kindness cheer him on the thorny

And chase the mists from his Parnassian Let Friendship's beam add vigour to his

[flow'r. pow'r, As fweet Favonius breathes upon the With decent manliness he claims applanie, laws ;

And draws his document from Nature's Pourtrays the folly-wings the poignant

And gives the moral to correct the breaft. With whifp'ring accent, and in Sylvan shades, [Maids;

He woo'd, in numbers, the Pierian

Now smote the lyre! and then, abash'd, ffpir'd. retir'd I

His fears repressing what his hope in-With modest ecstasy he heard your [ with the bays : praise, While Honour wreath'd his temples Unconscious of the Theban's godlike

Courfe;

He journies, trembling, in an humbler Gladdens our shepherds with his Doric meed.

And feels, with gratitude, your envied That hour may be, when nerv'd by your decrees, [ with ease ; He'll think with confidence, and write

Diffuse the attic flashes of the mind; Bid Care recede, and Avarice be kind; Make all the inflitutes of Art his own; Give Virtue energy, and Worth renown-

As Phœbus leads him 'mid the lyric throng,

Should high Augustus [bowing to the PRINCE] confecrate his fong.

# POETRY.

ON HEARING THAT BONAPARTE HAD SUPPRESSED THE ENGLISH NEWS-PAPERS IN FRANCE

HEN Liberty in France appear'd, And first her brazen standard rear'd, " Huzza!" cried Bonaparte; We now shall be sublimely bless'd!" Then claip'd her to his panting breaft, And gave her all his heart; Arm'd his fmall body cap-a-pie, The Errant-Knight of Liberty.

Away he flew, from clime to clime, Unmindful of the lapfe of time,

With millions in his train! For Liberty alone he fought! And deem'd no victory dearly bought,

Her glorious cause to gain; Whilst, in his van, arose a tree. Inscribed with " Vive la Liberté!"

O'er the wide world, in ev'ry zone, This nymph had fifters of her own, Bred in each various sphere.

One in Helvetia liv'd, so blest! But O! the loveliest, and the best,

Hath fix'd her cottage here ! Here, iafe beneath Britannia's eye, Dwells the first-born of Liberty !

Now Bonaparte, that wond'rous blade, Chose out the most vivacious maid Of all the fifters fair;

Admir'd her spirit and her eye, From which ten thousand lightnings fly, And eke her martial air!

Ah! little thought poor Bon. that she Was the spoilt child of Liberty.

For her, regardless of their breath, What thousands were confign'd to death, By night, and eke by day!

Whilit Pity, from her foft abode, " O'ertook him on his blood-stain'd road, " To look his rage away "."

In vain! he spurn'd her tender plea, Devoted all to Liberty.

An enemy to all mankind, He left a plunder'd world behind, To execrate his name! Hark! how Helvetia, Venice, Rome, Lament their melancholy doom! Hark! thousands mourn the same! And yet, "I come to make ye free," Exclaim'd this man of Liberty !

The Turks sublime, as travellers tell, Retain a custom, sprung from hell,

# Collins. F f 2

By which, when Selim + dies, His eldest son, a Prince no more, Kills all his brothers by the score,

Or puts out all their eyes. Safe policy! condemn'd to be The offspring of French Liberty!

So Bon. refolv'd to be as free, Where'er he found a Liberty, He cut the Lady's throat !

" My Liberty alone shall thrive, "Alone my much-lov'd maid shall live,"
He bawl'd, in thund'ring note!
Then cried, "My friends! in me ye see

" Th' adorer of sweet Liberty !"

But when, at length, to ble's his life, Miss Liberty became his wife, He foon found, to his cost, She was the most unruly jade,

And car'd not what she did, or said, If once her whims were cross'd ! For Gallic Ladies can't be free, 'Till unrestrain'd in Liberty.

What could be done? between the two, There was the devil and all to do. Who still should be the master!

For Ma'am fo kick'd, and bounc'd, and

That Bon. who never fear'd before, Now fear'd some dire disaster ! And oft he bent the lowly knee; In hopes to foothe Ma'am Liberty!

At last, his expectations o'er, His Corfic foul could bear no more,

So he refolv'd to bind her; So, seizing Madam by the neck, He rudely threw her on her back,

And tied her hands behind her! Exclaiming, "What is this I fee? " Is this my once-lov'd Liberty?"

And now, within the gloom of night, He hears her forrows with affright,

And mourns his hafty choice ! Uplifts his ever-wakeful head, From murder'd Bourbon's cottly bed,

And trembles at her voice! Arise! ye shades of millions dead, And shield the maid for whom ye bled!

One other maid, of all that name, Elcap'd his perfecuting flame! She dwells on Britain's shore ! Nor can his arms, nor wretched arts, Harl to her breaft those cruel darts

Her fifters felt before ! Ah! ice, she droops her pensive head, And weeps her lovely fifters dead !

The mild reproofs, and murmurs free, Which fall, O British Maid! from thee,

" Or any other Grand Seignior.

Bon. hears with fad furprise ! Then bids his mighty thunders roar Along his wide-extending shore, To drown thy tender fighs ;

And threats his bappy Gauls, who dare Echo thy plaints, or urge thy pray'r !

Hail, blissful Gaul ! hail, land so dear ! Where none must speak, where none must hear.

Except whilft air-ballooning! Behold! a nation proftrate lies! Behold another Louis + rife,

By Sulian-like dragooning ! Arise ! ye shades of millions dead, And fave the maid for whom ye bled ! RUSTICUS.

Cottage of Mon Repos, September 1802.

#### A KENTISH DIALOGUE.

On the IMMORTAL PILLAR of SUB-SCRIPTION, which is, very foon, to be erected and dedicated to A LIVING MORTAL!!!

POET. To Merit, fled to Heav'n, were wont to

The votive pillar, and the facrifice. Merit was, then, an unpresuming maid, Nurs'd by the Virtues in the secret shade ; And, if the heard, by chance, her plaud-

ed name, it Fame.' Back she recoil'd, " and blush'd to find And when, at length, her mortal duties

Heav'n call'd her to its own immortal Fame, gathering all the god-like acts the'd done,

Engrav'd them on a monumental stone. FRIEND.

Now tell me, How does Modern Merit rife ?

POET.

Whillt yet a Mortal, she attempts the A faucy, vulgar wench, she mounts her

Drell'd in the livery of the God of War! No more her fweetly-glowing cheek is feen ? Inien!

No more her downcast eyes, and modest No more she haunts the deep sequester'd

Remote from all that might repeat her But with a noify voice, and goggling

She begs full many a lift to reach the See! boldly on the public path she stands, And cries, "Now shout all tongues !

now help all hands."

+ Louis the Fourteenth.

Whilst taylors, barbers, tinkers, coblers, Now if a scavenger, but once a day [ [quall ! Wheels a full barrow-load of fand away. Fish-women squeak, and butter-women In three weeks time no hillock would be See! how they ftrain their arms, their feen ! legs, their eyes, 'Twould be as level as a bowling-green! [ ikies ! To lift that ponderous Merit to the Yet to this mole-hill, rais'd in half-an-See I how it kicks, and fprawls, and fpow'r ! Arives to fly Kent trusts the record of her praise and Beyond the reach of every mortal eye! POET. Let, let it go, all hands !- like air-bal-The man who builds in fand, as Scriploon, foon! tures fay, 'Twill tumble back to earth, alas! too Will foon behold his labours fink away: FRIEND. So, ten years hence, perhaps, in some Too foon ? hard weather, ther!!! POET. Down come the Pillar and the bill toge-Yes, yes! too foon, at least, for Ye who the mighty ruin shall behold, Whole grannams now are very, very On earth my motto is Equality. old. We want no demi-gods among us here ! How will ye ponder on the massy wreck, Off, off with them to Heav'n, their pro-'Till all your wooden pericraniums crack! per sphere! With facred awe, O gather all the fcraps, FRIEND. And bear them home, within your leathern laps; No, no, my friend! this hero must not So shall five men quit work before they He still has many things to do below: Nor leave one relic of the stately shrine. A good one he, at game of fork and ---- What fays the grand inteription? knife, Have you heard? And I ves his mutton as he loves his FRIEND. -But, lo! the Pillar mounts the hill I cannot find it fays one fingle word ! of fand, [stand! At least, it does not mention what's been Where never yet a fingle tree could done. See! midft the crowd, the fawning agents Worthy of record on a Public Stone. It tells us fome man's name, and tays, as With hat in hand, and supplicating eye, Collecting every faithing they can raife, He planted "costly" trees, all in a row! Alludes to some "improvements" in To fix the Pillar of Immortal Praise! O, what innumerable crowds will run, fome " field," [yield. To view that avonder of the World, when But does not mention what the land will done! [fashion, And fays, as how the Mayor and Corpo-Not Becket's shrine, when Becket was in ration [Nation, And call'd together fouls from ev'ry na-Have made a vow to pleasure all the Could ever boaft, in its most favour'd By giving all the Nation leave to walk On roads repair'd with broken flints and So many folks as will affemble here! chaik; Thones. Artists will come, of ev'ry degree, With the full liberty to break their And Crouch before it, on the bended In climbing ramparts, for a view of -- itones!!! POET. Now this may all be very, very true, Is that the noble Pillar, form'd to prove But "about nothing it is much to do." A County's glory, and a County's love? Why, 'tis not higher than our garden wall! For common merits thus to raise a name, FRIEND. Is triffing with the hallow'd trump of Fame ; Less fatal, then, my friend, will be its Yet thus will Vanity and Interest Arive [mound, The Goth-like Danes uprais'd this petty To keep a common character alive! And plac'd five foldiers here, to watch To thee, O Merit! oft I bend the knee, around; [froze! For no man can revere thee more than But when the frost came on, the men were [lonely shade. They had not room to walk, and warm To thee, sweet nymph! within the their toes! Oft are my filent adorations paid! But But when, forgetful of thy modest name,
Thou seat'st thyself upon the throne of
Fame; fraise,
Permit'st thy friends, without a blush, to
Close to thy door the pillar of thy praise,
Then must I smile contemptuous, and
refuse

To pay the tribute of no venal muse!

Thy warmth is just, my friend! I cannot fee [thee. One reason for this sus no more than Alas! if blocks on blocks are doom'd to rise.

And tell each little merit to the skies; And, if, whilst living, they proclaim the

Of each pretender to the throne of Fame, \*Twill foon be dangerous on the roads to ftray, [way!

Such blocks of all forts will impede our POET.

Will Kent her hecatombs of oxen kill,
To celebrate this Hero of the Hill?
Will feasts, like those which grateful
Athens paid

To her fam'd heroes in th' Elysian spade, To this more famous hero be decreed, He who on Earth's a demi-god indeed!

To this my friend, I nothing have to fay: [eft day.

Those will know most who live the long-Cottage of Mon Repos, DEMOCRITUS.

TO AMBITION.

August 24, 1802.

\*Tis not thy fickle charms to share,
O stern Ambition! that I bend;
I court thee not, capricious Fair,
Or ask of thee one boon to send.

Could'ft thou, indeed, ftay Pleafure's wing,
And but prolong Life's fleeting hour;

Or to the mind fost comfort bring,

Then I might own thy boundless
pow'r.

But fince I know thy wav'ring state, Thy fancy'd joys, how vain they be; What forrows on thy smiles await, Shall I bestow one thought on thee?

Haste! then, to tinfel'd Folly haste!

And round her brows thy chaplet twine;

Whilst I retire—an humble guest,
To quast more grateful sweets than
thine.

For let but Prudence o'er me sway,
And bid each fordid hope subside;
Let Virtue steer me on my way,
As on Contentment's stream I glide;

I feek no more!—for these will give
Those dear delights I justly prize;
Through life they'll teach me how to
live,
And ev'ry worthless care despise.

Liverpool, 14th Aug.

#### **EPITAPH**

ON

THE LATE MRS. MILLS,

FORMERLY MRS. VINCENT, AND ORI-GINALLY MISS BURCHELL.

Inscribed on a Tablet dedicated to her Memory in St. Pancras Church yard, by her surviving Husband, John Mills, Esq.

A ND art thou laid in awful filence here,
Whose voice so oft has charm'd the
public ear! [the heart,
Who with thy simple notes could'st frike
Beyond the utmost skill of labour'd art!
Oh! may the Pow'r who gave thy dulcet strain, [pain,
And, pitying, rescu'd thee from earthly

Exalt thy Spirit, touch'd with hallow'd fire, [Choir.
To hymn his praise among th' Augelic

#### THOUGHTS ON HOME.

Let the young, and the thoughtless, and gay,

For pleasure incessantly roam;

I find as much pleasure as they,

In the charms which detain me at home.

Some to traverse the ocean for gain, And brave all its billowy foam: Yet their efforts prove often in vain; While I have my riches at home.

Some visit the East and the West;
Or repair to gay Paris or Rome:
But toil is their lot, while I rest,
At ease, with my partner at home.

For blifs, some resort thro' the night
To pavillion or well-lighted dome;
But from these it has long taken slight,
To enliven the scenes at my home.

Then others, who wish for a change,
May abroad for variety ream;
For me, I would constantly range,
O'er the sweets which invite me at
home.

Yet, should absence e'er call me away,
I will think on the transports to come;
When, after the cares of the day,
I return to my cottage and home!

Let

Let me ever, then, value the star,
Which enlivens the valley of life;
When either it shines from afar,
Or sparkles at home in a wife.
Plymouth, Sept. 11th, 1802.

# INSCRIPTION IN A WOOD IN SUSSEX.

HENCE bloody Faction, and thy madding crowd!

Hence bigot Zeal, and Envy, ever first
To mar the honours of a virtuous name!
Hence all ye crouching fatellites of
Kings!—

'Tis holy ground within this forest stade, None fave sweet Meditation, pensive maid,

Delight to hold their vigils here, while At midnight hour, the ponders deep on man:— wind

If, stranger, then thy devious footsteps These silent glades among, and ivied bowers, [trude, Break not their facred sabbath, nor in-

With step unnallowed on the halcyon calm.

'Twill raise thy soul to pure etherial bliss,

To ponder here on man's ephemeral flate.

Aug. 10. E. S.

#### TO THE EDITOR OF THE EURO-PEAN MAGAZINE.

sir,
I beheld with pleasure my Poems inserted in your elegant Miscellany; for my ambition is not to be known on the Banks of the Hudson, but those of the Thames. I, however, rejoice that I sacrificed to the laurel-god in the woods of Carolina. Cooshatchie, which before was not known, may now be said to live in song, while the name, from its Indian derivation, conveys a distinct idea of the place, and belongs exclusively to myself.

In addition to some more of my own fugitive pieces, I take the liberty to transmit you a few that are written by Mr. George; a poet who wants only to be known to be admired, and who, like myself, pants to revisit the Land of the

Mules.

I am, Sir, &c.
JOHN DAVIS.

New York, Broad Way, Dec. 7, 1800. ODE TO CHARLESTON COLLEGE.

E'NCOMPASS'D by a verdant green, Which oft my feet at dawn have prest,

Behold the walls, remotely seen, Of Charleston College stand confest.

Hail! rev'rend pile of classic bricks, With not a bell to call the croud, Oft hast thou witness'd boyish tricks, And heard the truant laugh aloud.

My bufy mem'ry loves to dwell
Upon the gaily-circling hours,
I fix weeks pass'd within thy cell,
Or rather academic bow'rs.

Blest task! to rear the tender thought, And cultivate th' unfolding mind, Of idle boy with mischief fraught, Or unto wickedness inclin'd.

But, Muse! restrain thy sportive wiles,
To GEORGE I would my lays address,
GEORGE, whom the Nine avow with
smiles,
GEORGE, whose endowments all con-

Say! must we both ignobly groan,
Of ev'ry whining boy the jest,
And on our monumental stone

Have, "Here a pedagogue finds rest:"

Avert this fate, ye Gods, I crave;
Redeem me from the toil of schools;
I was not born to be a slave,
Or, dully wise, to tutor fools.
I. DAVIS.

Coosobatchie, Feb. 3, 1799.

# ODE TO MATILDA, LOOKING OVER A MAP.

Dow'RFUL as the magic wand, Displaying far each distant land, Is that angel hand to me, When it points each realm and sea.

Plac'd in geographic mood, Smiling, shew the pistur'd flood, Whence, along the Red Sea coast, Waves o'erwhelm'd the Egyptian host.

See I that little Isle afar, Of Salamis, renown'd in war, Swelling high the trump of fame With glory and eternal shame.

Again the imag'd scene survey, The rolling Hellespontic Sea, Whence the Persian from the shore Proudly pass'd his millions o'er.

And behold, to nearer view,
Here thy own lov'd country too,
That region which produc'd to me
So pure, so bright a gem as thee!
LUCAS GLORGE.

#### PARAPHRASE

BUCHANAN'S LATIN EPIGRAM FROM THE GREEK,

Qui te videt, &c.

TO FLAVIA.

Where beauty ev'ry charm unfolds, Is furely blest; but more so he Who hears thy voice of harmony! But, more than mortal is the blifs
Of him who ravishes a kifs,
In playful dalliance, from those lips,
Where glowing Love his empire keeps t
But, quite a God is, fure, the swain
Who feels thee, Flavia, kifs again,
And from that mouth the gift receives,
Which all his soul of sense bereaves!

J. DAVIS.

Coofohatchie, Feb. 5, 1799.

#### IMPUTATIONS AGAINST M. GARNERIN: WITH HIS REPLY.

An anonymous Writer in a Newfpaper a short time ago publickly called on M. Garnerin to answer certain interrogatories on a subject of a very opprobrious nature. The latter, at the time, answered the infinuated accusations with a fort of contemptuous brevity. The charges, thus replied to, became a topic of very general conversation; and on the 25th September, the same Writer, or another in the same spirit, reiterated the accusations in the form of queries: to which M. Garnerin immediately published the following Reply:

"A writer in The True Briton, who figns himfelf Vindex, has thought proper to put to me three questions—

1st, "Whether I am not the same person who signed his unfortunate Sovereign's death warrant?"

2d, "And, with unparalleled barbarity, wanted to carry with his own hands the head of the murdered Princess de Lamballe, to shew to the Queen of France, then a prisoner in the Temple?"

3d, (which is inclosed in the postfcript of the letter), "Whether I was not accompanied to this country by the execrable wretch who actually cut of the head of the unfortunate Princess de Lamballe; and whether this wretch is not here in my service?"

First, That the death of Louis the XVIth was voted by the National Convention; that I was not then, nor ever was, a Member of the Convention; and that of course I did not, nor could, sign his death-warrant. My answer, therefore, to this first question, is a direct and formal negative.

"Had this anonymous Assassin referred to the list of Members of the Convention, and to the proceedings of that period, he might have ascertained that there never was a Member of the Convention of my name. When Louis the XVIth was put to death, I was at Brussels, serving in the army under Dumourier.

"To the fecond question my answer is—That I never saw the Princess de Lamballe in my life, and of course could not have been a party to her murder.
—I add, that I never was concerned in any of the enormities of that or any other period of the Revolution.

"To the third question, I answer by declaring—That I was not accompanied to this country by the execrable wretch who cut off the head of the unfortunate Princess; nor is, nor ever was (to my knowledge), such a person in my service. I am totally ignorant of a crime which could only have been committed by the most savage of mankind. To this third question, therefore, my reply is as positive a negative as I have given to the two first questions.

"I have thus repelled the charges brought against me; which, indeed, my deference and respect for the English public have principally induced me

to notice IN THIS WAY.

" For the coward who, sculking behind an assumed name, has dared to attack me, I can only express my perfeet contempt. I with that he would give me an opportunity of treating him in a way more confonant to my own defires and to his deferts. Nor, indeed, am I disposed to feel sentiments of greater respect for the Editor of the True Briton himfelf, who has fuffered his paper to be the means of giving currency to charges, part of which he might, by a reference to the Moniteur of 1792 and 1793, or any other periodical work, have proved to have been totally unfounded.

" Sept. 26. 1802. GARNERIN."

#### STATE PAPER.

THE GERMAN INDEMNITIES.

PARIS, AUG. 23. THE First Consul received, in state, in the Conservative Senate, on the 21st inft. a copy of the Declaration by which the Ruffian and French Governments have refolved to conclude the difficult points relative to the Indemnification of the German Princes .- In the preamble to this important meafure, it is stated, that the Emperor Alexander and the First Consul have been actuated folely by a defire to feal the pacification of all Europe, to effect, by their mediation, in confequence of the earnest solicitations they had received from every quarter, what had in vain been expected from the deliberations of the Germanic Body. - After adverting to the scrupulous attention with which the two Governments had examined the subject, and the desire of the First Consul to maintain the rights of the parties concerned, the reporter proceeds to state, that a general plan of Indemnity was some time since determined at Paris between the respective Plenipotentiaries. The principal object of this plan, he observes, has been the consolidation of peace, and the diminution of the chances of war; and on this ground, care has been taken to avoid all contact of territory between the two powers which have most frequently dyed Europe in blood by their quarrels. The fame principle, adopted as far as circumstances would permit, with respect to Prussia, has decided the placing of her Indemnities beyond the contact of France and Holland; and from this arrangement it is added, Austria will have the immense advantage of feeing all her possessions concentrated! The advantages gained by the House of Baden are defended upon the principle that it has been deemed necessary to fortify the Circle of Suabia, which is between France and the great German States: another motive for this advantage is, that the good conduct of the Prince in question during the war had particularly deferved the good will of the Republic! After a few observations on the utility of preserving in the Empire an Ecclefiaftical Elector, the Report is conclud. ed by the remark, that it appears impossible to draw up a plan that should

be more conformable in every respect to the Treaty of Luneville, more analogous to the political state of Europe, or more favourable to the maintenance of peace.

After a long and formal preamble, the Declaration states, that the Mediators, having examined with the most scrupulous care all the memorials, both upon the value of the losses, and upon the demand of Indemnities presented by the parties interested, have agreed to propose, that the Indemnities shall be distributed in the follow-

ing manner :-To the Archduke, GRAND DUKE -For Tuscany and its dependencies, the Archbishopric of Saltzburg, the Provoltship of Bertolfgaden, the Bishopric of Trent, the Bishopric of Brixen, the part of the Bishopric of Passau situated beyond the Iltz, and the Inn on the side of Austria, except the suburbs of Passau, with a radius of 500 toises; the Abbeys, Chapters, and Convents, fituated in the above-mentioned Dioceses. The above principalities shall be possessed by the Archduke upon the conditions, engagements, and relations, founded upon existing treaties; the faid principalities shall be taken out of the circle of Bavaria, and incorporated in the circle of Austria, and their ecclesiastical jurisdictions, both metropolitan and diocefan, shall be also separated by the limits of the two circles; Muhldorf shall be united to Bavaria, and its equivalent shall be taken from those of Freisingen.

To the ci-devant Duke of MODENA, for the Modenese and dependencies, the Brisgaw, and the Ortenau.

To the Elector Palatine of BAVARIA, for the Dutchy of Deux Ponts, the Dutchy of Juliers, the Palatinate of the Rhine, the Marquisate of Bergopsoom, the Seignory of Ravenstein, and others fituate in Belgium and Alface; the Bishoprics of Passau, with the refervation of the part of the Archduke of Wursbourgh, with the refervations hereinafter mentioned; of Bamberg, of Augsted, of Freisingen, and of Augsbourg; the Provostship of Kempten; the Imperial Cities of Rothenbourg, Weissenbourg, Windsheim, Schweinfort. Gochsheim, Sennefelt. Allthousen, Kempten, Kausbeuren, Memmingen,

Dinkelsbuhl, Nordingen, Ulm, Bosssingen, Buchorn, Waugen, Leutkirch, Ravensbourg, and Alschausen; the Abbeys of St. Ulric, Irsee, Weugen, Socsingen, Elchingen, Ursberg, Rochenbourg, Weltenhausen, Ottobeuren,

and Kaisersheim.

To the King of PRUSSIA, for the Dutchy of Cleves, upon the left bank of the Rhine, and of Gueldres; the principality of Maers, the territories furrounded by Sevenaer, Huissen, and Mahlbourg, and the tolls of the Rhine and of the Meuse; the Bishopric of Hildesheim and that of Paderborn, the territory of Erfort and Untergleichen, Eichtfeld, and the Mentz part of Trefort, the part of the Bishopric of Munfter fituate on the right of the line drawn from Olphen, by Munster to Tecklenbourg, comprising within it the two cities of Olphen and Munster; as also the right bank of the Ems as far as Lingen; the Imperial Cities of Mulhausen, Northausen, and Goslar; the Abbeys of Herforden, Quedlinbourg, Etlan, Easen Essen, and Werden.

To the Prince of Nassau; that is to fay, Nassau Usingen; for the principality of Saarbrock, the two-thirds of the County Saarwarden, the Seignory of Ottweiler and that of Lahr in the Ortenau; the remainder of the Electorate of Mentz on the right of the Mein, with the refervation of the Grand Bailliwick of Aschaffenbourg, and that between the Mein, the county of Darmstadt, and the county of Erbach: Caub, and the remainder of the Electorate of Cologne, properly called, with the reservation of the county of Altweid, the Convents of Seligenstadt and Bleidenstadt, the county of Sayn Alten-Kirchen, after the death of the Margrave of Anspach, the villages of Soden and Soultzbach.

Nassau Weilbour—For the third of Saarwarden and the Seignory of Kircheim-Polauden; the remainder of the Electorate of Treves, with the Abbey of Arnstein, and that of Ma-

rianstadt.

NASSAU DILLENBOURG—For indemnity for the Stadtholderate and territories in Holland and Belgium; the Bishoprics of Fulda and Corwey; the city of Dortmund, the Abbeys and Chapters situate in these territories, with a charge upon him to satisfy claims subsisting and previously acknowledged by France upon certain successions connected with the majority

of Nassau Dillenbourg during the course of the last century, the Abbey of Weingarten and those of Kappel to the country of Lippe, of Kappenbourg, to the countries of Munster and Delkerchen.

To the MARGRAVE of BADEN-For his part of the county of Sponhim, and the territories and Seignories in the Luxembourg, Alface, &c. the Bishopric of Constance, the remainder of the Bishopric of Spires, Basle, and Strafburg, the Bailliwicks palatine of Ladenbourg, Bretten, and Heidelberg, with the cities of Heidelberg and Manheim, the Seignory of Lahr, when the Prince of Naslau shall be put in possesfion of the county of Alten-Kirchen, the remainder of the county of Lichtenburg, upon the right of the Rhine, the Imperial cities of d'Offenbourg, Zell, Hamersbach, Gengenbach, Uberlingen, Biberach, Pfulendorf, and Wimpten; the Abbayes d'Schwarzach, Frauenalb, Aller-Heiligen, Lichtenthal, Gendenbach, Ettenheim-Munster, Peterhausen, and Salmansweiller.

To the Duke of WIRTEMBERGH—For the Principality of Montheleard, and his possession in Alface and Franche-Compte; the Provosthip of Ell wangen, the Abbey of Zwissfolten, the Imperial cities of Weil, Reutlingen, Eslingen, Rothweil, Giengen, Aulenhaull, Gmeindt, and Hailbronn.

To the LANDGRAVE of HESSE-CAS-SEL—For St. Goar and Rheinfels, and as provision for his charge of the indemnity of Hesse-Rothenbourg; the Mentz territories situate within Amenebourg and Fritzlar, with their dependencies, and the village of Holtzhausen.

To the LANDGRAVE of HESSE-DARMSTADT—For the whole county of Lichtenberg, and its dependencies; the palatine bailliwicks of Lindenfels and Olzberg, and the remainder of the bailliwick of Oppenheim, the Dutchy of Westphalia, with the reservation of the indemnity of the Prince of Witgenstein, the Mentz bailliwick of Gernsheim, Bensheim, Hoppenheim, the remainder of the Bishopric of Worms, the city of Friedberg.

To the Prince of HOHENLOHE BAR-TENSTEIN; to the Count of Loewenhaupt; to the heirs of the Baron of Dietrich for the allodial parts of the county of Lichtenberg; that is to fay, to Hohenloe for Obetbronn, the bailliwick of Yaxtberg, and the portions of

Mentz

Mentz and Wursbourg, to the bailliwick of Knufelshaw; to the others for Rauschenbourg, Niderbronn, Reichsolen, &c. the Abbey of Rollen Munster. To the same Count of Loewenhaupt, and to the Count of Hillesheim for Reipoltz-Kirchen, the Abbey of Hieleg-Kreutzthal.

To the Prince and Counts of LOE-WANSTEIN-For the county of Wirmbourg, the Seignories of Scharfenech, and other territories in the counties united to France; the parts of Wurtzburg, as far as the counties of Rhineck and Werthein, on the Right of the Mein, the

Abbey of Bronnback,

To the Prince of LINANGE — The Mentz bailliwicks of Mittenberg, Amorbach, Birchoffheim, Konig thofen, Krautheim, and all the parts of Mentz, comprifed between the Maym, the Tauber, the Neckar, and the county of Erbach, the parcels of Wurtzburg, upon the left of the Tauber, the palatine bailliwicks of Boxburgh, of Mofbach, the Abbey of Amorback, and the Provotthip of Combourg, with territorial superiority.

To the Count of LINANGE-GUN-TERSBLUM—The Mentz bailliwick, or

Kellery of Belligheim.

To the Count of LINANGE HEDES-HEIM—The Mentz bailliwick or Kel-

lery of Neydnan.

To the Count of LINANGE-WESTER-BOURG, the elder branch—The Convent of Schonthall, upon the Yaxte, with territorial superiority: the younger branch, the Provostship of Wimpsen.

To the Princes of SALM SALM and SALM-KIRBOURG, to the Rhinegraves, to the Princes and Counts of Salm, Reifersheid, the remainder of the Upper Bi-

shopric of Munster.

To the Prince of WIED RUNKEL, for the County of Creange—the County of Altweid, with the refervation of the

bailliwicks of Linz and Unkel.

To the Duke of AREMBERG, to the Count de la Marck, to the Prince de Ligne—for the Principality of Aremberg, the counties of Saffenberg, Schleyden, and Fagnolles, the county of Rucklinghaufen, with the bailliwick of Dalmen, as far as the country of Muniter.

To the Prince and Counts of Salms— For Rehrbach, Hirchsfeld, the Convents of Arnsbourg, and of Ilbenitadt.

To the Prince of WILGENSTEIN— For Neumayen, &c. the Abbey of Graffichast, the district of Zuschenau, and the forest of Hellenbergerstriet, as sar as the Dutchy of Westphalia.

To the Count of WARTEMBERG— For Wartemberg, the Kellery of Necke-Steinack, that of Erenberg, and the farm of Wimpfen, dependent upon Worms and Spires.

To the Prince of STOLBERG-For the county of Rocheforte, the convents of

Engelthal and Rokenberg.

To the Prince of ISENBERG-The part of the Chapter of Jacobsberg as far

as the village of Gemsheim.

To the Prince of DIETFICHSTEIN— For the Seignory of de Traip, which will be abandoned to the Grifons, the Seignory of Neu-Ravensbourg.

To the Prince of TOUR-TAXIS—For indemnity of revenue of Imperial posts in the ceded provinces and domains in Belgium, the abbey of Buchans, with the city, those of Marchthal and Nernheim, the bailliwick of Ostrach, dependent upon Salmansweiler.

To the Count of SICKINGEN—For the county of Landsthul, &c. the abbeys of Oschenhausen and of Munchroth.

To the Count of LEVEN—For Bliefcaftel, &c. the abbeys of Schoussenried, Coutenzell, Heybach, Bamdt, and Bouxheim.

To the Prince of BREZENHEIM—The abbey of Lindau, with the city.

To the Counters of COLLOREDO— For Darchtal, the abbeys of Sainte Croix de Donawerth.

To the Counters of STERNBERG—For Mandersheid, Blankenheim, the abbeys of Weissenau and Ishy, with the city.

To the Counts of WESTPHALIA, of BASSENHEIM—For Ollbruck, of Sinzendorff; for Rhineck, of Straefberg; for Kerpen, of Offein; for Millendonk, of Quadt; for Wiekerade, of Plettenberg; for Wittem, of Mitternich; for Wennebourg, &c. of Afpremont; for Reckheim, of Torring; for Gronsfield, of Neffelrade; for Welri, &c. the lower Bishopric of Munster.

To the GRAND PRIOR of MALTA—For the commanderies on the left of the Rhine, the abbey of St. Blaite, with the county of Bondorf and dependencies, the abbeys of St. Trupert, of Schultern, of St. Pierre, and of Tennebach.

The First Conful of the French Republic, and his Majesty the Emperor of Russia, after having proposed to regulate thus the demandable indemnities of the Hereditary Princes, have acknowledged that it was at once possible and fit topic ferve in the first College of the Empire an Ecclesiastical Elector. They propose, in consequence, that the Arch Chancellor

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of the Empire should be transferred to the See of Ratisbon, with the Abbeys of St. Emeran, Ober Munster, and Heider Munster, keeping of his old possessions the Grand Bailliwick of Aschaffenbourg, on the right of the Mayn, and that there should be united to it, besides a sufficient number of mediate Abbeys, so as to make up to him with said lands, an annual revenue of a million stories.

And as the best means to consolidate the Germanic Body is to place in the first college the Princes of the greatest influence of the Empire, it is proposed that the electoral title should be granted to the Margrave of Baden, to the Duke of Wirtemberg, and to the Landgrave of

Hesse-Cassel.

Moreover, as the King of ENGLAND, in his quality of Elector of Hanover, has raised his pretentions to Hildesheim, Corwey, and Hoexeter, and it would be of interest that he should desist from his pretensions, it is proposed that the Bishopric of Osnaburgh, which now belongs alternately to the Electoral House of Brunfwick, should devolve to him in perpetuity upon the following conditions :-First, that the King of England, Elector of Hanover, shall renounce all his rights and pretensions to Hildesheim, Corwey, and Hoexeter .- Secondly, that he shall likewise give up to the cities of Hamburgh, Bremen, the rights and properties which he exercises and possesses in

the faid cities, and within the extent of their territory.—Thirdly, that he shall cede the bailliwick of Wildehausen to the Puke of Oldenberg, and his rights to the eventual succession of the county of Sayn Altinkirchin to the Prince of Nasiau-Usingen.

In consideration of the cession of the bailliwick of Wildhausen to the Duke of Oldenbourg, and the secularization that shall be made for his advantage of the Bishopric, and of the Grand Chapter of Lubeck, the Toll of Elssleet shall be suppressed, and shall not be re-established under any pretence whatever, and the rights and properties of the said Bishopric and Chapter in the city of Lubeck shall be united to the domain of the

said city.

The proposition made by the underfigned with respect to the regulation of indemnities, lead him to state here several general considerations which he thinks ought to fix the attention of the Diet. The principal are, that the Princes of Nassau-Usingen, Nassau Weilbourg, Salm Salm, Salm Kerbourg, Linange, Aremberg, shall be introduced into the College of Princes, and that the College or Cities should be composed of the free and imperial cities of Lubeck, Hamburg, Breen, Wetzlar, Frankfort, Nuremberg, Augsbourg, and Ratisbon.

(Signed) C. M. TALLEYRAND.

# FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

[FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.]

DOWNING-STREET, SEPT. 14.

A DISPATCH has been received from Alexander Stratton, Efq. his Majefty's Charge d'Affaires at the Ottoman Porte, transmitting an official Note delivered to him by the Reis Essendi, on the 29th of July last, relative to the navigation of the Black Sea, of which the following is a copy:—

Official Note, delivered by the Reis Effendi to A. Stratton, Efq. at a conference in his Excellency's house, on the 29th July, 1802.

It behaves the character of true friendfhip and fincere regard to promote with cheerfulness all such affairs and objects as may be reciprocally uleful, and may have a rank among the falutary fruits of those steady bonds of alliance and perfect good harmony which happily fublist between the Sublime Porte and the Court of Great Britain; and as rermission has heretofore been granted for the English merchant ships to navigate in the Black Sea for the purposes of trade, the same having been a voluntary trait of his Imperial Majesty's own gracious heart, as more amply appears by an official note presented to our friend the English Minitter residing at the Sublime Porte, dated 7 Gemaziel Ahir 1214 \*-this

The following is a Copy of the Original Grant, which is recognized and renewed in this Refeript prefented to Mr. Stratton, and recorded in the public registers of the Chancery of the British Factory at Constantinople.

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present "Takrir" (official note) is isfued; the Imperial Ottoman Court hereby engaging that the same treatment shall be observed towards the English merchant ships coming to that sea as is offered to the ships of powers most favoured by the Sublime Porte, on the score of that navigation.

The 23 Rebiul Evvel 1217 (23d July 1802.)

FROM OTHER PAPERS. PARIS, Sept. 10 .- Our Minister of the Marine has just made a report to the First Consul, by which we learn that the differences between the French Republic and the Dey of Algiers have been amicably terminated. In this report the Minister adverts to the situation of affairs previously to the late differences with the African powers: he laments that the North of Africa should be governed by men totally ignorant of the public law of Europe, who acknowledge no code but that dictated by their own private interests. He states, that after the great fuccesses of Bonaparte in Europe, a peace was determined upon between Algiers and France, but its fignature was prevented by a fresh interference of the Porte: it was however figned on the 2d of December. The causes which produced a rupture of this treaty are then

enumerated; after which the Minister gives an official account of the proceedings of the French squadron.

"The division," fays he, "commanded by Rear-Admiral Leislegues, appeared before Algiers, the 5th of August, and carrying on board an Officer of the Palace, the Adjutant Hullin, charged with a letter from the First Conful to the Dey. On the 6th of August this Officer landed—he was received with distinction, and he presented the letter of the First Conful, which is conceived in the following terms:

BONAPARTE, First Consul, to the Most High and Magnificent, the DEY of AL-GIERS, whom God preserve in Glory and Prosperity.

"I write this letter directly to your-felf, because I am aware, that you have Ministers who deceive you, and who advise a line of conduct the most injurious to you. This letter will be delivered into your own hands, by the Adjutant of my Palace. Its object is to demand prompt reparation, and such as I have a right to expect, from the sentiments which you have always manifested towards me. A French Officer has been actually beaten in the Road of Tunis, by one of your Officers; the Agent of the Republic has in vain demanded satis-

[TRANSLATION FROM THE TURKISH.]

"The friendship and good intelligence which subsits, since the most remote times, between the Sublime Porte of Solid Glory, and the Court of England, being now crowned by an alliance, founded on principles of the most inviolable sincerity and cordiality; and these new bands thus strengthened between the two Courts, having hitherto produced a series of reciprocal advantages, it is not presumptious to suppose that their salutary fruits will be reaped still more abundantly in time to come.

"Now, after mature reflection on the representations that the English Minister Plenipotentiary residing at the Sublime Porte, our very esteemed friend Spencer Smith, has made relative to the privilege of Navigation in the Black Sea, for the Merchant Vessels of his Nation;—representations that he has reiterated, both in writing and verbally, in conformity to his instructions, and with a just confidence

in the lively attachment of the Porte towards his Court:

"Therefore, to give a new proof of these sentiments, as well as of the hopes entertained by the Sublime Porte, of seeing henceforward a multiplicity of new fruits spring from the connection that has been renewed between the two Courts, the assented to the before-named Minister's solicitations is hereby sanctioned as a sovereign concession and gratuitous act on the part of his Imperial Majesty, and to take such and entire effect as soon as farther amicable conferences shall have taken place, with the Minister our friend, for the purpose of determining the burthen of the English vessels, the Mode of transit by the Canal of Constantinople, and such other regulations and conventions as appertain to the object, and which shall be as exactly maintained and observed with regard to the English Navigation, as towards any other the most favoured nation.

"And in order that the Minister, our friend, do inform his Court of this valuable

grant, the present Rescript has been drawn up and delivered to him.

" Constantinople, 1. Jemazi ul Evvell, -A. H. 1214.

" 30th October, A. D. 1799.

faction; two brigs of war have been taken by your corfairs, and carried into Algiers; a Neapolitan veffel has been captured in the road of Hieres, which violates the French territory: finally, from a French veffel which ran aground on your coafts laft winter, more than 150 men have been taken, and are still in the hands of the Barbarians.

"I demand reparation for all those injuries, and entertain no doubt of your adopting every measure which I should take in similar circumstances. I have dispatched a vessel to bring home the 150 men which are missing. have also to request, that you will place no confidence in such of your Ministers as are the enemies of France. You cannot have greater enemies than those; and if I desire to live in amity with you, it is necessary also that you should take every step to preferve a mutual good understanding, which alone can preserve your present rank and prosperity, for Gop has determined that all those who shall be unjust towards me, shall be punished! If you are willing to live in friendship with me, you must not consider me as a feeble Power, but respect only the French flag, as also that of the Italian Republic, which has constituted me its Chief, and make reparation for all the outrages that have been committed against me. These being the sole objects of this letter, I pray you to read it with attention, and to inform me, by the return of the Officer, what you deem expedient to do."

The Dey condescended to receive the Envoy without the usual formalities, in a magnificent pavilion, and afterwards gave him the following an-

fwer :--

"In the name of the only God-The Man of God, the most Illustrious and Magnissent Lord, MUSTAPHA PACHA, DEY of ALGIERS, whom God permits to reign in glory, &c.—To our Friend BONAPARTE, First Consulof the French Republic, and President of the Italian Republic.—I salute you—The Peace of God remain with you.

"By these presents, our friend, I inform you, that I have received your letter dated the 18th of July. I have read it. It has been delivered to me by the General of your Palace, and your Vakeel, Dubois Thainville. I shall answer you article by article,

"1. You complain to us of the Rais Ali-Tartar.—Although he is one of my Joldaches, I have ordered his arrest, for the purpose of his suffering death. But at the moment of his intended execution, your Vakeel requested his pardon of me in your name, and I have accordingly liberated him.

"2. You demand of me the Neapolitan polacre, taken, as you fay, under the cannon of France. The particulars which have been furnished to you relative to that transaction, are not very exact:—however, according to your defire, I have liberated eighteen Christians, which composed its crew;

they have been delivered to your Va-

keel.

"3. You demand a Neapolitan vessel, which, it is said, had sailed from Corfu on the French service.—There have been no French papers or documents found on board: but as you have defired it, I have ordered the crew to be restored to liberty, and delivered to your Vakeel.

"4. You require the punishment of the Rais, who conducted hither two veffels belonging to the French Republic. According to your defire I have degraded them: but I have to state to you, that my Rais cannot read European characters—they are ignorant of the usual forms of passports: the ships of war of the Republic should adopt some particular signal, in order to be known by my corfairs.

" 5. You demand 150 men, which you say are in my dominions—there is not one.—All the persons in question have perished by the will of God,

which has greatly grieved me.

"6. You say there are men who offer council tending to embroil us.—Our amity is closely comented, and of long duration, and all those who endeavoured to lessen it will be unsuccessful.

"7. You require that I should be the friend of the Italian Republic.—I shall respect its stag as your's, according to your desire.—But if the proposition came from another, I would not accept it for a million of piastres.

"8. You do not appear willing to give me the 200,000 piastres, which I demanded to indemnify me for the losses I have sustained upon your account.—Whether or not you give me these, we shall always remain good friends.

" 9. I have fettled with my friend Dubois Thainville, your Vakeel, all the

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affairs relative to the Coasting and the Coral Fishery. —The African Company shall enjoy the same privileges which they formerly possessed.—I have ordered the Bey de Constantine to afford it every kind of protection.

"10. I have fatisfied you in every refpect, in the manner you have defined; and for which you will doubtlefs fatisfy me, as I have rendered you fatif-

faction.

"II. In consequence, I request you will give orders that the Nations holdle to me shall not sail under your slag, nor with that of the Italian Republic, that there may be no farther disputes between us, for I am desirous of re-

maining in amity with you.

"12. I have ordered that my Rais shall respect the French slag at sea, and I will punish the first who conducts a French ship into any of my ports.—If in suture any matter for discussion should exist, write to me directly, and every thing shall be amicably settled.—I salute you.—May God keep you in glory, &c.—Algiers, 13th of the Moon Rabiad—Ewel, year of the Hegira, 1217."

The Agricultural Society of Paris has elected, as Foreign Affociate of the First Class, William Marshall, Esq. Author of "The Rural Economy" of England, &c. and has communicated the same, in a very flattering letter to that Gentleman, through M. Coquebert

Montbret in London.

By accounts from Munster, it appears that the inhabitants are uncommonly prejudiced against the Prussian Government. Its colours are repeatedly torn down, and treated with every mark of indignity. The respectable part of the inhabitants never mix with the Officers, but absent themselves from every place to which the latter resort.

Advices from Eichsfield announce, that the Pruffian Commiffaries having taken poffession of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, belonging to Eichsfield, and situated at Noerton, in the territory of Hanover, and having placed the Pruffian arms there, the Regency of Hanover ordered, after the departure of the Pruffian Commissionies, the arms to be taken down, and replaced by Georgius Rex.

Prince of Salm Kyrbourg.—The trial of this Prince for forgery is at length finished, and the result has been sent to Vienna. He made a full confession,

acknowledged himself guilty, and begged that the confinement to which he had been subjected since the month of October last, may be considered a sufficient punishment. Beaumont, one of his accomplices, has also consessed; no one but M. Vigneron persisted in denying the crime; but when the depositions of the rest who charged him with it were shewn to him, he said, "Since you know the whole transaction, it is needless for me to persist in denying; if the rest had not been so weak as to make a full confession, you should never have drawn any thing from me."

Prince Basilius Gortschakoss has been posted on the Exchange at Hamburgh, for circulating false bills of ex-

change.

Fifteen hundred Poles, under the guidance of Kofciusko, are stated to be on the eve of leaving their country, for the purpose of forming a colony on the banks of the Susquehanna, in the state of New York.

The Emperor of Russia, in order to encourage the commercial views of the Ruffian Company trading to America, has ordered two ships to be fitted out for a voyage of circumnavigation. They are to fail from Petersburgh with a cargo of provisions, anchors, cables, rigging, &c. to proceed round. the fouthern extremity of America, across the South Sea, to N.W. America, and the Aleusian Islands, to supply the Russian establishments there with these necessaries, take in a cargo of furs, to be bartered in China for Chinele goods, to make an establishment at Urup, one of the most fouthernly of the Kurile Islands, for the greater convenience of the trade to Japan, and then to return from China by the Cape of Good Hope. The ships will be wholly manned with Russians; and the Emperor has ordered that the best officers and failors of the Navy may be employed in the expedition.

The French Minister General Lasnes having quitted Liston in an abrupt manner, his unexpected departure caused great consternation in that city. The cause of the offence is said to have been the refusal of the Prince Regent to disnife the Minister of Police, who had insisted on searching some baggage belonging to the Ambassador.—The First Conful has dif-

countenanced him.

Forty-three millions of dollars were

lately imported into Spain from South America.

AMERICA.

The Captain of a merchant veffel, which arrived at New York from New Providence on the 6th ult. gave information, that on the 14th of July there was brought into the latter place a pilot boat schooner, mounting a number of swivels, and manned with 36 men, commissioned by Gen. Bowles, who commands the Indians to the fouthward. A prisoner on board stated that the had taken three Spanish veffels, and, after plundering them, gave the boat to the people, and burnt the ships. That while he was on

board the privateer, they hailed a vessel under American colours, and brought her to, fent their boat on board, which returned with a large fum of money; they burnt the veffel, and probably made the crew walk overboard, as there were none of them brought on board the privateer .-General Bowles had commissioned three other vessels, with orders to burn, fink, and destroy all Spanish vesfels they could meet with. After receiving the above information, the Governor of New Providence armed a brig and fent out a floop of war in fearch of the pirate; in a few days they brought her in, and the pirates are now in irons.

### DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

AUGUST 22.

E ARLY in the morning the party-wall belonging to the house of Messrs. Jarman and Atwood, shoemakers, in Oxford-road, gave way and fell down into a vacant space, where two other houses had lately been pulled down in order to be rebuilt. wall in falling drew all the floors along with it, and all the furniture and goods have been buried in the ruins. No perfon was injured by the accident.

SEPT. 1. Early in the morning, a dreadful fire broke out in the house of Mr. H. Davis, oilman, in Leadenhallstreet. On the first alarm, the watchmen belonging to the India-house afforded assistance with the Company's engines, which prevented the extenfion of the fire; but a sufficient quantity of water could not be procured for two hours, when the conflagration had extended itself to Mr. Swift's, trunk-maker, Mr. Ward's, the Ship tavern, the Geneva warehouse, and the top part of Mr. Tinkler's premises. The fury of the flames was so great, that very little property could be faved. The premises above-mentioned, with the exception of Mr. Tinkler's, are entirely destroyed. During the fire, two Jew boys were detected in attempting to cut the leathern hole belonging to the East India Company's engines, when they were fecured and fent to the Compter. Some villains, also, during the progress of the flames, got into Mr. Tinkler's house, under the pretence of affording affishance;

they fastened the door and began to plunder the house, when the door was forced by some people without, who suspected their intentions, and they were all taken and fent to the Comp-

A very extraordinary robbery was effected last week in the parish of St. Andrew's, Holborn. A young wo man, genteelly dreffed, went to the overfeers of the workhouse, and defired to know whether they could provide a wet nurse for a lady of rank and fortune. They informed her there was a young woman who had just lain-in of a fine healthy child. It was shewn her; she praised its beauty, and said the would inform the lady, and call again .- She returned in the evening, again kiffed and praifed the child, and requested permission to take it to shew the lady, who was waiting near the place in her carriage. The child was intrusted to her care, but she never afterwards made her appearance with it. Every fearch was made, but without effect. The mother has been in a state of distraction ever fince.

A few days ago, Mr. Judd, a respectable attorney, of Old-street-road, was on a visit to a friend in Lincolnshire, whose house being attacked in the night by fone thieves, the man-fervant took a loaded piece and went down stairs, followed by Mr. R. though unperceived by him; when the fervant, (Supposing him to be one of the villains) fired, and wounded him fo shockingly, that he expired two hours after.

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Lord Dalkeith, as Grand Master of Scotland, last week laid the foundationstone of a new Court-house and Gaol

at Dumfries.

4. At Woodlesford, a boy about eleven years of age, was caught by the machinery of the windmill used for drawing up corn, and his body mangled in fo shocking a manner that he died instantaneously: he was literally torn to pieces!

Mr. Parry, the Serieant at Mace for Plymouth, was attacked in Stonehouselane by a foldier, who robbed him of a bundle. He was recognised the same night in the Barracks, and committed for trial. - Same night, at the brewery of Mesfirs. Langmead and Co., the counting-house was robbed of 230l. in

7. In the afternoon, a few minutes after three o'clock, the corning mill, No. 1, part of the Royal gunpowder works, fiturted about three quarters of a mile North west- of the town of Faversham, blew up, with a most tremendous explosion, and killed fix men, who were at work therein, and three horses. The fragments of the build ing were dispersed in thousands of pieces over the adjoining grounds, and the maffy preffes and mill timbers iplintered and displaced in such a manner as to present a heap of ruins impossible for words to describe; owing to the chosen fituation of the corning mills, and drying-stoves, which were removed from the town after the dreadful accident in 1781, and the further judicious precautions of detaching the buildings from each other, raifing banks of earth between fome, and furrounding others with firong hedges and plantations of wood, the destruction has not extended beyond the place where it begun; the windows of a house in Broad-street, and a few at Mr. Crow's, baker, in West street, being all the damage furtained in Faversham; which is somewhat singular, as a great number of buildings adjoining, and others much nearer, were untouched.

The corning mills are timber buildings, of an oblong quadrangular form somewhat like a barn, and covered with tiles, having four entrances; the internal space divided by two partitions into three compartments. The first contains the presses with their levers and capitan for pressing the powder into cakes; which cakes being coarfely VOL. XLII. SEPT. 1802.

granulated are conveyed in fieves, of different degrees of fineness, into the fecond compartment, containing the apparatus for fifting; in the third compurtment is the horse-wheel, the cogsof which give motion to the whole of the machinery.

How the fatal fpark was produced, which caused this devastation, whether from friction or from any incautious act of the workmen, as no fire is ever employed in this part of the works, is. and ever must remain unknown. The unfortunate sufferers by this calamity were, John Haftings, foreman, who has left a wife; John Coveney, a wife and three children; George Taylor, a wife; John White, a wife and five children; William Thurston, a wife and three children; and William Simmons, un-married. Three of the men were found alive after the explosion, with every article of clothing torn off, their bodies scorched black, and miserably lacerated-they died, however, in a few minutes. Two others were discovered among the ruins in a fimilar condition, dead; but William Simmons, whose employ was with the mill horses in that part of the building which fet in mo-tion the machinery for fifting, had his shoulder and thigh broken, and a dangerous wound upon his head, by the falling of a piece of timber, but was not burnt -he furvived nearly two hours, during which he was perfectly collected, knew Mr. Giraud the furgeon, and answered several questions put to him relative to the accident, but could give no account of the cause-he feemed perfectly refigned, and fensible that death only could end his prefent fufferings. John White had entered the mill only a few minutes, and Mr. Pledger, an officer belonging to the works, had left it only ten minutes before the explosion. It was heard many miles in every direction round the country, fending forth an immense pillar of smoke, so high into the atmosphere, as to be seen from the Dane-john-hill at Canterbury, where the found resembled that of a large piece of ordnance. The prepremiseswere supposed to contain about ten barrels, or 1000 lbs. of powder. One of the horses, otherwise but little hurt, had a large splinter driven into his skull fo fast that it could not be drawn out; it was killed on the following day.

The widows and children of the

workmen have the pay of their hufbands and fathers continued to them for life; Government, with a laudable humanity, adopting this rule in all cases of a like nature. The last explosion which took place, previous to this, was on Feb. 20, 1793, when about 40 barreis of gunpowder, which were in one of the itoves in a marsh below the town, were blown up, and three men killed.

The Lords of the Admiralty have directed that an increase of pay should be granted to all the Warrant Officers in his Majesty's service.

At a Naval Court Martial held on board the Centaur, in Hamoaze, Comboard the Centaur, in Hamoaze, Commondore Danby, of the Spencer, Prefident, and J. Liddle, Efq. Judge Advocate, Lieutenant Camon, of the Peterell, was tried for neglect of duty on various occasions, and the charges being fully proved, the President and Court sentenced him to be dismissed his Majesty's service. He was accordingly discharged.

9. Lieutenant Buchanan, of the Peterell, was tried by a Court Martial, and dismissed the service, for disobedience of orders, and leaving the deck during his watch.

Capt. Jones, of the Beaver, has been difmissed the service by a Court Martial, on a charge preserved against him by his First Lieutenant, of tyranny

and oppression.

Early in the morning Mr. Tolerton, of Flanshaw-lane, near Wakefield, looking out of the window, observed a man on the other fide of the road washing his hands, and a light in the house of Elizabeth Smith, one of his neighbours, living opposite. On his giving the alarm, the light was extinguished, and the man ran away. Mr. T. then entered the House, and found Mrs. S. covered with blood, and writhing in the agonies of death. She was quite speechless, and survived but a few minutes. From some suspicious circumstances a young man about nineteen years of age was taken up. On his first examination he flatly denied the horrid event, but at length confessed that he committed the murder in company with R. Heald, another young man in the neighbourhood. Understanding the deceased was worth money, they broke open the house with a resolution to rob and murder her. The former held the unhappy woman while

Heald cut and beat her, and by accident wounded his accomplice's hand, which he was employed in washing when seen by Mr. T. Heald denies the whole. The villains are both apprentices, and are committed to York Castle for trial. The deceased was upwards of 70 years old.

ro. A Court Martial was held on board the Wassenser, at Chatham, on the Masters of the Alkmaar, Captain Poulden, and the gun brig Ferriter, when the former was acquitted, and the latter dismissed the service, for selling spirituous liquors on board.

The Nimble, Plymouth passage vessel, with eighteen passengers on board, was lost a few days since, and all on board perished. She was run foul of in coming out of Plymouth Sound, which, it is supposed, started some of her timber heads, and she soon afterwards foundered. A part of her boom and boat were picked up off Salcome, about twenty-four miles from Plymouth.

Mr. Otto, jun. Mr. Shergold, and Mr. Coulfon, being on a shooting party near Hand-Cross, with a youth of 15, nephew of B. Edwards, Elq. Mr. C.'s gun went off and shot the young gentleman; the whole charge penetrated his side, broke two of his ribs, and wounded the aorta, which caused his immediate death.

Sheriff's Court, Sept. 11. - Hurst v. Halford.—The plaintiff in this cause was of a profession technically called a Nicknackiterian, that is, a dealer in all manner of curiofities, fuch as Egyptian mummies, Indian implements of war, arrows dipped in the poison of the upas tree, bows, antique shields, helmets, &c. and was described as possessing the skin of the Cameleopard exhibited in the Roman amphitheatre, the head of the spear used by King Arthur, and the breech of the first cannon used at the fiege of Constantinople; and, in fhort, of almost every rarity that the most ardent Virtuoso would wish to possess. The defendant was the executor of a widow lady of the name of Morgan, who, in the enjoyment of a confiderable fortune, indulged her fancy, and amused herself in collecting objects of natural and artificial curiofity. She had been long in the habit of purchasing a variety of rare articles of the plaintiff; she had bought of him models of the Temple

of Jerusalem and the Alexandrian Library, a specimen of the Type invented by Memnon, the Egyptian, and a genuine manuscript of the first play acted by Thespis and his Company in a waggon; for all these the had in her lifetime paid most liberally. It appeared also she had erected a Mausoleum, in which her deceafed hufband was laid, and the projected the depositing her own remains, when death should overtake her, by the fide of him. The plaintiff was employed in fitting it up, and ornamenting it with a teffellated pavement; this was also paid for, and constituted no part of the present demand. This action was brought against the defendant, her executor, to recover the fum of 401. for stuffing and embalming a bird of paradife, a fly bird, an orangoutang, an ichneumon, and a cassowary. The defendant did not deny that the plaintiff had a claim on the estate of the deceased, but he had let judgment go by default, and artempted merely to cut down the amount of the demand. The plaintiff's foreman, or affiftant, proved that the work had been done by the direction of Mrs. Morgan, and that the charge was extremely reasonable. On the contrary, the defendant's Solicitor contended that the charge was most extravagant: he stated, that the Museum of the deceased Virtuoso had been sold by public auction, and including the models of the temple of Jerusalem and the Alexandrian library, the antique type, Thespian manuscript, spear-head, and every thing elfe she had been all her life collecting, it had not netted more than 1101. As to the stuffed monkies and birds, which constituted the foundation of the plaintiff's claim, they scarce had defrayed the expence of carrying them away; they were abfolute rubbish. The plaintiff's attorney replied, that his client's labour was not to be appreciated by what the objects of it produced at a common fale, attended, perhaps, by brokers, who were as ignorant as the stuffed animals they were purchasing.

The Under theriff observed, that in matters of taste the intrinsic value of an article was not the proper medium of ascertaining the compensation due to the labour which produced it; a virtuoso frequently expended a large sum of money for what another man would kick out of his house as lumber. If Mrs. Morgan, who it was proved

was a lady of fortune, wished to amuse the gloomy hours of her widowhood by stuffing apes and birds, her executor was at least bound to pay the expence the had incurred, in indulging her whimsical fancy. He saw no reason why a single shilling of the plaintist of demand thould be subtracted.—The Jury accordingly gave a verdict for the plaintist—Damages 401.

Some workmen who were employed on the roof of a building in King's Bench Walk, in drawing up sheets of lead to the roof, carelessly let fall a large sheet rolled up, which they had just drawn to the top of the building. This immense weight fell through the ceiling between the rafters upon a desk below, at which a Gentleman was fitting, whose head was struck by the lead, but owing to his having his hat on at the time, and the lead falling in rather an oblique direction, his life was preserved. The desk was broken to pieces, and the building much shaken by the accident.

At Union Hall, Southwark, Mary Robinson was brought up on a charge of stealing little children, and stripping them of their frocks. The parents of no less than five infants, of the ages of from three years to five, appeared against this wretch; they proved the property in the frocks.—It appeared the prisoner used to seize every opportunity of inticing children to her, and having carried them out of the neighbourhood, plundered them of their cloaths, which the immediately pawned. The pawnbrokers identified the prisoner. One of them, from her fo repeatedly coming to him, suspected her, and was the cause of her ap prehension .- She was fully committed for trial.

A fellow driving some sheep in Liverpool, a few days since, one of them took fright, and ran a considerable distance before he could overtake it; having at last caught the poor animal, the monster drew out his knife, and in a fit of senseless rage cut off one of its legs, and in that condition drove it back to the rest of the flock. Fortunately there were many witnesses to the inhuman act, and measures have been taken to bring the perpetrator to punishment.

In addition to a new Chalybeate foring at Cheltenham, another has been discovered in the garden of Mr. Har-

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ward, the Librarian, similar, in taste and effect, to the regular spa. Mr. Harward is stated to have refused a thou-

sand guineas for it.

A valuable copper mine has been discovered under Carradon, the highest mountain in Cornwall. It belongs to Mr. M'Cullan, a Surgeon in the Navy.

The Directors of the Bank, in confequence of the increasing emoluments of that Corporation, have proposed that the sum of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. on their capital (which is 11,642,4001.) should be divided amongst the proprietors in the 5 per Cent. Annuities. This recommendation having been adopted by a Court of Proprietors, each holder of Bank Stock has  $2\frac{\pi}{2}$  per cent. addition to his capital in 5 per Cent. Annuities.

12. In the evening a fire broke out at a mufical circulating library near Warwick-court, in Holborn, which confumed that and the adjoining house before it was extinguished. There was a party in the house where it began, who rushed down stairs, and escaped; but, such was their consternation, that the ladies left their cloaks and the gentlemen their hats behind them, and the only property saved was a few articles of plate.

14. At night a tremendous fire broke out at Liverpool, which confumed the whole of the beautiful and extenfivewarehouses fronting St. George's Dock .- About ten o'clock smoke was observed to issue from the centre of France's Buildings; the fire bell was instantly rung, the drums beat to arms, and the whole of the military turned out. About one the flames burst forth with tremendous fury, and continued to threaten deltruction to all around till fix o'clock in the morning, when they were got somewhat under. All those beautiful and extensive buildings reaching from Water lane to Brunfwick freet, with the corresponding store-houses, called France's, were, at fix o'clock in the morning, one prodigious heap of ruins! The damage cannot be much less than a million of money. The shipping were, from its fortunately being flood tide, removed and preserved; but every attention was necessary, such as wet fails placed before the rigging, &c. The accident was occasioned by the falling of a fnuff of candle among havings in a porter vault.

15. The commission warehouse of Mr. Purse, at the corner of Cloak lane, was broke open in the night, and rebed of goods to the amount of 2000l.

15. An indictment was preferred at the Middlefex Sessions against 2. Salmon, for feloniously receiving knowing them to have been stolen, a child's cap, gown, and other articles, the property of Eliz. Impey. The mother of the child, Eliz. Impey, stated, that she refided on the 22d of June in Red Lion Market. On that day a man, whom she did not know, came to her, and faid that he was fent by Mrs. James, of Finsbury-place, to enquire after her child and relieve her. Mrs. J. had frequently relieved her when in diftreffed circumstances. He then gave her a trifle of money to go and procure neceffaries, and faid he would take care of her child till she returned. She entrusted him with her infant, but on her return the found he had decamped with it. After many ineffectual enquiries, the was advised by a neighbour to go to the house of the prisoner. She went, accompanied by a police officer, and found her child, which the recognized by "certain figns," in bed with Mrs. Salmon, who inlifted that it was her own, of which she had lately been delivered. A furgeon, who was called in to examine the prisoner, stated his opinion that she had not been delivered, in confequence of which the child was given up .- The Counfel for the defendant submitted to the Court, that the present indictment could not be sustained, as there had not been proved any intention of stealing the cloaths: and this being also the opinion of the Chairman, the prisoner was acquitted: but was ordered to be detained.

A beacon has been placed on the Bell Rock, Liverpool, to try the force of the sea on it; while it stands it will be of much service to the shipping passing it.

16. J. H. Edy and T. Brannam were indicted at the Old Bailey for feloniously stealing a chaise, the property of — Mackenzie. The facts of the chaise being obtained at Mr. Mackenzie's livery-stables by the prisoner Edy, under the pretence of hiring it to go to Brighton, and the subsequent diposal of it, chiefly through the agency of Brannam, to Newman, keeper of the George,

George, in Drury-lane, were clearly proved. The Judge did not deem it necessary to put Brannam on his defence, he not being a principal in any part of the transaction; and Edy left his to his counsel, by whom no evidence in his juttification was adduced. The Court was of opinion that the material question for the consideration of the Jury was, whether, at the time of Edy's gaining possession of the chaise he entertained the intention of hiring it to go a journey, or whether he meant to convert it to his own use, as, in the latter case, it was clearly a felony. After a short conference. the Jury found Edy guilty, and acquitted Brannam. These two prisoners were tried upon a fecond indictment, for stealing a grey gelding, the property of W. Hiscox. Of this charge they were both acquitted. Edy faid, his age was twenty.

18. Most of the Cabinet Ministers attended his Majesty at Windsor; when a proclamation was issued, proroguing the Parliament from the 5th of October to the 16th November, when it is to assemble for the dispatch

of bufinefs.

Nautical Discovery—The following is extracted from a letter by a Gentleman in Glasgow to his friend in Greenock,

dated August 2.

"An affair of so much consequence to mankind as the following, it were criminal in me to conceal; I therefore request of you to make it as public as possible among your sea-faring and phi-

losophical friends.

"Our mutual friend, before his departure last fall for Philadelphia, constructed a machine, apparently simple, but which is infinitely more valuable to navigation than the compass. It was brought to me, together with his log-book, by a fellow passenger homewards, who unluckily had paid no attention to the use of the apparatus, which was the more unfortunate, as our friend died within three leagues of land.

"It is a magnetic ball, floating in a bason of quickfilver. The ball is painted all over, to keep the quickfilver from penetrating the pores, which might embarrafs the evolutions, which coating, I dare not deltroy to examine the materials of the ball; but from its weight it must be metallic, yet it float high in the fluid. Since he took it from this place, I perceive he has marked it with lines of longitude and

latitude, like a geographical sphere. This, I presume, he has done on his voyage outward, the journal of which is likely left in America. But this which I possess begins with the exact point of latitude and longitude of Philadelphia, and records the zenith of every day as accurately as if he had been all along on terra firma. In bed he told the Captain his distance from the Coast of Ireland to a minute, by looking at his machine.

" The properties of magnetism are not yet fufficiently known, and they have heretofore been applied to use only in the form of the needle. But it appears to possess, besides its well known polarity, a propenfity to retain its native relative position on the earth; that is to fay, it turns upon an axis like the earth, one point always pointing at the pole star. Beyond the line, this point upon the ball is below the horizon; and on the shores of America the longitudinal line, which now is its meridian, was far down the fide: fo that if he had failed round the earth his little ball would have made a complete revolution upon its axis."

The following recipe, for preserving provisions, which is eminently useful to navigators in hot climates, has appeared in a French journal:-"When the aliments, from intense heatand long keeping, are likely to pass into a state of corruption," fays the writer, "the simple but fure mode of keeping them found and healthful, is by putting a few pieces of charcoal into your pot or faucepan where the fish or meat is to be boiled. effects of this are, that your foup will be good, and that the fish or flesh will be both found and agreeable to the taste." This experiment has been tried, and should not be forgotten. -

Vaccine Process—Several attempts have been made to introduce the Cow pock into India, but hitherto without success: the Vaccine matter has been transmitted from Constantinople to Bufforah, and thence to Bombay, but it has become unfit for use during the passage.—The India Company have directed their Agent at Bussorah, to inacculate some person there, and from that fresh subject, to transmit to Bombay the means for extending the practice.

To parts burned or fealded the speedy application of turpentine is an effectual mode of allaying pain.

MARRIAGES.

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CAPTAIN TEDLEY, of the Coldstream Guards, to Miss Warren, only daughter of Rear-Admiral Sir John Borlase Warren, K. B.

Robert Dallas, esq. M. P. and one of his Majesty's counsel, to Miss Justina

Davidson, of Bedford-square.

Lord Viscount Falkland to Miss An-

Henry Joddrell, esq. of Bayfield, in the county of Norfolk, M. P. to Miss Weyland.

Thomas Tooke, efq. of North End, to Mil's Coombe, daughter of Dr. Coombe.

### MONTHLY OBITUARY.

AUGUST 10.

T Biggar, the Rev. Robert Paterson, A minister of the relief congregation

13. At Manchester, in his 84th year, Mr. James Ogden, a person said to be well known in the literary world.

Morris Jones, esq. of Lower Belgrave-

place, Pimlico.

14. At Lilliput, near Deal, Captain Winkworth, of the navy.

At Penrith, in his 87th year, Mr.

William Faulder. 16. Mr. John Morland, merchant, at

Liverpool, aged 30: 18. At South Ormfby, Lincolnshire,

William Burrell Massingberd, esq. in his 84th year.

Edward Hippefley, esq. of Islesworth, one of the directors of the South Sea

Company.

19 At Windsor Castie, Mrs. Ramsbottom, wife of James Ramsbottom, esq. and youngest daughter of the Rev. F. Langford, canon of Windfor.

At Worthing, the Hon. Augustus Philip Monckton, third fon of Viscount

Galway.

At Wickham Court, in Kent, Sir John

Farnaby, bart.

20. In his 66th year, the Rev. John Bell, rector of Crux Pavement and St. Martin Walmgate, and curate of the per-petual curacy of St. Sampson, all in York. Also master of the grammar. fchool endowed by William Haughton,

esq. formerly of that city.

Lately, at Roxley, in Hertfordshire, Mr. Robert Thew, historical engraver to the Prince of Wales. He was born in Yorkshire about the year 1758, and was a man of very extraordinary mechanical genius, which had but little cultivation, as his education was almost entirely neglected. He was apprenticed to a cooper, and which trade he afterwards for some time followed: he then applied himfelf to the study of optics, and made a very curious camera obscura on a new princi-

ple, which gained him the patronage of the Marquis of Carmarthen (afterwards Duke of Leeds). At the age of twentyeight, happening to fee an engraver at work, though he had never practifed drawing, he got a copper-plate, and engraved an old woman's head from a painting of Gerard Dowe, which first attempt was fo very extraordinary, that he was appointed historical engraver to the Prince of Wales. He fince engraved a number of capital plates from the paintings of Sir Joshua Reynolds, Shee, Westal, Smirke, Fuseli, Northcote, Peters, &c.

21. Mr. Rickaby, printer, of Peter-

borough-court.

Mrs. Leverton, wife of Mr. Leverton, archite&t.

24. Timothy Caswell, esq. of Sacombe Park, Herts.

Mr. John Renshaw, of Owshorpe, near

Nottingham.

Lately, at Leicester, the Rev. William Arnald, D. D. canon of Windsor, precentor of Litchfield, and formerly fubprecentor to the Prince of Wales.

25. Mr. Benjamin Dyson, of York,

aged 57.

26. Richard Stone, esq. of Chislehurst. At Seal, in Kent, Mr. Nathaniel Darwin, of Oxford-street, aged 64.

The Rev. Charles Sturgess, jun. M. A. fellow of King's College, Cani-

bridge, in his 27th year. At Hales Place, near Canterbury, Sir

Edward Hales, bart.

At Govan Bank, near Glasgow, John Macgregor, of New York, merchant.

Lately, at Dublin, Margaret Cecil Hamilton, viscountess dowager Southwell, in the 31st year of her age.

Lately, at Limerick, the Right Hon. Lady Glentworth, relict of the late Lord Bishop of Limerick.

28. At Southampton, Lady Jane Terry, fifter to the Earl of Dyfart.

James Stewart, esq. of Carnevran, in his 88th year.

29. In

29. In the King's Bench Prison, M. Bossi, a musician of eminent talents.

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30. John Eddowes, esq. of Bridge-

Areet, Black Friars, aged 81.

Lately, at the Curragh of Kildare, Mr. Marmaduke Bell, the deputy-ranger, aged 108. He was a rider at the York races in 1714.

31. Baden Powell, efq. of Loughton,

Essex, in his 72d year.

SEPT. 1. Mr. William Annand, of Little Love-lane, Aldermanbury.

Richard Lawrence, esq. of Champion-

hill, Surrey.

4. Robert Stewart, esq. of Benny. The Rev. Francis Belt, rector of South

Dalton, Yorkshire.

5. At Buxton, in Derbyshire, in his 56th year, the Right Hon. Henry Thomas Fox Strangeways, Earl of Ilchester, Lord Ilchester and Stavordale, Baron Strangeways, of Woodford Strangeways, in Dorfetshire, and Redlinch, in Somerfetshire.

At Ingleby, Sir William Foulis, bart.

high-sheriff of Yorkshire.

William Newman, eq. alderman of Farringdon Within, to which he was chosen in 1786.

7. At Liverpool, Mr. William Williams, late of Halifax, Nova Scotia, merchant.

8. Mr. James Cockburn, merchant,

Lime-street-square.

Lately, in France, Bianchi, the famous

violin-player and compoter.

9. At Royden Hall, Mrs. Wynch, relict of Alexander Wynch, esq. late governor of Madras.

Robert Sinclair, one of the principal

clerks of fellion.

10. In Grafton-street, Fitzroy-square, Peter Corbett, esq. late of the East India House.

Mr. Devenish, Villiers-street, Strand. Lately, at Gore House, near Dartford, Major Edward Vernon Ward.

12. At Hampstead, Mr. Jean, the artist, in the 47th year of his age.

At Rathbone-place, John Maseres, esq. aged 68, brother to Francis Materes, cursitor baron of the exchequer.

15. Mr. Thomas Watkinson, Water-

street, Bridewell Precinct.

16. John Sykes, etq. Nichols-square. Lately, the Right Hon. Ralph Gore, earl of Ross, of the kingdom of Ireland. He was born Nov. 12, 1725.

17. Richard Owen Cambridge, at

Twickenham, in his 86th year. He was author of "The Scribleriad, a Mock Heroick Poem, in fix Books." 4to. 1751. " An Account of the War in India, between the English and French, on the Coast of Coromandel, from the Year 1750 to 1760, &c." 4to. 1761. Some poems in the fixth volume of Dodfley's Collection, and some papers in " The World."-As an Author, Mr. Cambridge was well known to the public by his feveral much approved writings, both in profe and verse; and his various and extensive information, his pure and classical taste, his brilliant yet harmless wit, his uncommon cheerfulness and vivacity, were acknowledged, during a long feries of years, by all who had the happiness of enjoying his fociety, which was fought for and highly valued by many of the most distinguished scholars and statesmen of this country. But his talents and his acquirements make the least part of the praise belonging to him. It is chiefly for the upright manliness and independence of his mind, for his mild and benevolent disposition, his warm and unvaried affection to his family and friends, his kindness to his dependents, and for his firm faith and trust in the Christian religion, which were manifested through life by the practice of every Christian duty, and produced the most exemplary patience under the various infirmities of a tedious decline, that those who were near witnesses of his amiableness and worth, will continue to cherish the memory of this excellent man, and to reflect with pleasure on his many virtues.

DEATHS ABROAD.

JAN. 26. At Bengal, Captain George Simpson, of the Earl of Mornington East India packet.

31. At Trichinopoly, Lieut. Colonel

James Graham.

At Fort William, Bengal, Francis Godfrey, etq. of Dublin, paymaster of his Majesty's 10th regiment.

JUNE 10. At Trinidad, William Buller, efq. collector of the customs in that island, and nephew of the late Judge and Bishop of that name.

At Trinidad, Mr. Thomas Parkinfon,

a native of Lancaster.

Aug. 22. At Porto, Mr. Ric. Harris, many years a merchant at that place.

JUNE 17. At Barbadoes, Henry St. John Bearcroft, etq. in his 20th year.

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