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The Poem on Peace is too long for insertion. We are obliged to the Author. The same to D. C.'s communication, which is left at Mr. Sewell's. Σ and Z are received. The latter must be considered before inserted. The Lines to Ambrose Pitman, Esq. in our next.

*** In the List of the New Parliament, in our present Number, page 297, it must be observed, that the Right Hon. Charles Abbott, and three or four other Gentlemen, are returned for more than one place each; and their election of the place for which they will eventually choose to sit being not possible to be yet known, their names appear as duplicates.

Errata in the List given in our Magazine for August:

Page 147, Bridgnorth; for I Hawks. Browne, read Isaac Hawkins Browne.

Page 148, Ludlow; for R. Payne, Knt. read R. Payne Knight.

Page 150, Kintore, &c.; for Banff, read Bamff.

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SOME ACCOUNT OF THOMAS ASTLE, ESQ. F. R. S. AND F. S. A.

KEEPER OF THE RECORDS IN THE TOWER OF LONDON, ONE OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BRITISH MUSEUM, &c. &c.

[WITH A PORTRAIT.]

TAD antiquarian refearches been Majesty, by his Royal Commission, apview to the acquisition of useful know- tend the methodizing of the Records ledge, as they have been by the very learned and ingenious Gentleman State Paper Office at Whitehall. whose Portrait embellishes our present Number, the shafts of satire and of ridicule had probably never been levelled against them: at least they would have fallen unheeded to the ground.

MR. ASTLE, we understand, is a native of Yoxall, on the borders of Needwood Forest, in Staffordshire; and was born on the 22d December 1735. From his youth he was of a studious turn of mind; and his education well qualified him for indulging

so laudable a propensity.

His original deftination, we believe, was the profession of the law; but, as a public character, we hear of him first in the year 1763; when he was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London, and was patronized by Mr. George Grenville, then First Lord of the Treasury and Chancellor of the Exchequer, who employed him both in his public and confidential concerns, and in the same year joined him in a commission with the late Sir Joseph Aylosse, Bart. and Dr. Ducarel, for superintending the regulating of the public records at Weltminster .- In 1764 his

always purfued with as direct a pointed the same persons to superinof State and Council preferved in the

The office of Receiver-General of the Civil List Deductions was given to him in 1765; and on the 18th of December in the same year, Mr. Astle married the only daughter and heir of the Rev. Mr. Philip Morant, of Colchefter *, with whom he received a confiderable fortune, and who, for the happiness of her family, is still living.

In 1766, he was admitted a Fellow of the Royal Society of London; and in the same year was confulted by a Committee of the House of Lords, concerning the printing of the ancient records of Parliament. In 1767, he introduced his father-in-law, Mr. Morant, to the fuperintendance of that work; and on Mr. M.'s death, November 1770, he was appointed by the House of Peers to carry on the same: in which service he indefatigably employed himself till its completion in 1775. In the same year he was appointed his Majesty's Chief Clerk in the Record Office in " Tower of London, vacant by the of Henry Rooke, Efg.

On the 4th of July elected a Member of t' Antiquaries at Cassel, On the 30th of Do

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^{*} Author of "The History and Antiquities of Colchester tory of Effex," 2 vols. folio; all the lives in the Biographia and feveral other effeemed works.

Aftle was appointed to succeed the Right Hon. Sir John Shelly, Bart. deceased, as Keeper of the Rolls and Records in the Tower of London.—Mr. Attle has procured for the use of the Tower, by purchase, several valuable Calendars; and has with great affiduity employed himself and Clerks in making Repertories and Indexes to the Records in that office; which will be of great public utility, and remain lasting monuments of his industry, as appears by his Report laid before the Committee of the House of Commons, hereaster mentioned.

In February 1786 he was elected an Honorary Member of the Royal Society

of Edinburgh.

On the 1st of September following, the Volcian Literary Society at Veletri in Italy (about twenty miles from Rome), of which Cardinal Borgia was President, alsoen rolled Mr. Astle among its Honorary Members.

March 20, 1787, he was elected a Trustee of the British Museum; and On the 11th of June 1788, he was

constituted a Member of the Royal Islandic Literary Society established

in that year at Copenhagen.

In the year 1799, a Select Committee of the House of Commons was appointed to enquire into the state of the public records, and of fuch other public instruments, rolis, books, and papers, as they should think proper; and to report to the House the nature and condition thereof, together with what they thould judge fit to be done for the better arrangement, prefervation, and more convenient use of the same. They agreed on their Report, which was ordered to be printed on the 4th of July 1800; whereupon the House, on the 11th of the same month, presented an Address to his Majesty, recommending many important regulations to be made in feveral of the public repositories, and the printing of such records as were the most important; befeeching his Majesty to give such directions as he in his wif-

hould think fit, for the better ent, preservation, and more ofe of the said records. The same month, his is Royal Commillion oners therein named, ourry into executioned by the respecting the gdom.

Mr. Astle was consulted by the Committee in the whole course of their inquiries; and, pursuant to their order of February 21, he, on the 11th of March following, delivered to them an able report of the nature and condition of the several records preserved in the Tower. He also laid before the Committee, in obedience to their orders, several other reports concerning the public records, which are printed in their First Report. See Pages 52, 68, 496, 505.

On the 4th of July 1800, the Select Committee came to the following Re-

folution:

"Refolved,
"That the Thanks of this Committee be given to Thomas Aftle, Equire, Keeper of the Records in the Tower of London, and one of the Truftees of the British Museum, &c. &c. &c. for the very able and learned affishance which he has rendered to this Committee throughout the prosecution of their inquiries:

" And, That the Chairman of this Committee be requested to communi-

cate the fame.

"CHARLES ABBOT,

That these honourable marks of distinction, domestic and foreign, have not been lightly earned, or undefervedly bestowed, will be apparent in the following brief enumeration of Mr. Astle's literary labours, so far as they have come to our knowledge. We shall be happy to make the list more complete, if any authentic information should be hereaster communicated to us.

In 1775 he published the Will of King Henry the VIIth; to which is prefixed, a judicious Preface, wherein the character of that King is delineated with ability and precision, and several curious circumstances relative to that

reign are recorded.

February 22, 1776, Mr. Astle laid before the Society of Antiquaries, An Account of the Events produced in England by Pope Innocent the Fourth's extraordinary Grant of the Kingdom of Sicily to Prince Edmund, Second Son of King Henry the Third; printed in the fourth volume of the Archeologia, page 195.—Mr. A. remarks, that the Commons were first summoned to the Parliament called by Leicester in opposition to Henry's demands.

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In 1784 he published his great work, "On the Origin and Progress of Writing, as well Hieroglyphic as Elementary. Illustrated by Engravings taken from Marbles, Manuscripts, and Charters, ancient and modern. Also, Some Account of the Origin and Progress of Printing:" a new edition of which, we understand, is in preparation, and will speedily be published *.

In the feventh volume of the Archæologia, page 348, is a Differtation by Mr. Astle, read before the Society of Antiquaries, January 13, 1785, on the radical Letters of the Pelasgians and

their Derivatives.

In 1789, the Society published two Engravings of a Reliquary in his posfession, said to have been formerly preferved in the Abbey of Malmesbury, with an Account of it by Mr. Astle. V. Monumenta Vetusa, Vol. II.

On the 3d of February 1791, Mr. Aftle's Observations on a Charter of King Edgar were read at the Society, to invalidate the Authenticity of that Charter. V. Archæologia, Vol. X.

P. 232.

On the 17th of the same month were read, Observations by Mr. Astle on another spurious Charter of that King, and printed in the same volume.—These Observations contain many curious facts, authenticated by original documents in Mr. Astle's invaluable collection of Saxon charters, wills, and other instruments.

In 1792, the Council of the Antiquary Society appointed a Committee, to consider of engraving such Seals of the King's Royal Boroughs, and Magnates of Scotland, as had not before been published; with directions to felect fuch as, in their opinion, were most worthy of attention. Many curious Seals were selected from original documents, which are engraven in five folio plates, and were published in the Monumenta Vetusta, Vol. III. The records to which these Seals are appendant chiefly relate to public transactions between England and Scotland. They furnith many new and important historical and biographical facts, and explain many particulars in our national history, which have been hitherto misrepresented or not understood. The records precended to have been found in Scotland by John Harding, with a view to shew the superiority of the Crown of England over that of Scotland, are proved to be spurious.

On May 22, 1794, Mr. Aftle laid before the Antiquary Society a Differtation on the Tenures, Customs, &c. of his Manor of Great Tey, in Effex. V. Archæologia, Vol. XII. p. 25.

January 11, 1798, were read before the Society, Observations on Stone Pillars, Crosses, and Crucifixes, by Mr. Aftle; printed in the Archæologia,

Vol. XIII. p. 208.

February 1802, Mr. Aftle's Remarks on the Anachronisms and Inaccuracies of our Writers, respecting the Times of the Assembling of Parliaments, and of the Dates of Treaties, Grants, Charters, and other Instruments, as well public as private, were read before the

Society of Antiquaries.

Few persons, we believe, have, for the last thirty years, written on the history, laws, constitution, and antiquities of this country, without having been materially indebted to the liberal and obliging communications of this Gentleman; whose disposition to promote literary pursuits every one must know that has the pleasure of his acquaintance; and whose power to do so no one can doubt who has been admitted to an inspection of his invaluable library; perhaps the richest, in point of curious and antient MSS. that can be found in the possession of any private Gentleman in the kingdom.

Mr. Aftle, we understand, has had nine children, fix of whom are now living; namely, Thomas, Senior Captain in the Royal Bucks. Regiment of Militia; Philip, of Colne Park, Essex, who for the possession of a considerable estate changed his name to that of Hills; Edward, an Officer in the Exchequer; George, in the Navy, now or late commanding a squadron of his Majesty's ships off the Molucca Islands; and two highly-accomplished daughters.

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^{*} For an account of this Work fee our Magazine for May 1784, and the Critical Review for May and June in the same year.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

SIR

WILL you allow me to make the following addition to the account of the late Dr. GARNETT, in your Magazine for July last. By his untimely and lamented death, two infant girls are deprived of an only surviving parent, and lest, in a great measure, dependant on the event of a subscription, undertaken to defray the expences of publishing their sather's Lectures on "Zoonomia, or the Laws of Animal Life," and with the view to

raise a fund for their future support, if in an humble, but independent station."—Under these circumstances, will the friends of humanity think it too much to assert, that the orphan samily of a man who devoted himself and his fortunes to the public service, and fell a facrisce to his exertions, is eminently entitled to public protection and benevolence.

I am, Sir, &c.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

SIR

Having met by chance with the inclosed Paper, which the Author of it calls "GOLDEN RULES FOR A MAN TO LIVE ALL THE DAYS OF HIS LIFE," I fend it for insertion in your esteemed publication, if you think it merits a place therein.

22d October.

D.

THE prefent pleasures produced by a large expense of money by no means balance the future miseries of a wasted parrimony, dislipated fortunes, and a decayed constitution.

There is great reason for us to make a reserve of property against the day of decrepitude; because, in old age, we want chiefly those comforts which only money can procure; a comfortable house, delicate living, and a little share of authority, which, in the last stage of life, are exceedingly soothing and acceptable.

Perhaps feciety cannot shew a more pitiable figure, than either a very old man or woman, who, having spent their substance in the flattering gaieties of youth, are reduced, in the most helple's situation, to live upon accidental strokes of generosity, and to be at once ridiculed and relieved.

If an old person expects to receive the least degree of attention from the world in general, or even from his relations in particular, it must be by the force of happy circumstances in his favour; such, for indance, as arise out of a fortune accumulated by the industry or ingenuity of youth. This will render the veteran respectable amongst his domestics, and make even his utmost infimities supportable. Whereas, if an old man has no testimonies of

his economy to shew, he will crawl contemptibly about the world, be upbraided for his former prodigality, even by his own children, who, having no hopes, will consider him as an incumbrance; and, wanting the various attentions which are necessary to the accommodation of the last scene, his continuance in the family will be irksfome, his life must be supported by the contribution of the charitable, and he must die unmourned. Keep a competent share of the staff in thine hand.

The same principle of prudence which makes it necessary for a man to provide against the wants and infimities of age, should prevail with a man to provide against the wants and infimities of distemper. Let the fick man rather depend on the panacea of his purse, than on the pity of his physician.

A very healthy person is very soon reduced to his chamber:—and we are all liable to the most nauseous disorders. It often happens, that a flout young man, in the very vigour of existence, is brought to such a state as to depend on the servitude of another for assistance in those very points which, in a state of health, he would blush to make known to a second person. If these seedlenesses continue for any length of time, nothing but the power

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of paying our attendants well can make them be done cheerfully, if at all. A fick spendthrift is therefore a horrid spectacle; his servants become negligent; his physician gives him now and then a call upon the score of humanity; and, what is worse than all, he rebukes himself for having squandered, in the hour of supersluity, what should have been reserved for the moment of exigence.

Art thou rich? Place then circumfpection as a centinel over thy passions; lest that which thou possesses become a

prey to artifice !

Art thou poor? Be industry thy guard, lest thou should want the bread of life; and, in wanting that, the path of disgrace is not remote, and that path will lead thee, peradventure, to the pits of misery and destruction. Condescend not to be the object either of pity or charity, whilst thou hast limbs to toil, imagination to suggest, or health to perform. Liberty is independence, and slavery is a state of pecuniary obligation. Get honestly, and give cautiously. Whoso putteth in practice these rules, shall certainly Live all. The Days of his Life.

LINES ON THE FALL OF THE YEAR.

BY THOMAS ENORT SMITH.

His leafy robe pale Autumn now re-

*** Chill'd by rude" winds which chide his lingering flav;

Whilst marching on from bleak tempessuous climes,

Fierce Winter now refumes his despot

Stripp'd of its verdure, now's the landscape bare;

Its charms all perish'd we no more behold; Wither'd and wan lie firewn on Earth's cold bier [ting'd with gold.

Her rich drefs'd flowers and fruitage
Emblem of thee, proud Man! the feafons'

doom. [round thee gav, Tho' youth's fresh honours now fur-When Age, destroying, shall, like Win-

When Age, destroying, shall, like Winter come,
And round thy temples hang her whitest

grey. Little St. Thomas Apostie's, London.

* This line I confess to be an inferior imitation of the one commencing the beautiful Epilogue written by the present inimitable son of Wit and Genius, R. B. Sheridan, Esq. the sour first lines of which are so truly elegantly conceived and classically expressed, that I cannot resist the temptation of transcribing them.

Chill'd by rude gales, while yet reluctant May Withholds the beauties of the vernal day; As some fond nymph, whom matron frowns reprove, Suspends the smile her heart devotes to love.

The measure of these verses meets the ear with the same exquisite flow of harmony as the Ectogues of the highly-poetical Collins. Perhaps Mr. Sheridan had these two lives of Goldsmith's Traveller in his memory when he wrote the above, where, speaking of Switzerland, he says,

No verdure here these torpid rocks array, But Winter lingering chills the lap of May.

I do not mean to charge Mr. S. with an instance of plagiarism; his mind being truly original in all its aims: as a Poet, allowed by his Monody on the Death of the late British Roscius David Garrick, Esq. and other ingenious miscellanies; as a Dramatish, that great judge of literature, Dr. Johnson, allows the palm of merit to his productions above all others since the days of Congreve, Wycherly, Vanburgh, and Farquhar; as an Orator, after having heard his Demothenian speech against Warren Hastings, Esq. Our late English Cicero, Edmund Burke, declared Mr. Sheridan's luminous and comprehensive speech possessed every requisite of perfect human eloquence; and ventured turther to say, not forgetting the thundering conviction that flowed from the late Lord Chatham's sips, not forgetting the respect policy of speech his present son our late Minister possesses, non-setting aside the argumentice venturence

LYCOPHRON's CASSANDRA.

L. 864.

Χέρσου μέγαν τός Βυγγα δωρείται κτίσαι.

Magnum terræ cacumen donat ad condendum.

I ACINIUM is a promontory near Croton in Italy. Its temple, which was dedicated to Juno, has been celebrated by historians and poets. Caffandra's attention is more immediately directed towards the spot, on which this temple was afterwards built. She foretells that the ground, which extends from Lacinium's bay to the fummit of its cliff, shall be planted by Thetis with thrubs; and shall be presented by her to Juno. Here women, natives of the country, shall be appointed to superintend those mournful rites, which shall be instituted to the memory of the fon of Thetis. Their drefs shall be suited to their effice. They shall not be splendidly attired; but appear in the weeds of mourners, employed in lamenting the death of Achilles. The reason, affigned for their not being decorated with gold and purple, is far from being fatisfactory.

χέρσου μέγαν σόρθυς για δυρείται απίσαι.
— because Thetis gives to Juno this large neck of land απίσαι, i. e. πρὸς τὸ απίσαι, ad condendum. Κπίσαι, as a verb transitive, requires its accusative case; and the sense, as it should seem, demands it. Κπίσαι πόλιν, ἐορτὰν, εωριὰν, are expressions that occur in Pindar. Κπίσει πύργους are Lycophron's own words, L. 1255.

One cannot help remarking, that no mention is made of Juno's famous temple; but only of its circumjacent grounds. Perhaps Lycophron has told us in a line that is loft, and which ought to have followed xtioai, that Thetis gave Juno this land for the purpose of building her temple; to which these women should refort, in order to perform the rites, and all This would have been a good reason, why they thus constantly employed, ought never to have appeared gaily habited. The paffage has certainly not reached us as the poet wrote it. We may observe here a change of tenses from the future, as τεύξει above, to the present δωρείται. But this change may be accounted for. It is cultomary with perfons, who affume the character of prophets, to speak of things future as present : with a view to impress the more strongly on the reader's mind the certainty of their predictions. Och, we know, fignifies both a god and a goddess. It is here, and only here, used in the latter fense. To ascertain that fense, it might have been expected. that the poet would have prefixed with his usual accuracy the article Perhaps we ought to read, oiven' Dea Dedge

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vehemence and heart-felt fentiments of the great Charles James Fox; he summed up all praise by concluding, that what he had heard that day from Mr. Sheridan exceeded every thing he had heard within the walls of that House (of Commons) before.

I hear with pleasure, that Mr. S. is now employing his successful pen upon some dramatic piece. If true, whether it proves a Comedy, Farce, or Opera, the Public are sure of a treat; for who that has read or seen his inimitable School for Scandal, his Critic, or a Tragedy Rehearsed, his Duenna, besides his other pieces, can dare give room to the suspicious idea that it will not be favourably received 2

VESTIGES, COLLECTED AND RECOLLECTED,

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NUMBER IV.

ANDREW SCHALCH, ESQ. ORIGINAL OF THE LABORATORY AND FOUNDRY WOOLWICH WARREN.

When the Foundry for brafs ordnance was in Upper Moorfields,
on the spot which is now the site of the
Tabernacle erected by the late Rev.
Mr. Whitfield, in the City Road, near
Finsbury-square, and which is still
called the Foundry, from the building
that had perhaps continued from the
fourteenth century to the reign of
George the First; it was, at the time a
number of pieces were to be cast, generally an object of curiosity, among
persons of even the upper rank of
of ociety, to see the process of running
the sluid metal into the moulds prepared for its reception.

These moulds, it is necessary to state, are formed of Stourbridge clay, loom, sand, and earth, bound and connected with bricks, iron hoops, &c.; and in this operation it is absolutely necessary, in order to insure the safety of the workmen, &c. that they should not only be closely and firmly constructed, so that no fissure should remain to cause what the artificers term ablow or windhole, but also that they should be perfectly dry; for if they remained the smalless moissure when the melted metal run, the opposition of intense heat and damp would inevitably cause an explosion

For a confiderable time after the conclusion of the Treaty of Utrecht, a great number of cannon taken from the French in the ten glorious campaigns of the Duke of Mariborough, but by them rendered useles, were placed before this Foundry, and in the adjacent Artillery Ground: they were perhaps exhibited as objects of curiosity, perhaps of triumph, as, it will be recol-

lected, those taken at Cherburg were in the summer of the year 1758 *.

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These cannon, from what soever motive (probably that of convenience) they were placed near the Foundry, it was determined to recast, and as, by their having been fo long publickly exposed, this was a circumstance generally known, the operation became an object of confiderable attraction. A very great number of perions attended at the Foundry the day it was to be performed; among whom were many of the Nobility, General Officers, &c. &c. It so happened, that a young man, of the name of Andrew Schalch, a native of Shaffhausen, who had in the course of his travels (which every Burger is obliged by the municipal law to take) been a scientific observer of the operation of several foundries upon the Continent, was also attracted to this spot. Curiosity, or, perhaps, as he was a person of considerable learning and genius, a better motive, a laudable desire of improvement in an art, the principles of which he had studied, induced him to be there at an early hour. He had, when he announced his profession, an opportunity given him to inspect the works, and it appears that he did this with fuch minute attention, as the event shewed to be the result of ability and experi-

When the company had affembled, for whose reception galleries were erected, part of which almost overhung the furnace, Schalch, who trembled for the consequence of the operation, took an opportunity to address Colonel Armstrong in French; and after explaining to him the reason he had to believe that an explosion would follow the fusion of the metal, warned him,

* At this period twenty-one pieces of cannon and four mortars, upon carriages, were exposed for a confiderable time in Hyde Park, where a camp was formed, confishing of some companies of the artillery. The scene was a very gay and fplendid one. Booths for refreshment were allowed to be etested, and the Park was like a fair. These pieces were afterwards drawn in triumph through the City, and placed in the Tower.

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which warning he defired he would communicate to the persons present, to retire. The Colonel, who, from his fituation *, perfectly understood the nature of the process, interrogated Schalch, and found that he was intimately acquainted not only with the great phytical and mechanical principles by which the art is governed, but also its subordinate operations. He accordingly resolved to profit by his advice, which he immediately communicated to his own party, and indeed endeavoured to perfuade all that would listen to him to remove from the vortex of danger. Scarce had they time to retire to a place of fecurity before the gates of the furnaces were opened, and the fluid metal rushed out with a tremendous noise, which, as it filled the moulds, was (as Schalch had fuggested) followed by a most dreadful explosion, in which the liquid fire, bricks, &c. flew about in every direction, the furnaces were demolished, part of the roof of the Foundry blown off, the galleries fell, many limbs were broken, I believe some lives lost, and most of the workmen scorched and bruised in a dreadful manner +.

Schalch had in the interim left the place. He mentioned the neglect of the principal founder, the inattention of the workmen to their own fafety, and the warning he had given to Colonel Armftrong, to fome of his countrymen; but he probably would never have thought of these circumstances again, had he not, after some time had elapsed, been informed by an

acquaintance, that an advertisement had appeared in some of the public papers, stating, in effect, that " Whereas, on the day of , when the dreadful explosion happened at the Foundry, Moorfields, a young man (a foreigner) thood near to Colonel Armstrong, and after some conversation in French, in which he discovered a proficiency in the art of casting cannon, warned him, to whom, from the state of the moulds, he suggested the probability of an explosion, to remove from the spot. If the said young man will call upon Colonel Armstrong, at the Tower, he will hear of something to his advantage."

It will not be doubted but that, in compliance with this intimation, Schalch immediately attended the Colonel, by whom he was informed, that in confequence of the accident that had lately happened, it was in the contemplation of the Board of Ordnance to erect another foundry, and being convinced, by the skill and knowledge which he had displayed, that he would be a proper person to take the direction of it, he was therefore authorized to commission him to choose a spot whereon fuch a building might be erected, with the greatest convenience to the extensive operations of the works, and for the carriage of the heavy materials.

Elated with this commission, and with the place which a conjunction of merit and good fortune had procured him, Schalch set immediately about the execution of the first part

* Surveyor General of the Ordrance 1716. George Harrison, Esq. was Superintendant of the Foundries, in which place he succeeded Colonel A.

† An explosion of a similar nature, arising from a natural cause, was experienced in the course of last summer, as appears from the following extract, September 25.
4 the late thunder-storm in Colebrock-dale, the contents of one of the furnaces belonging to the Company, confissing of about 2000 cubic seet of ore, limestone, &c. were blown up, in consequence of the sudden ingress of the water, occasioned by the overslowing of the dams. The instant the water entered the surnace, a dreadful explosion took place, and a column of melted and red hot mineral was discharged into the air, in a perpendicular direction, upwards of 150 feet. The explosion was repeated two or three times, accompanied by a brilliant column of sire, the heat of which was so intente that it was selt at ieveral hundred yards diffuser.

This is an exact, and confequently philosophical, explanation of the latent causes of those phenomena, the explosions of Mounts Vesuuus and Etna, and indeed of the ebultitions of volcances in general. This speculation has by Dr. Walis, Mr. Boyle, Fa. Aless. de Burgos, been adopted, and the terrific operations of earthquakes traced to the same source of subterranean elementary contention arising from adventitious circumstances. Dr. Woodward is of the same opinion with respect to these phenomena; and surther observes, that Vesuvius, Etna, Hecla, &c. are only spiracles for the discharge of the subterraneous sire.

of his employment. He therefore vifited every spot near the river, both above and below London Bridge, where there was a probability of finding a place fuitable to the great undertaking with which he was charged. After maturely confidering the advantages and disadvantages attendant upon every fituation that was pointed out to him, he at last fixed upon the Warren at Woolwich, a place which he conceived to combine every convenience that he wished, for the prosecution of this important work. Here the found, ry was erected, and its first specimens afforded fuch fatisfaction, that Andrew Schalch was nominated and continued Matter-Founder for a feries of (I think) more than fifty years. And what was very extraordinary, from his scientific knowledge and attention, he had not, during this very long period, a fingle accident; but, by the fafe and certain operation of these works, derived great honour to himself, while they were immensely advantageous to the coun-

He lived to about the age of ninety, having, in the indefatigable pursuit of his art, acquired a very large fortune. He had one daughter, who was married to General Belford, of the Artillery; who has left many descendants, that are all most honourably and advantageously settled. As are also all his collateral relations, many of whom were Officers of considerable rank in the Artillery, &c.

There was a remarkable circumstance attendant upon the operations of the Royal Foundry in his time, which deferves to be recorded, as it shews his sensibility of the danger to which the workmen were exposed, and the religious tendency of his mind, namely, that he never would suffer the surraces to be opened until they and the spectators had joined with him in prayer. These pious effusions, as I have observed, of his ingenious and scientific efforts, were rewarded by the accuracy and safety that uniformly attended the hazardous processes of the works in which he was engaged.

When he retired from his fituation, which he did fome years before his death, he refided at Charlton, Kent, where, at the advanced age already flated, he ended a life of public utility and integrity in a manner which shewed the gradual operation of time upon a mind long trained to the habits of re-

flection and composure.

This short anecdote naturally leads us to reflect how frequently chance, as it is termed, fixes the fortune of an individual, and in a manner sometimes unaccountable, even to himself, places him in a fituation where his faculties, which would, perhaps, in any other sphere of life have lain dormant, or, by taking a wrong direction, have impeded his progress, are called into action, and his merit rendered conspicuous. But this case presupposes a foundation both of talents and industry, or the superstructure of fortune will foon fall to the ground. Schalch had from an education under a father who inherited the piety and virtue, as he did the living, of his grandfather the pastor of Shaffhausen *, the foun-

* This venerable Clergyman, who was also the great grandsather of the late G. M. Moser, Esq. and consequently the ancestor of the reporter of this anecdote, was so remarkable for his piety, learning, philanthropy, and ingenuity, that his name is still recorded, and his memory still revered, by the inhabitants of this small canton (Shaff hausen), who have been impressed with a traditional respect for his virtues. I have an admirably executed print of him, which is preserved with the greatest care by the descendants of his parishioners, and is considered as such a valuable appendage to their furniture, that it is still to be found in many houses, and even cottages, in the district.

This portrait, which was finely painted, exhibits a figure truly venerable; the face, hair, and the heard, which is white and flowing, display a specimen of engraving of almost unrivalled excellence: the following is the inscription under it:

"Admodum Reverend' et Dotiss': Vir, D: Joh, Georgius Scalichius

" Eiel Schaffusiana' Pastor et Antistes Vigilantissimus Etat 68 Ministerie 45 An = 1677

"Artifices Specimen dextra oftensurus Apelles.

" Schalichum in celebris deligit artis opus.

" Aft, ubi jam Media splenderet imagine vultus

dation of religion and the medium for the improvement of his talents laid in his mind. He had, in profecution of an excellent fystem established in that Canton, by which, as I have observed, every person is obliged to travel at least three years before he can practife in any art or profession, an opportunity to consider the progress of his, in various countries and various points of view, and ultimately accident afforded him also an opportunity to adopt the ideas he had collected, and introduce those improvements, which his observation and genius suggested, to the advantage of himself and the nation by whom he was patronized,

ROUBILLIAC, THE SCULPTOR.

This artist, when he first came to England, worked, as I have been informed, for Carter. He had been here but a short time before a circumstance happened which, combined with his genius, laid the foundation of his future fortune.

Being one evening at Vauxhall, he, as he was returning, found a pocketbook, which he took to his lodgings, and, upon examination, discovered it to contain a great number of Bank motes, and other valuable papers. This book he either immediately advertised, or took fuch other means to ascertain the owner, as were attended with fuccefs. The Gentleman who had loft this property, pleased with the integrity of the Sculptor, and struck with his genius, of which he exhibited specimens, not only gave him a confiderable remuneration, but promifed to patronife him through life; which promise he actually performed. Under his auspices, as I have also been informed, Roubilliac took the house in St. Martin's-lane, in which he refided till his decease, and, assisted by him, he was enabled, at the beginning of his career, to undertake some of those great works which have not only indelibly stamped his fame as a Sculptor, but have contributed to raise the credit of the English School, which, from the time of Bernini, had, by those immense monumental piles of distortion, and littleness which the works

of Bird, Stone, and many others, exhibit, fuffered confiderably in the opinion of those virtuosi who had formed their taste upon the classical purity and elegant proportions of the Athenian models, nay which indeed had been despised (with what reason Heaven knows!) even by those connoisseurs that had been used to the eccentric designs, flutter, and false taste, of the artists who have, during the reign of Louis the XIVth, and perhaps, in France, to a later period, contributed to immortalize absurdity.

STAVELEY, THE BARBER.

This man, who kept a shop in Wychstreet, was fo much the type of Mr. Murphy's Barber in The Upholsterer, that many were inclined to think that the ingenious Author, who has in his pieces fo accurately copied the abfurdities of nature, and founded his fame upon that species of humour which is derived from eccentricity of character, rather than upon individual buffoonery, had him in his eye when he wrote the farce in which Razor makes fo conspicuous a figure; for certain it is, that there was a strong characteristical coincidence betwixt the real and fictitious Barbers, as will be obvious if (after invoking the genius of Plutarch) I can finish my parallel to my fatisfaction.

Like friend Razor, poor Staveley's appetite for news was fo great, that he had by it been driven to infanity, and, when recovered, "could not fleep at times for thinking of his country." This inordinate defire to learn what was doing above flairs, as he termed it, used to rouse him at an early hour, and impel him to the pamphlet shop of probably one of his customers, in the neighbourhood, where, after having stored his mind with the events of the day, collected from those eminent and elegant specimens of the literature of the age, the diurnal newspapers, he used, still like Razor, to take his round, and retail the knowledge he had collected among his other customers; I had, forgetting for a moment the divorce that had been effected betwixt the two professions, almost said his

" Destitit ac : Audax molier inqit opus.

" Nam, cujus pietas, doctrina, modestia, candor,

" Fervidus ac puræ relligionis amor

"Promaritumqe decus, toto celebrantur in orbe
Qi Caperit tantum parva tabella virum?"

patients. Among the former was the celebrated reprefentative of his antitype Razor, Harry Woodward, who had chambers in the New Inn, and who had certainly caught his ideas of this character from Staveley. The fame mode of poking his head; of holding his arms; the same feeble enervated fhamble in his gait; the fame kind of banyan; and, more than all the reft, the same wig, which seemed the discarded, disbanded, dishevelled tie of a Barrister, cut down to the standard of a broad-bottomed Bob. In fact, these real and fictitious Barbers were so like each other, that a person much more accurate in his ideas than young Faulkner might have made the fame mistake that he did when he headed a party to his Foote for taking off his brother George.

Staveley, who (like Razor) was one of those volunteer Statesmen which have been fo frequently and fo admirably described by Steele, Addison, and other satirists, had so worn himself down by his political exertions, and consequently starvings, for the good of his country, that he was literally "Vox et preterea nihil;" existence without fubitance: yet although this poor tribute to his memory is (if it may be so termed) all the reward he ever obtained, he continued his labours to the lait. I have, when very young, frequently feen him tottering through the New Inn, with his pewter bason and napkin under his arm, and ewer in his hand, stopping, if he met an acquaintance, which, as he knew the whole parish, he frequently did, to enquire after, or to report, news. How often has he suffered his water to cool, and the passions of his customers to be inflamed, while he was eagerly discussing the important questions of peace or war, fettling the terms of the triple alliance, shewing in what manner the Minister of the day ought to drive the State coach, wondering what urgent business could call the consumers of oats * together fo frequently, arranging the affairs of the British fithery, opening or shutting the Scheld, making a descent on the French coast, raising the supplies, liquidating the national debt, directing the Parliament, advising the Judges, and a hundred other matters of equal magnitude. How often has he alarmed his friends with hints that the improvement of our streets was a tory scheme to pave the way for popery; while on the other hand, to thew his impartiality, he has observed, that there was fomething fo whiggish in demolishing the posts, and so puritanical in the destruction of the figns, that it is supposed to the day of his death he never gave his confent to thefe violent measures. This I can the more readily credit, because until this period I can remember his pole, though I think it "fell with him, unwilling to outlive fo good a master." Staveley had also another propenfity, which I think was also predominant in the mind of Razor: He had heard of Sacheverell, and was continually apprehensive that the Church was in danger; for which reason, I believe, he seldom went into it. This reason, I fear, operated too upon some of his customers, who might be faid to pin their faith upon his fleeve: but as many years have elapted fince his and their deaths, and the church and churches, notwithstanding they have been rudely affailed, have remained invulnerable, it is devoutly to be hoped that their fears will have no influence upon the minds of our compatriots.

OBSERVATIONS ON THE WEATHER, AND THE USE OF THE BAROMETER, WHEN APPLIED TO IMPROVEMENTS IN AGRICULTURE.

The many advantages arising to the industrious farmer from a fore-knowledge of the changes of the wea-

ther, and the example fet us by the ancient writers on Husbandry, are fufficient inducements for endeavour-

At this period an advertisement frequently appeared in the public papers, stating, that the Consumers of Oats were requested to meet on certain days at the Ram Inn, Smithsfield. This was repeated so often, that it excited curiosity, and was, I think, mentioned by Razor on the Stage. Whether the Consumers of Oats were of the Houyhum or Yahoo species, it is of little importance to enquire?

ing to draw the attention of Husbandmen to observations which must be

highly useful to them.

It might have been expected, that as fuch great improvements have been made in natural enquiries during the two last centuries, a more accurate account of weather might have been attained; yet the earliest writers on hufbandry feem to have established more certain prognoftics of the changes of the weather, peculiar to their climates, than any have done for ours; though it may be prefumed, that the operations of nature are set in a much clearer light to us, by means of the many discoveries made by the moderns.

The ancients, observing that the weather of each feafon fet in nearly at a flated time, imputed the qualities of the weather to the influence of some stars which happened then to rife or fet. In after times, monks and deligning priefts, being willing to procure every merit to their faints, transferred the supposed influence of the stars to the faint whose commemoration happened near the fame time. The moderns, being fensible that the inconceivable distance of the fixed stars, and the fmallness of our nearest planets, must render their influence on our atmosphere of no effect, and having little faith in faints, have, perhaps injudiciously, rejected the observations of the ancients, without duly confidering, that the facts might have been discovered first; and the stars and faints only called in, to account for these facts. The ancients indeed acted more rationally than the monks, in not fixing the changes to a day, but only to stated times of the year, as appears from Columella and Pliny.

As fome of the planets, especially Venus and Mars, are observed to difturb the motion of the Moon, and as the Moon acts fo powerfully on the tides, it has been thought probable by fome moderns, that the Moon and planets, together with the Sun, might be the causes of the most considerable changes in our atmosphere, while others, with perhaps more reason, seek for these causes in the earth itself. all doubtful matters, in which experiments or observations can be called in to our aid, experiments or observations should decide the question. Accurate journals of the weather feem to be here the proper youchers; but even thefe

are at present rather in disgrace with modern philosophers, who, finding that they cannot trace out the causes of the changes in the height of the barometer, an instrument which they can have constantly under their eyes in their closets, thence too hastily conclude, that no useful inferences can be drawn from observations on the weather: however, Mr. Claridge, who in the year 1744 published The Shepherd of Banbury's Rules to judge of the Changes of the Weather, was of a very different opinion, when he expresses himself as

" The shepherd, whose sole business it is to observe what has a reference to the flock under his care; who fpends all his days, and many of his nights, in the open air, and under the wide-spread canopy of Heaven; is obliged to take particular notice of the alterations of the weather: and when he comes to take pleasure in making such observations, it is amazing how great a progress he makes in them; and to how great a certainty he arrives, by mere dint of comparing figns and events, and by correcting one remark by another. Every thing, in time, becomes to him a fort of weathergage. The Sun, the Moon, the stars, the clouds, the winds, the trees, the flowers, and almost all vegetables and animals with which he is acquainted, all these become, to fuch a person, instruments of real knowledge."-What Mr. Claridge fays of the shepherd may, with nearly equal reason, be said of the farmer.

The flightest observation will convince every man, that each year, and the various feafons of the year, have a peculiar character, as to rain, drought, heat, cold, &c. and as the quality of the feafons has a most fensible effect on the productions of the earth, it is evident, that it must be of the greatest advantage to the farmer to foresee the changes that may be expected; because he can thereby regulate his

labours accordingly.

When the character of the feason is once ascertained, the returns of rain, or fair weather, may be judged of with fome degree of certainty in fome years, and but scarcely guessed at in others, by means of the barometer; for in general we may expect, that when the mercury rifes high, a few days of fair weather will follow. If the mercury falls again in two or three days, but foon rifes high, without much rain,

we may expect fair weather for feveral days; and in this case, the clearest days are after the mercury begins to fall. In the same manner, if the mercury falls very low, with much rain, rifes foon, but falls again in a day or two, with rain, a continuance of bad weather may be feared. If the fecond fall does not bring much rain, but the mercury rifes gradually pretty high, it prognosticates settled good weather of some continuance. When a heavy rain has fallen upon the mercury's finking, and its continuing steadily low, the weather is fometimes fair, and promises well; but no prudent farmer should trust to such appearances. There is indeed a caution of this kind, which the poorest may profit by. When the mercury rifes high in the barometer, the air fucks up all the moisture on the surface of the earth, even though the fky be overcast, and that is a fure fign of fair weather; but if the earth continues moift, and water stands in shallow places, no trust should be put in the clearest sky, for it is in this case deceitful.

The character of the seasons is less feeady at the equinoxes, and more regular during the intermediate months. Those who favour the celestial influence on the atmosphere, think, that the changes of the weather are much regulated by the Moon's place in the zodiac, or by her fituation with regard to the Sun; but observation has not yet ascertained any thing on this head.

Whatever the causes of the changes in the weather, or, what is nearly the fame, in the motion of the quickfilver in the barometer, may be, whether celestial or terrestrial, their effects are generally felt over a confiderable extent of country at the same time. Every one may be affured of this, by comparing accounts, kept at distant places, of the play of the barometer. They will find, that the great falls or rifes happen nearly at the fame time, in almost all the northern countries of Europe; I fay nearly, because a difference will be observed, usually attending the direction of the wind. If these causes were

celestial, the effects would be universally the same, except where varied by the fituations with regard to seas, mountains, &c. As this is not the case, the causes must probably be sought for in the earth. This opinion is savoured by the observations of miners, who have been generally sensible of some prognosticating circumstances in mines, before any change of the weather appeared in the air.

Even the limited fore-knowledge, which is pointed out above, would be of fervice; for inflance, at that feafon-of the year, when it would be of confiderable advantage to judge when hay should be cut, with a prospect of fair weather to make it; and at all feafons of the year, in order to get ready every thing necessary for carrying into execution the works usual in every feafon.

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Mr. Du Hamel has very judiciously added to his journals of the weather.

an account of the state of all the vegetables or animals useful in the farm;

or, what is the fame, of the effects of the weather on them.

The ancients have observed, that the early or late arrival of birds of passage indicate the nature of the approaching feason; whether it will be early or late. fevere or mild. Linnæus has, in the fame manner, advised husbandmen to mark the first figns of a beginning vegetation of plants growing wild, and natives of the climate; for that fuch, by their early or late shooting, inform the attentive farmer of the approach of foring. He advises the husbandman to extend these remarks to different plants, whose vegetation has been observed to coincide with the times of fowing particular feeds. These are objects highly worthy of a place in a journal of the weather; as these facts will, from year to year, remain a register of the state of every article, which in any degree relate to rural economy. I shall readily fend you what observations occur to myself on their subjects, and shall be glad of those of other observers, that every possible light may be cast on these lubjects *.

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^{*} In the latter end of March, or generally in the beginning of April, the barometer finks very low, with bad weather; after which, it leldom talls lower than 29 deg. 5 min. till the latter end of September or October, when the quick filver falls again low, with floring winds, for then the winter conflitution of the air takes place; from October to April, the great falls of the barometer are from 29 deg. 5 min. to 28 deg. 5 min. femetimes lower; whereas, during the lummer conflitution of the air,

One cannot foresee what useful discoveries may occur, by means of continued observations and communications of this kind. The race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the

ftrong; even so, useful hints may occur to the countryman uninformed in philosophical principles.

OBSERVATOR.

VARIETIES IN LIFE.

The various vicifitudes of life are fufficiently numerous to ftimulate into exertion every paffion of the foul. He who cautiously reviews the scenes of existence and marks the moments as they see the before him, will find an instructive pleasure in contemplating the universal operations of nature, in tracing her through her immense progression, and in observing the emotions which she incites in the heart.

The sudden transitions of situation from one extreme to another, the strokes of strange adventure, the exaltation of some, and the desolation of others, each concurring to produce unexpected and uncommon effects, abundantly supply every passion with its proper and congenial objects; and surnishes matter enough to the contemplative for their speculation, and to the sprightly for their amusement or curiosity.

The everlasting variety of nature is indeed a magazine from whence the speculatist may draw inexhaustible ftores of thought; and the wonders of the moral, natural, and intellectual world, will accommodate him with

constant exercise for his abilities: they will prevent his heart from relaxing into a senseless neutrality, preserve its original sprightly tone, and fave it from the muddiness of stoical stagnation. The variety of the creation is the only thing which could make it lovely, fince without that variety to touch the fancy and animate the passions, a general apathy would feize upon us, and infect our bosoms with rust. It is universal variety, or a constant diversification of the scenes, that constitutes the finest pleasures of life: hence the world wears often a comic appearance; it would otherwise be a perpetual tragedy, too deep and difmal to be borne.

Hence also diversity of tempers and seasons become agreeable; for the attachments we shew to the charms of novelty are inborn, they are the inclinations we express in our infancy, and, "growing with our growth," soon establish themselves into the grand principles of our after conduct.

This reasoning is plain: for the child soon weary of one toy, weeps impatiently for another; and the man satiated with the possessions of to-day,

the quickfilver feldom falls lower than 29 deg. 5 min. It therefore follows from hence, that a fall of one tenth of an inch during the fummer, is as sure an indication of rain as a fall of between two and three tenths is in the winter.

It must be observed, that these heights of the barometer hold only in places nearly on a level with the sea; for experiments have taught us, that for every eighty feet of nearly perpendicular height the barometer is placed above the level of the sea, the quicksilver sinks one tenth of an inch: now by an accurate comparison between the motion of the barometer in inland and higher places, with its motion in a place on a level with the sea, the heights of these inland places may be pretty nearly ascertained; and observations must determine the heights of the quicksilver, which in each place denote fair and soul weather.

In all places nearly on the level with the sea, rain may be expected when the quickfilver falls below thirty inches. This points out one cause of the more frequent rains in lofty situations than in low champaign countries. Thus double the quantity of rain falls at Townly-hall, in Lancashire, that does at London.

Very heavy thunder-storms happen without sensibly affecting the barometer; and in this case the storm seldom reaches far. When a thunder-storm is attended with a fall of the barometer, its effect is much more extensive. And here I must mention an observation which I have often seen verified, viz. that when the quickliver salls very low, the weather continuing mild and the wind moderate, a violent storm happens at that time in some distant place: this accounts for a salse prognostic that the barometer has been often unjustly charged with.

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fighs for a fresh enjoyment to-mor-

The Father of Nature, therefore, knowing the defires of the beings he has formed, extending his kindness beyond the mere formation of his capacity and fenses, has benevolently indued them with objects perpetually innovating, and becoming more grateful by their changes. And thus is existence rendered agreeable without surfeit, various without disorder, and

entertaining without fatigue. There is no man fo abstracted from the common satisfactions of life, nor any fo loft in vacuity or diffipation, as to be infensible to the beauties of natural variety. Were we chained down by a cruel necessity to one class of conceptions, to act only from one narrow principle, to converse on one everlasting theme, who could support the permanent infipidity? Even he who possesses the luxuries of life soon difrelishes the disagreeable grandeur, and feels his palate and his fenses ficken with inappetency. He who was condemned for ever to his gardens or his palace, however extensive or superb, would in a short time, when the novelty of his curiofity was fatisfied, wander discontented through rooms of state and pavilions of pleafure, about bowers of verdure and through anes of flowers, lost to their accustomed enchantments; and finding every effort to escape imposlible, the level of the lawn, the tinge of the tulip, and the trophies of magnificence, would become objects of difgust; the velvet couch would disturb his repose, the music of the groves grate harshness on his ear, the profusion of the banquet displease his taste, and the Iull of streams glide smooth and beautiful in vain.

It has been observed, that happiness is not more various in its nature or degree than it is variously pursued and enjoyed. This may be seen in two common illustrations, and each will prove the necessity of variety. The man who has acquired great wealth by the labour and affiduity of many years, becomes, as it were, attached to his business, and considers it as the friend which has procured him the golden burthen, which he therefore is lefs willing to resign. Happy in the resection of saily accumulations, he refuses to take leave of those means whereby his ends may be even yet

more completely answered. On the other hand, he whose estate is the prefent of fortune, who has left him independent of toil, and given into his hands the sceptre of command, blest in the ease of his situation, seldom feels the ardour of solicitude, or engages in the drudgery of trade to increase his possessions, but prizes them which the indulgence of fortune has allowed, chiefly in proportion to the convenience or distinction which they will produce.

Thus has every station and season also its peculiar and characteristic pains and pleasures. In the first years of our being, while reason is even less forcible than instinct, we are awhile

amused by the rattle,

"Pleas'd with a feather, tickled by a ftraw:"

but observe the love of variety; the gingle of the coral, or the blaze of a button, will withdraw our attention from its former joys, and the sudden deprivation of the baubles swells the bosom with the anguish of disappointment till we burst into tears. And thus it is at a maturer age; for the same passions, more turbulent, act upon different objects, but " as senseless quite." Examine the common joys and forrows of the youth, if the expression of Pope in any degree appears doubtful: he will be found enchanted with the toys of greatness, melting away in the foftening idlenesses of courtship, or bigoted to the gew-gaws of state: nor will his forrows bear a stricter inspection; he is distressed by trisling miscarriages, mean resentments, or petty disappointments. Nor is the last stage of being exempt from an equal, or even a greater, imbecility. The veteran is pleased or enraged at the smallest circumstance; his passions are easily alarmed, but their gust is foon over; his powers of vociferation are not great, but his malignity fometimes completes what his feebleness of tongue could not. It is therefore certain, that every hour has a freth supply of objects to engage our notice, as every month, as it circulates through the calendar of time, is favourable to the blooming of fome bloffom, or the ripening of some fruits. The universe is, in truth, fo variegated, that I believe, at least I have never yet seen one object, however sublime or simple,

bulky or minute, so exactly similar to the principles of another, as not to possess some perspicuous or latent mark

of distinction.

I am perfuaded, that the eye of attention may discover something original in every thing : fome streak in the colouring of the flower, some dissimilitude in the fabrication of the stem or of the leaf, varies every object of vege-

In the same manner it is with the animal world; each creature, whether winged or footed, undoubtedly posfessing some distinctions in its plumage or fkin: and thus it is among our own species. The human countenance is so furprifingly varied, that notwithstanding it is moulded into a million of forms effentially different, yet each possesses harmony, force, and proportion. Hence it is that beauty is univerfally different and univerfally admired, whereby the eye of every lover may be captivated, and every tafte fuited with its favourite charm.

The mind likewise shares in the variety of nature: for although it must always act upon one uniform principle to become virtuous, yet each foul may have a fingularity in its manner which may strongly characterise its

genius and inclinations.

It was an observation of some writers, that there is as many forts of minds as of moss. The remark is concife and excellent. It is indeed aftonishing to consider the infinite diversification of the human temper; and yet it is to this very commixture that we are indebted for the effence of converfation and the spirit of society.

To render every thing wonderfully various, the very skies are for ever shifting their appearance upon the eye: almost in the same instant, and often in the same hour, we see the fleeces of white darken into blackness, or, as they roll along the clouds, the azure mixing with the gold, while the rainbow arches over the heavens, not only as a promife of fecurity, but as an emblem of the univerfal variety which it

represents.

I cannot but hope that these reflections will have some useful effect, since they are written to convince every man who confiders them that he has no folid reason to complain; for however life may be over-run with debauchery and error, it stills abounds with every natural beauty that can charm the eye, every perfume that can regale the fmell, and every elegance that can animate the heart.

DIONYSIUS.

SEVEN RULES OF HEALTH.

FROM THE LATIN OF FREDERIC HOFFMAN, A GERMAN PHYSICIAN, WHO DIED IN 1742, AGED 32; WITH A LEARNED COMMENT, ADDRESSED TO MRS. P. B. AND ADAPTED TO HER PARTICULAR SITUATION AND HUMOUR,

BY SHE KNOWS WHOM.

aft Rule. A VOID all excess, because it is against nature.—Com-MENT. You must not eat, drink, sleep, or exercise, too much: and not only so, but no object either of passion or taste should carry you beyond what your strength and spirits are proportioned to bear. These are excesses, which always weaken, and, if continued, are fure to destroy.

2d RULE. Do not depart suddenly from ruhat you have been accustomed to, because custom is a second nature. - COMMENT. For instance, you, Mrs. P. B. have long been accustomed to contradict, to lecture, to rate, your very good friend and humble fervant;--fometimes with, but oftener without, reafon. No matter: the evacuation has done you good : I have feen you grow better upon it: it will therefore be for your health not to leave it off fud-

denly, but by degrees.

3d Rule. Be cheerful and tranquis, because this is the surest means of health and long life .- COMMENT. To be cheerful-Don't look upon the dark fide of things; don't extract only the melancholy, which will ever be one ingredient in all human affairs; don't forebode evils that never may happen, and be prepared to bear with reasonable patience those which affuredly will. To be tranquil-Suffer none of your passions to grow inordinate; let not your heart be torn with anger,

4 envy,

envy, malice, &c.; be not corroded with little fplenetic frettings and vexations; nay, keep even the kind and amiable affections within due reftraint; for these, by being suffered to indulge and riot at large, will acquire a violence, an impetuosity, and an unrulines, which may serve for the groundwork of much future tribulation.

4th Rule. Affect a pure and temperate air.—Comment. I would add,—and, as often as you can, change your air: a change of air, even for the worse, has been sound to produce good effects upon invalids; to say nothing of the exercise, and benefits there-

5th Rule. Adapt your aliments to your temperament, and let them be fuch as diffolve and pass easily.—Comment. This must be ascertained by observation and experience of your own? books and physicians can do nothing here.

6th Rule. Observe a proportion between your aliments and your exercife.—Comment. I would rather say, proportion your exercise to your strength and spirits, and your aliments to the appetite this exercise shall give you and (let me add) have a special regard to the temperature of the air, at the time of your using it; for I am by no means with those who think, that exercise in all kinds of weather is equally salubrious.

7th RULE. Avoid physic and physicians, if you would be well.—COMMENT.

Does not this found as if one was to fay, "Avoid religion and priefts, if you are defirous to be faved?"

But, whatever may be faid for phyfic and physicians, you, I apprehend, have no occasion for either. You complain of bowels, as I do of nerves: but I do verily believe, that your bowels are found and healthy. From some cause or other, a defluxion has fallen upon them, which produces an uneasy, it may be a painful sensation: your great object is, that this defluxion passes off as easily as may be. But you must not use purging physic, because that, as it does some violence to all natures, and would a great deal to yours, will infallibly weaken you, who are too weak already; and you must not be costive. If you can find the mean, you will have done your duty to your bowels; and I hope and truft, that all your complaints will gradually wear away.

POSTSCRIPT.

Your bilious ailment, if you mean any thing more by it than a propenfity now and then to be crofs and peevift, especially with you know whom, is another affair. This propensity, which you call bilious, is mistaken by some for a sourness in the stomach:—an acrimonious humour undoubtedly it is.

Charlotte-street, Soho, 30 Jan. 1778.

Po. III.

ON CHEERFULNESS AND GOOD HUMOUR.

Nil ego contulerim jucundo fanus amico. Hor.

The greatest blessing is a pleasant friend.

A HABIT of pleasantry and good humour is of such very great importance, that we cannot be too sedulous in acquiring it. Were we to restect, how much we have it in our power, by our deportment, either to overcast the cheerfulness, or lighten the forrows, of those with whom we are connected, this consideration would of itself be a sufficient inducement to a generous mind to cultivate so amiable a disposition. But there is too often souad in our nature a shameful selfishness, which

tempts us to prefer our own caprice to the most serious comforts of our friends. Though we are conscious, that it is the duty of every one to contribute to the happiness of others, we yet wish an exception to this general rule to be made in our favour, and a peculiar licence, we know not wherefore, to be granted to us. But by feeding the slame of our peevishness, we not only occasion unnecessary vexation to others, but also create imaginary evils to ourfelves. The man who accustoms him-

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felf to survey every object with fastidious nicety, will scarcely ever have a

respite to his disquiet.

Austerity of manners strikes at the root of every focial pleafure: affability, on the contrary, not only heightens the charms of friendship, but wins, by an irrefishible impulse, the admiration of our inferiors, the confidence of our equals, the favour of our superiors, and the affections of even our enemies. The churl, whatever may be the endowments of his mind, or the sterling virtues of his heart, will find it difficult to obtain access to our esteem; while the artful knave, under the semblance of good humour, will frequently impose upon our credulity, and betray us into the latent fnare.

But notwithstanding these advantages to be derived from a courteous disposition, yet there are many who are more defirous of commanding our admiration than of gaining our affections, who swallow the specious bait of cringing adulation with eagerness, but esteem the familiarities of friendship degrading to their dignity. But such forget, that though we may venerate the lustre of distinguished talents and profound erudition, or the intrinsic value of unspotted integrity, still these eminent qualities become doubly attractive, when there is superadded a pliancy of disposition, which adapts itself reasonably to the inclinations of others. He who thus spurns the reciprocal obligations of friendship, facrifices at the altar of his own felfimportance some of the most pure of all those enjoyments that counterbalance the miseries of human life.

But here I would wish to distinguish between good-humour and that fervile obsequiousness which acquiesces in every polition that is advanced, however absurd or untrue. This may be invariably confidered as a proof either of weakness or duplicity. He who regularly coincides with us in matters of opinion may, perhaps, be an object of our pity rather than our contempt. But when we observe that any one confirms us in every affertion, however notoriously inaccurate, we cannot be too much upon our guard; in every fentence which he delivers, we may with reason suspect the stratagem of defigning hypocrify. The most unfortunate sport of nature can secern truth from falsehood.

Those who are entrusted with the

superintendance of youth should be particularly careful in forming the tender disposition, in encouraging every thing which tends to affability and focial pleasantry, and checking every disorderly inclination. That mistaken fondness which gratifies every with is extremely prejudicial to the real interest of youth. Caprice will be matured into peevishness, and peevishness will foon lead to habitual asperity. When the child is removed from the arms of the doting parent, his wishes will increase with his years; but in vain will he look for that immediate gratification of them to which he has been accustomed. The forced tear, or the momentary pet, once the price of the most unreasonable whim, he will now find to his forrow to be of no avail in a sphere where his pleafure is no longer confulted in preference to that of others. If we attend him into the world, we shall here see every forrow exacerbated by the testiness of his own disposition. We shall find him displeased with others and with himself, and shall observe the crosses, which occur to him in common with his fellow-creatures, revenged upon his unoffending family, not because they have in any degree contributed to his uneafinefs, but because they cannot refist his power. Many of his griefs may be traced to the fource of excessive indulgence in early life. Had he been taught that he should consider himself as on a level with those around him, that he had no right to exercise any greater authority, or foster more buoyant expectations, than others, he would not fo frequently have felt the tortures of infulted pride and difappointed hope. It should also be the care of the guardians of the rifing generation to discourage everyappearance of fullen gloominefs. I do not mean to recommend that frivolous turn which is too generally prevalent in the prefent age, but that happy medium which exists between the madness of mirth and the merofeness of melancholy, that delightful habit of mind which is well calculated to endear our fociety to our friends, and to arm us against the power of those trivial misfortunes which every day befall us.

It is certain, that the disposition, although its general outlines are laid down at first, may nevertheless be considerably improved by attention, or greatly corrupted by neglect. For this reason it should be the study of our

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maturer years to supply the defects of our early education, and overcome the failings of our nature; to suppress with vigilance every sudden rising of anger, and every intemperate fally of malevolence, and to acquire a habit of facility and complacency. Though the task may at first be difficult and irk some, yet our labour will soon be amply compensated by the important advantages

which will refult from it. The harmony of fociety is frequently interrupted by a captious disposition, and the happiness and the good opinion of a friend not uncommonly forfeited for the fake of a paltry joke. Personal illiberality is too often substituted for argument, and farcastic feverity for vivacity; too often he who cannot convince by his ability will confute by his impudence. But no talent is more unprofitable, or more dangerous, than that which only ferves to make our companions alternately the objects of ridicule. The sprightly faying, although it may at first give birth to merriment, will foon be ftripped of every charm, and will be remembered with indifference; whilft the acrimonious spirit that dictated it will, like the rubbish that has been carried down by the current of the tide, he left behind; and when coolly and maturely discussed, will not fail to excite our contempt.

For my own part, I know of nothing better calculated to promote cheerfulness and good humour than a consciousness of innocence. When a man is stung by bitter remorse for the past, and overwhelmed by the painful anticipation of the future, a certain gloominess and sourness of temper will be the natural consequence. But if he is able to review his life with fatisfaction, and to look forward with pious confidence to the momentous destiny of futurity, the little trials of this world will not diffurb the ferenity of his mind, but the lightness of his heart will be manifest upon every occasion. His converfation, though not edged with the witty gibe, will, however, not want the fportiveness of fancy or the jest of inno-The delightful frame of his mind will have an effect upon those who affociate with him; it will foften the harshness of misanthropy and fulpend the forrows of distress.

In the character of Belinda we have a striking instance of the deplorable effects of ill humour. Her heart was not without integrity, her mind not

without strength; and her sphere in life was that of prosperity and abundance. With these advantages, it may reasonably be supposed, that she was happy in herfelf, and endeared to those around her. But the fretfulness of her disposition robbed her of every plea-fure which she might otherwise have enjoyed, and rendered her fociety almost insupportable to the dearest of her friends. In discussing any action, the fought to find fault rather than be pleased; and would carefully pass over every excellency to lay hold of some circumstance which she might distort and represent as deserving of animadvertion. What she would have done herself in a similar situation she would condemn in others, and would frequently withhold the expression of her will, lest she should be lest without a pretext for abuse. The most trifling mistake she would exaggerate into a ferious fault; and where the could not censure, she would not, however, commend. She accounted herfelf the most unfortunate of women in the indifference of her hulband, the untowardly disposition of her children. and the worthleffness of her servants ; and was wont to express her surprise, that whilst the economy of other families was conducted with regularity and harmony, the affairs of her houshold should never be without some cause for complaint. This circumstance she never failed to attribute to the negligence of her domestics, rather than to any fault in herself. How little was Belinda aware, that while she was reproving others, she herself was the only delinquent; that the discord of her own family, which she was accustomed to compare invidiously with the happiness of others, was to be imputed to no other cause than the unhappy diffatisfaction of her own temper ! It would have been well, had she reflected in time, that nothing prepossesses others so strongly in our favour as courteousness of manners and evennels of temper; and that these qualifications are expected particularly from the female part of fociety, who have more opportunities of acquiring the one, and fewer trials to affect the other. Woeful experience, however, at length taught Belinda, that she who gives way to the peevishness of her disposition renders herself the object of general aversion, and is to no one a more bitter enemy

than to herself. But conviction arrived, alas! too late; for her habits were then established by age, and a very few years closed the life of one

who was loaded with the favours of Fortune, but knew not how to enjoy them. AURELIUS.

Oct. 5, 1802.

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BY SIR JOHN SINCLAIR.

It is difficult to lay down any general rule for the fize of cattle, as so much must depend on the nature of the paiture, and on the means which the grazier has for ultimately fattening them; nor has it yet been proved, by decifive and repeated experiments, whether the large or small fized pay best for the food they eat. The experiments ought to be made with fimilar breeds, but of different fizes, and the particulars to ascertain are, whether it do not require a much greater quantity of food, 1. to rear a great ox than a small one; 2. to feed him when working; and, 3, to fatten him afterwards. A large calf certainly requires more milk than a fmall one; but if it pay as well for what it consumes, or grow in proportion to what it takes, there is no objection, on that account, on the fcore of profit; nor if a large ox eat more, provided he work proportionally more, than a fmall one. In regard to fattening, the experiments of Lord Egremont are rather favourable to the opinion, that fattening stock do not eat in proportion to their weight, but that a small ox, when kept in a stall, will eat proportionally more, without fattening quicker, than a large one.

Without pronouncing decifively on a question so much contested, as whether large or finall cattle ought to be preferred (which will require, indeed, a great number of experiments finally to determine), I shall endeavour shortly to fum up the arguments made use of

on either fide. In favour of small, or moderatefized cattle, it is contended, 1. That a large animal requires proportionally more food than two smaller ones of the same weight. 2. That the meat of the large animal is not fo fine grained, and confequently does not afford fuch delicate food. 3. That large animals are not fo well calculated for general confumption as the moderate-fized, particularly in hot weather. 4. That large animals poach pastures more than

fmall ones. 5. That they are not fo active, consequently not so fit for working. 6. That fmall cows, of the true dairy fort, give proportionally more milk than large ones. 7. That fmall oxen can be fattened with grafs merely, whereas the large require to be stall-fed, the expence of which exhausts the profits of the farmer. 8. That it is much easier to procure wellshaped and kindly-feeding tock of a fmall fize than of a large one. 9. That fmall fized cattle may be kept by many persons, who cannot afford either to purchase or to maintain large ones; and, lastly, If any accident happen to a fmall-fized animal, the loss is less mate-

In favour of the large-fized, it is, on the other hand, contended, r. That without debating whether from their birth till they are flaughtered the large or the small ox eats most for its size, yet that, on the whole, the large one will ultimately pay the farmer as well for the food it eats. 2. That though fome large oxen are coarse-grained, yet that, where attention is paid to the breed, the large ox is as delicate food as the small one. 3. That if the smallfized be better calculated for the confumption of private families, of villages, or of small towns, yet that the large ox is fitter for the markets of large towns, and in particular of the metropolis. 4. Even admitting that the flesh of the small-fized ox is better when eaten fresh, yet the meat of the large-fized is unquestionably better calculated for falting, a most essential object in a maritime and commercial country; for the thickest beef, as Culley justly remarks, by retaining its juices when falted, is the best calculated for long voyages. 5. That the hide of the large ox is of infinite confequence in various manufactures. 6. That where the pastures are good, cattle will increase in size without any particular attention on the part of the breeder; which proves that large cattle are the

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proper stock for such pastures. 7. That the art of fattening cattle by oilcake, &c. having been much improved and extended, the advantage thereof would be loft, unless large oxen were bred, as small ones can be fattened merely with grass and turnips; and, lastly, That large cattle are better calculated for working than small ones in the plough or cart.

Such are the arguments generally made use of on both sides of the question; from which it is evident, that much must depend upon pasture, taste, markets, &c. But, on the whole, though the unthinking multitude may admire an enormous bullock, more refembling an elephant than an ox, yet the intelligent breeder (unless his paftures be of a nature peculiarly forcing) will naturally prefer a moderate fize for the stock he rears; or, perhaps, may adopt that plan of breeding, according to which, the males are large and strong, and the females of a small fize, yet not unproductive to the dairy.

ORIGINAL LETTERS TO DR. SAMUEL CLARKE.

Hertford Castle, Dec. the 12th, 1723. REV. SIR,

Some days absence from home, with a severe cold since my return, had delayed my acknowledgment of yours.

I flatter myfelf with the hopes of feeing an answer to the book mentioned in my former, formed on the scheme you propose. I think it would be a thorough vindication of christianity, so far as the objections urged by Mr. Collins require. But I must take the liberty of urging one particular objection to the authority of the Old Testament, under the head of Moralitys, not only approved, but faid to be commanded by God; which I know not how to remove; and yet if not removed, it feems to enter into the very foundation of the Jewish state; I mean, the command to extirpate the Canaanites, and to seize on their lands and possessions.

I have learnt from yourfelf this short, and, I think, conclusive way of reasoning, that moral obligations necessarily refult from the nature of things, and become the eternal laws of right and wrong, of good and evil: which, therefore, do not depend on arbitrary determination, even of the Supreme Being; that therefore nothing can be received as a command from God that requires us to break in upon these moral obligations founded on the relation we stand in to our fellow reason-

able creatures Now, in fact, the Canaanites had never offended the Jews, or done any action by which they could be deemed in a state of war with that nation. On the contrary, the ancestors of the Jews had been well used by, and lived in friendship with, them.

I acknowledge that God, as Supreme Governor of the World, may dispose of focieties of mankind as he pleases; and when they become extremely vicious and corrupt, he may justly eradicate them. But then, I think it must be done either by his own immediate power, or the interpolition of foreign spirits his ministers, or of material causes directed by his will. But the force of my objection lies here, that all the feveral bodies or focieties amongst men being mutual obligations of justice and goodness towards each other, one fociety cannot, on pretence of a command from God, break in upon the being or rights of another fociety, from whom they have never received any injury.

This, Sir, is my objection in its full force. I should be extremely glad to have your fentiments upon it, after you have viewed the subject in all its lights. I am a fincere enquirer after truth; and, as fuch, request your ashit-

ance in this point. I am,

Reverend Sir, Your very humble Servant, JOSEPH COLLET. To Dr. Sam. Clark.

> Hertford Castle, Jan. the 9th, 1723-4.

REV. SIR, I acknowledge myself convinced, that the distinction you make between moral obligations, necessarily resulting from the nature of things, and that law of nature which is founded merely on the will of God, made known by natural reason, is just : and consequently, that my objection is fully answered. The illustration you give from the instances of magistrates appointing the execution of criminals,

and making lawful war upon their enemies, come up fully to the pur-

pose.

God being confidered as Governor of the World, has an undoubted right to appoint whom he pleases to be the executioners of his sentence against delinquents, without any regard to the relations those persons or societies may stand in to each other. All that is to be regarded in this case is the clearness of the evidence, that this command does really come from the Supreme Being.

I return thanks for the satisfaction you have given me on this subject. My objection, as it stood, struck at the very root of the Jewish dispensation. All the other objections that I have thought of only relate to particular passages, and do not affect the authority of the whole; much less can they have any influence upon the evidences for christianity. I am,

Reverend Sir,
Your very humble Servant,
JOSEPH COLLET.

HARROW FREE-SCHOOL.

[with a view.]

This excellent Establishment, which has produced some great scholars, and ranks among the first public seminaries in the kingdom, was founded in the reign of Elizabeth, by Mr. John Lyon, a wealthy yeoman of the hamlet

of Preston, in this parish.

In the Harleian MSS. in the British Museum, 2211. is recorded the patent granted by the Queen, in the fourteenth year of her reign, to John Lyon, impowering him to erect and endow a Free Grammar School within the village of Harrow, and afterwards appointing fix discreet and honest men to be Governours of the possessions, revenues, and goods of the faid school; (viz.) Gilbert Gerrard, Elg. the Attorney Generall, Wm. Gerard, Gent. John Page of Wemley, Tho. Page of Sudbury-Court, Tho. Redding of Pinner, and Richard Edlyn of Woodhall, in the parish aforesaid *. And in case of death or default of any of these fix Governours, the letters patent make it lawful for the Bishop of London for the time being to choose and appoint other fitt person or persons within the parish aforesaid, into the place or places of fuch keepers and Governours as occasion shall require. Also that they shall have power of choosing a proper master or usher of the said school.

In the fame manuscript we also find orders, statutes, and rules sett forth the 18th of January, in the 33d of Elizabeth, by the said John Lyon, to be

observed and kept by the Governours of the said Free Grammar School.

The following extracts are taken

from thence.

That the Governours, or the major part of them, within half-a-year after the decease of the founder, John Lyon, and Johan his wife, should appoint a sufficient and able man, not under the degree of Master of Arts, to be Schoolmaster, and also one other to be Usher, not under the degree of a Batchellor of Arts.

The Master to have 261. 13s. 4d. for his stipend, and 31. 6s. 8d. for fireing. The Usher to have 131. 6s. 8d. and

31. 6s. 8d. for fuel.

Wood to be carried annually from the lands at Kingsbury, at the charge of the farmers thereof, for the use of the schoole fire.

The Governours to provide 30 learned and godly fermons to be preached yearly for ever in the parish-church of Harrow, and to pay the preacher 101. or 6s. 8d. for each fermon. And the School-master or Vicar of Harrow to have the offer of the same at his option.

Also the Sexton of the said church to have yearly 6s. 8d. for tolling the bell

before the fermons.

Likewise the Governours shall yearly bestowe 201. upon 60 of the poorest housekeepers within the parish of Harrow (except the hamlet of Pinner).

Also the same sum to be payed to

* The present Governors are, the Earl of Clarendon, Lord Grimston, Sir John Rushout, Bart. John Afgill Bucknall, Esq. Richard Page, Esq. and the Rev. Walter Williams, M. A.

four poor schollars (i e.) to each 51. towards their maintenance and learning in the Universities, two of them to be of Gonvel and Caius Coll: Cambridge; and the other two of such College as the Governours shall think best.

Also that the Governours see that the profit of his lands lying at or near Kilborne, in Middlesex, which were bought and purchased of Alane Hoore, Gent, be yearly applied to repair the high way from the towne of Edgware in the same county, unto the City of London, and the high way from Harrow to London as expressed in the conveyance of the Founder's lands. Also the whole profit of his lands in Marybone, which were purchased of Wm. Sherington, Citizen of London, to be applied towards repairing the faid high way from Harrow to London. And that two overleers be appointed to overlook the filling of the gravel, &c. who shall have for their pains 30s, each annually.

Likewise that 41, be bestowed yearly upon other high ways, (viz.) 40s. towards repairing the high way between Goare Line Gate, and Hide House; and the other 40s. towards amending the high way between Preston and Ded-

man Hill.

If the school shall not (as he intends) be built in his life-time, then the sum of 300l. to be carried and taken from the rents of his lands, &c. for three years next after his decease—nevertheless 20 marks yearly, during that time, to be paid out of the same, for teaching 30 poor children of Harrow, till the building be finished.

Any overplus of the profits of the estates in trust to be for the relief of

poor marriages, &c.

Every Governour to be chosen out of the honest and substantial inhabitants of Harrow within 28 days after his place becomes vacant.

The School master and Usher to be

fingle men.

The Founder directs, that a competent number of poor scholars thali be educated freely, but allows the Master to take other children for his profit, without any other limitation than the discretion of the Governors. He adds a fingular stipulation, that the Master shall not receive any girls into the school. The statutes for the school also specify the number of forms; point out the books and exercises for each form; fettle the mode of correction; the hours of attending school; the vacations and play days; and the na-ture of the scholars' amusements, which are confined to " driving a top, tofling a hand ball, running, and shooting. The last-mentioned exercise, indeed, is in a manner infifted on in the following direction to parents, and those who bring any scholar to be admitted: "You shall allow your child at all times a bow, 3 shafts, bowstrings, and a bracer, to exercise shooting." The cuttom of fhooting annually with bow and arrow, for the prize of a filver arrow, has been left off some years, and inflead of it are given public speeches by the boys.

This school has been in a very flourishing condition, particularly under the late Masters, Drs. Sumner and Thackeray. The following area few of the Head Masters whom we have been able to trace, (viz.) Bryant, Cox, Thackeray, Sumner, and Heath. The present Master is Dr. Joseph Drury, and the Under-Master the Rev. Mark Drury, M. A. Among other distinguished characters educated here have been Dr. Bennett, Bishop of Cloyne, Dr. Parr, Mr. Sheridan, and Sir William Jones. The number of scholars in the school is

usually about 150.

VERBAL TRANSLATION OF AN INK-MAKER'S SHOP-BILL IN CHINA.

SINHONE (this is the name of the place where the Ink is made, and whence it takes its name).

"VERY good Ink, very fine, very old shop. Grandfather, Father, and

Self, make this Ink; fine and hard, very hard, pick'd out very fine and black, before and now. Sell very good Ink, prime cost is very dear; this Ink is heavy, so is gold; no one can make like it; the others that make Ink, do it

* In choosing the exhibitioners, the preference is to be given to his own kin, to natives of Harrow, and such as are "most mete for towardnesse, poverty, or painfulness." These exhibitions, which are held for eight years, have been raised, in consequence of the improved value of the estates, to 201, per annum each.

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for money and to cheat; I only make it good for a name. Plenty of Gentlemen know my Ink; my family never cheat: always a good name.

make Ink for the Emperor, and all the Mandarins round. All Gentlemen must come to my shop, and know my name, UNGWANCHI LOCEE.

ESSAYS AFTER THE MANNER OF GOLDSMITH.

ESSAY XX.

66 In this world men thrive by villany, and lying and deceiving is accounted just, and to be rich is to be wife, and tyranny is honourable : and though little thefts and petty michiefs are interrupted by the laws, yet if a milchief become public and great, acted by Princes, and effected by armies, and robberies be done by whole fleets, it is Virtue, and it is Glory." BISHOP TAYLOR.

HAVING just received the following letter, I shall give it verbatim for the benefit or amulement of my readers, with such reflections as occurred to my mind on its perufal.

" To the AUTHOR of the Essays AFTER THE MANNER OF GOLDSMITH, in the EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

Octo. 15, 1802.

" HONOR'D SIR,

" I WRITE this, hoping it will find you in good health, as I am at present. You must know, Sir, that I reads your Essays every month, and so does my wife; and I must needs say, that upon the whole we are very much pleafed with your morality, and all that there : but Mister (I don't know your name), we are very much disappointed, that though you do now and then give a fly wipe at politics, yet you never favor us with a good round dose upon the subject. One likes monstruously to hear what you people, whom nobody knows, think about things in general; and I believe I have some pertensions to enquire into the matter; for you must know, Sir, that I am an author as well as yourself, nay more, a poet, having written my thoughts publickly, feveral editions of which may be feen on the windows of numerous inns and alehouses on the roads throughout England and Wales, for I am a glazier and painter by profef. tion; but that's no matter; poetry does very well by way of amusement, but politics, politics, Sir, is my forte (as you call it). I was born, Sir, a politician; it is herydittary in our family: my father was one of your true old English fort; for you must know, in his days there was no fufpensation of the Hapus Corpus Act, and every body might tell the truth and shame the devil; so he rapp'd it

out just as much as he liked against Kings, and Princes, and Patriots, and the whole kit of them. I don't know whether I express myself so elegantly as I cou'd wish, but you know what I mean. Well, Sir, I being the eldest fon of my father, succeeded to his trade, and his politics, in both of which I have succeeded beyond my most fangwin expectation. I glaze the windows of half the ward; am chosen Overseer of the Poor; and am chief politician of the parish: I settle and determine all disputes upon the laws of nations in our club, and handle the internal affairs of Europe with great dexterity. But, Sir, to the cause of my troubling you with this letter You must know, that the conduct of a very great Personage (don't be alarm'd, 'tis nobody at home) has lately come under our review and confideration at the club, and much has been faid as to what he has done already, and what he means to do next. You may eafily guess I means Mr. Bonapperty. Now, Sir, I can't bear that a Great Man sho'd have a parcel of ignoramuses all having a flap at him as if he was running the guantlet. I have, therefore, after mature reflection, thought it best to write to him myself, that is in a civil way, and offer him a little of my advice, for we sho'd none of us be above larning, you know; and as I have ferved an apprenticeship to politics, and have drank more porter over the subject, than, I'll venture to fay, any man in England, I ought to know something about it; but you will fee what I have faid. Now. Sir, the only difficulty was, how to fend my letter to the Great Gentleman after I had written it, for I was afraid it might miscarry by the Post, and beside I didn't like to put him to that expence, though to be fure it was on his bufineis,

nefs, and I cou'dn't get a frank from Mr. Hotto, do all I cou'd. Luckilly a thought fruck me, that if you wo'd have the goodnefs to cram it in with one of your Essays into the European Magazine the affair wo'd be done, and he might have a chance to read it over a cup of coffee. The following is a true copy.

" MOST RENOWN'D CONSOL,

" I hope you won't, dread Sir, be offended at any thing that I am going to fay, because I don't mean no harm, I am none of your newspaper squibmongers; I fcorn fuch mean fcandalous proceedings. I am, like yourfelf, a politician and a foldier, for I belong'd has Wolunteer Corps for eighteen months, and admire your manner of exercise and platoon firing. I am, in thort, your friend, and therefore think it my duty to acquaint you with an important fecret, that your conduct has lately been canvass'd at the Club where I belong, and where like yourfelf somewhere, you know where I mean, I am perpetual President. They are impertinent enough, I affure ye for a fact, to hint, that you have got into a fnug birth; that your name is up; that you may-go to bed; that nevertheless they think you may out run the constable at last; and fo forth: for, Sir, as they don't dare talk much bome politics, and as you are in the Land of Liberty, where folks may fay what they pleafe, you know they think it all fair to touch you up a little : in short, some of your actions (I don't mean that at Moringo) don't meet their approbation entirely; they want some explanation about certain things; not but what I am defired by the body, nevertheless, to invite you to become a member of our Club, if ever you vifit Old England (that is, in a peaceable way); and if this arrives in fafety to your hands, which I hope it will, you will fee I have taken great pains to direct it properly, "To the Great Confol, at P-s, or elsewhere, because I didn't know where you might take it in your head to go next, as I was faying to my wife the other night, who adores the very ground you walk on, and admires your fine drefs. By-the-by, I had like to have forgot, the defires her duty to you, though I affure you she's very fond of absolute power, and if you was to fend your Ady Camp,

or your Mamyluck, to her, it wo'd be to little purpose; Lord bless ye, fhe wo'd out-talk them presently, and wou'd rule her own house (as she calls it) after all; she wou'dn't care a fig about your thousands and ten thoufands: I know I cou'd do but little with her when I was a Wolunteer; but Lord, she's a woman, and not one of the Lords of the Creation, like us. But to the point (my wife always puts me out): never mind, a letter sho'd be like a conversation, and you and I understand each other perfectly; I assure ye I consider myself at home. But to proceed: I believe I told ye before that your conduct was not altgother fatisfactory to fome of our members. Now Mr. Grumble, the butcher, fays, he doesn't like ye, because you drink coffee with a Turk, eat pork with a Christian, oil and fish with a Jew, potatoes with an Irishman, and finget heed with a Scot; in fhort, that you are, like Saint Paul, " all things to all men." Now I do like you for it; I say 'tis social, 'tis friendly, and I sho'd like to hob-nob with you very much. But this isn't all: they fay, that you have the ambition of Alexander the Great; that you have a face like Cesar Borgia, and a nose like Anthony Pagi: now all this is downright scandal, for you are not so ugly as that comes to; they even go far enough to fay, that your being Confol is the reason our confols don't get any higher than they do. But a word between ourselves (the Swis); there's the rub: You've no idea, Sir, of the extent of their defamation: but our politicians will fay any-thing, Sir, but their prayers; and that was the reafon of the suspensation of the Hapus Corpus, as fure as I'm born; for can you suppose now, Sir, as a politician, that any wife Government would prevent the truth being spoken, when it is the great support of their just views and upright measures. No, no, no; it was because there are a set of people that will go any lengths, and those are they, renown'd Sir, who wickedly affert that you are fond of Swischeese; that you want a flice of it to yourself; that you wish to be acquainted with every body; and that you force yourfelf, without being ask'd, into all companies. I'll tell you what I told them the other night. Gentlemen, lays I (I was in the chair); Gentlemen, fays I, depend upon what I'm going to fay i M m 2

the Great Confol only means to confolidate (a pun always tells in our Club) the interests of the Swiss, to stop bloodshed, Sir; to affift the weak, Sir; to fuccour the oppress'd, Sir (and then I thump'd the table); to put them to rights, Sir; to make them happy, and then to wish them a good day, and leave them to enjoy their liberty; that'll be noble, Sir; that'll be great, Sir; that'll be like himself, Sir." Egad, they were all so astoundered (as Milton fays) that they cou'dn't reply a word. Thunders of applause fucceeded. You fee I took your part in your absence; but as I must confess I had a few doubts upon my mind, which I wish'd to have clear'd up between ourselves before the next clubnight, I thought I had better write to you at once, to know what you actually mean to be at in that there affair. Don't be affraid to communicate your intentions; Mum's the word: but I am pretty fure you don't mean to do them any harm; but if you do, I must once for all be under the necessity of telling you that I shall drop your acquaintance, and that our correspondence must end. I shall be glad of an early answer, to decide my conduct in this respect. A letter directed for me, polt paid, at the fign of the Angel and Boot Jack, Turn again Lane, Fleet Market, London, will come fafe to my hands. I am,

Most renown'd Consol, Yours most affectionately, and devoutly,

and every thing elfe that is handfome and pollite,

MATTW MUDDLE.

P\$. If you wish to become a member of the Free and Easy let me know; only sixpence entrance; two black balls make a negative.

N.B. Mind, I am to keep the Chair. None of your tricks upon travellers;

you know what I mean."

The above curious Epistle came to my hands just in time to put into my pocket for a perusal in my morning's walk in the Green Park. I confess walk in the Green Park. I confess I was a little surprised at my friend Matthew Muddle's samiliarity of style, until I recollected that it was one great man writing to another; for the President of a club-room is doubtles a great man, and absolute in his dominion round the table. It is only enlarging the scale, and he becomes a lord of a province, or a director of a

commonwealth. In short, the epithet Great Man is so vague, and so uncertain in its meaning, that much dependence cannot be placed upon it. It was a milnomer given to Alexander; and has been tacked to the names of innumerable other murderers and robbers ever fince; it has, however, been fo degraded, abused, and indiscriminately conferred fince, that in these days, to use a very common expression, there is no knowing who is who. Nothing would better remedy this evil than strict sumptuary laws, by which every man should carry about him on his back a scale, divided into degrees of greatness and littleness, that might determine his rank in such a way that no person should measure withhim in fociety but his equals. Now this would be excellent, and what one might properly call "keeping one's felf to one's To establish which opinion, we have only to look at the advantages of external marks of excellence where they do exist. Might not, for instance, a Counsellor be sometimes taken for an undertaker's man, were it not for his big wig, particularly when he makes a long face. One of these fatal blunders happened to a Magistrate of great importance, who took occasion, on a walk out of town, to go into a fmall public-house for a little refreshment : the Justice, with becoming authority, called for a glass of ale, and feated himself by the fire, with the newspaper to his nose. At this instant entered the Barber of the village (a Great Man), and drawing his chair close to the chair of the Magistrate, fat himself down next him, and giving him at the same time a severe slap on the thigh, hallooed in his ear, "Well, old Boy, What news?" Nothing could restore the dignity of his Worship, and all he had to do was to walk off in fullen majesty.

But however the oddity of my friend Matthew Muddle's epiftle might at first create a smile, it led very naturally to more serious ressections: the words Conqueror, Conquest, Mandate, and Manifesto, engaged my contemplation, till I arrived aria seat, where I fell into a dose, but my imagination was disturbed with the same ideas. I fancied I saw spread before me on the ground a Map of Europe, the spaces between the intersections of the countries painted with the most lively green and yellow, exhibiting a pleasing picture of nature

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and her luxuriances; when all at once, methought a tall figure of majestic appearance, with a sword in its hand, and its feet bathed in human gore, strode across the verdant carpet, and at every step left stains of blood. I awoke at the frightful vision, and involuntatily exclaimed "Ambition."

The next degree of greatness that destroys the focial intercourse 'twixt nation and nation, and man and man, is that which denominates " a Politician." A great Politician (as it is called) is the legitimate offspring of Cunning and Corruption, capable of doing great mischiefs, and incapable of humanity. From him the polluted stream flows into the opinions and fentiments of all ranks, from the higheft to the lowest, and turns the natural course of human actions. The present refined system of art, and simulation in politics, bufiness, and manners, may be attributed to the false and dangerous opinion that little is to be gained by ingenuousness and truth. The conqueror fimiles at the notion of good faith in treaties; the statesman ridicules what he calls romantic honefty; and the man of bufiness looks with ineffable contempt on the plain dealer. The manners of the times assume the same character of deception, and false pretences are the refources of the greater as well as the smaller swindler. The spirit of politics is transfuled into the most common actions of life; and speciousuess of words, failure of promiles, and concealment of truth, con-Ritute the character of our transactions in the world, affifting the general depravity, till it will fwell to that enormous height when it must break its mounds.

It is not fusficient that some will say, it has ever been fo, and ever will be; that we must go with the stream; and that a virtuous administration exists only in theory. Such wife and excellent maxims have but one fault, they are not true; both moral and physical evil increase or decrease in an equal ratio with the good or bad dispositions of the times; and it is in the power of men and nations, by their mutual reciprocities and regard for justice, to be much happier, collectively and individually, than they are. The manners of the present day present only great and monttrous deviations from morality, religion, and virtue, fo eitablished, that they frown with auda-

cious effrontery upon the humble advocate of truth, and threaten and awe the just man and patriot into silence. There is, indeed, a being who erects himself into public notice, falsely called a patriot, who founds the trumpet of reform; all are aftonished to behold his pure and difinterested actions during an election; he shakes hands with the butcher, drinks his glass with the tallow chandler, and "hugs the greafy rogues, they please him so:" his heart overflows, and his tongue moves with the stream of his time-ferving honesty, while it lasts: but view him seated in Parliament, and where does he take his place? True to his principles, we find him on the Opposition side. Absurd farce! played by Crooked Policy. What has Truth to do with Pariv-Truth disclaims the distinction, and afferts her proud prerogative in any place; Party is the convenient medium of Ambition. True Patriotism has nothing to do with her, and acknowledges No Side but Truth.

But to return to the epithet Great. There is in the opinions of philosophy a much higher denomination; it is Good; a title little esteemed, and seldem sought for. Let us not imagine, however, that it is extinct, or that Ambition may not, in the hour of peace, direct its views for the happiness of mankind, and become a candidate for the best of all distinctions. Let the Conqueror recollect that he has, according to the ancient and received opinions of the best men, to live

elsewhere than in history.

It becomes, then, the Conqueror to confider, whether there is not much more honour to be achieved in aiding the patriot interests of a noble and once happy Republic, from a pure and difinterested love of liberty, and a defire to meliorate their condition, than from any motive of aggrandizement of territory, which, while it pretends to ferve, robs them of their dearest privileges and hereditary rights. The fate of Poland is a difgrace to Europe, and the injustice of high Powers an example of fraud to lesser communities, even from the public to the private family.

Happy for us, in this country the title of Good is to be found in the Crown. The King is good: the King loves his fubjects; and the lating cement of their affections will furport the pillars of the Throne. It

is in him to give health to the fickly conflitution of the common-wealth: it is in him to make all party yield to truth: it is in him to fay, "Stand by, and let me see my people. Let there

be no longer a fuspension of their liberties; let every man be tried whom you suspect; and we shall find how rich and safe we are in the people's love."

G. B.

RESTORATION OF PICTURES DECAYED OR INJURED.

[The following curious Account of the Restoration of a Picture of RAPHAEL, which had been much injured in its journey from Foligno to Paris, is extracted from a recent French work, published by the Administration of the Museum at Paris.]

SUBJECT OF THE PICTURE.

In the midst of a glory of Angels, the Virgin Mary sits holding in her arms the infant Jesus, who is playing with his mother's mantle; the receives with humility and modesty the vows and the prayers which are addressed to to her by St. John, St. Francis, and St. Jerome, in favour of a Chamberlain of the Pope, who, with hands joined, implores with servour her protection.

In the middle of the picture, and beneath the Virgin, with eyes raised towards her, an Angel holds a tablet destined to receive the name of the Chamberlain, the donor of the picture.

The ground reprefents a landscape. Raphael executed this work for Sigifmund Conti, a learned man, Chamberlain and first Secretary to Pope Julius II. The picture was then placed at the high altar of the Church of Araceli at Rome. Afterwards, about the year 1565, it was removed to Foligno, and given to the Church of the Religieuses of St. Ann, called Le Contesse, from the sister Anna Conti, niece of Sigismund. It was lately brought from that church to Paris, being one of the hundred articles included in the Treaty of Tolentino.

RESTORATION OF THE PICTURE.

The Administration think they can render an important service to the Arts, by giving to the Public an extract from the interesting Report made by Citizens Guiton, Morveau, Bertholet. Vincent, and Taunai, Members of the National Institute, to that learned body, respecting the operation to which this valuable picture has been submitted.

When it was received at Foligno, it was in such a state of deterioration that the Commissaries of the Arts in Italy hesitated whether they ought to send it to Paris, nor did they determine upon sending it until they had fixed together the several parts of the picture which

were broken, by means of pieces of gauze pasted on the surface. Besides this injury, the white wood, of about thirty-two inches in thickness, on which the picture was painted, had a cleft of about ten in width at its superior extremity, which descended from the centre, diminishing progressively to the left foot of the Infant Jesus; on each side of the fracture the wood was bent. A great number of scales were already detached, and moreover the painting was pricked in many parts.

It was time to think of faving this valuable picture from the ruin which threatened it, and the Administration decided that it should be taken off, being well convinced that it could only be refixed upon another ground. But as a religious respect would not permit an operation of this importance, particularly when applied to a picture of Raphael, they requested the Minister of the Interior to invite the National Institute to appoint from its own bosom a Committee to make a Report on the projected Restoration, in order to tranquillize timorous persons, or silence those of bad faith, and above all, to render public operations the most simple, and far distant from Charlatinisin and juggling.

This Commission was composed of Citizens Guiton and Bertholet, Chymiss, and Citizens Vincent and Tau-

nai, Painters.

They agreed with the Administration as to the urgent necessity of taking off the picture. The following are the operations which followed.

The furface being rendered smooth, a piece of gauze was spread over the picture. Citizen Hacquin cut several little trenches in the wood at some distance from each other, which were continued from the superior extremity of the centre to the place where the ground of the wood presented a surface more

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straight. He then introduced into the trenches small pieces of wood, and covered the whole surface with wet linen, which he was careful to renew. The action of the small pieces of wood, swelled by the humidity against the softened wood of the picture, forced it to resume its first form, the two edges of the cleft approached, and the Artist introduced some strong glue to unite the two separated parts; he then applied cross bars of oak to preserve the picture, whilst drying, in the form which it had taken.

The drying proceeding flowly, the Artift applied a fecond gauze on the first, and successively two sheets of paper

of a spongy substance.

This preparation being dry, he turned the picture on a table, and proceeded with great care to separate the wood on

which the picture was painted.

The first operation was executed by means of two saws, of which the one worked perpendicularly and the other horizontally: he then used a plane, and afterwards another of a different construction, until the wood was reduced to the thickness of a common sheet of paper.

In this state the wood was successively moistened, by compartments, with pure water, until the Artist was enabled to separate the pieces with care by the

point of a knife.

Citizen Hacquin, after having taken off the whole impression to the paste on which the picture was painted, and above all the mastics which in former restorations had been thought necessary, discovered the first sketch of Raphael.

In order to render the painting more yielding, he moiftened it with cotton dipped in oil, and afterwards, by means of wax, moiftened with oil, took off the impression from the paste, and fixed it by means of a soft brush.

After three months drying, a gauze was pasted on the impression in oil, and over that a fine linen cloth.

When the cloth was dry, the picture was detached from the table and turned, in order to take away the gauze and papers first applied with water. This operation being done, he proceeded to smooth the inequalities upon the surface, which proceeded from the shrinking of different parts. For this purpose the Artist applied successively, on the inequalities, a strong paste, and having placed a piece of paper on the moist-

ened part, he applied a hot iron; and on the part which had shrunk, by which they were returned to their original shape, but not till he had difcovered, by infallible means, the degree of heat which the iron ought to possess before it was permitted to ap-

proach the picture. We have feen that he had fixed the painting, disembarrassed from its impression, on the paste, and all other foreign substances, on an impression in oil, and that he had restored to a smooth form the shrunk parts of its furface; but the chef d'œuvre still remained to be done, namely, to fix the picture folidly upon a new ground. For this purpole he disengaged the gauze, which had been provisorily placed on the impression, added a new coat of oxide of lead and oil, applied a gauze, rendered very fupple, and upou that placed another preparation of lead and an unbleached cloth cut in one piece, and impregnated, on the exterior furface, with a refinous mixture, on which was fixed a fimilar cloth fixed in a frame. The body of the picture, difembarraffed from what had been previoufly placed on it, and furnished with a new ground, was then applied, with exactness, to the cloth, impregnated with the refinous fubitance, avoiding every thing that might injure it by a too great or unequal extension, and forcing all the points of its extent to adhere to the cloth fixed in the frame. By this process the picture was incorporated with a base more durable than the first, and fortified against those accidents which had produced its deterioration, fince it has been finally restored, which is the object of the fecond part of this Report.

This fecond operation, which we will call Picturesque Restoration, was consided by the Administration to Citizen Ræser, to whom we are indebted for the reparation of the most valuable pictures, and whose success multiplies the motives for considence. The Commissaries, after having pointed out the process employed for this purpose, declare, that it is as perfect as it was possible to desire, and thus conclude their

interesting Report.

"We felicitate ourselves on having at length seen this chef d'auvre of the immortal Raphael restored to existence, in all its primitive beauty, and by such means as leave no room to fear the

return of accidents, whose ravages threaten the objects of general admi-

ration."

The Administration of the Central Museum of the Arts, who, by its Science, has perfected the art of Reftoration, will, doubtless, neglect nothing to preserve the art in all its integrity; and, in spite of reiterated success, it will not suffer the application of the Art to objects, unless they are so deteriorated, that it will be better to run the risk inseparable from delicate and

multiplied operations, than to abandon them to the destruction with which they are menaced. The invitation which the Administration of the Mufeum has made to the National Institute to follow the process of Restoration with respect to the picture of Raphael, is a sure guarantee that the enlightened men who compose it, feel that they ought to render an account of their conduct to the whole of enlightened Europe.

For the EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

A HINDOO ANECDOTE.

NEAR the city of Smyrna, a Bramin lately died, and left a wife behind

In countries subject to the authority and government of the Mahomedans, the custom of women committing themfelves to the funeral pile with the bodies of their deceased husbands is, if not abolished, at least under very great restrictions; as it is not allowed to be practifed but by express permission.

The widow of the Bramin, therefore, waited in person on the Governor of the City, and in the most pathetic manner implored his permission for the high honour of burning with the body of her deceased husband, which the Governor peremptorily resulted to grant her. Nothing discouraged thereby, the continued her entreaties—prostrated herself on the ground before him, and mingled her tears with the dust.

All entreaties were vain: the Governor remained inflexible. Rage and despair then filled the break of the beautiful visim—and they broke out in these, and such like, exclamations. "Ah! miserable me! Why was my mother burnt? why my aunt? my two siders?—Ah! miserable me!—Why am I, alone, refused the honours of my fex?"

A Priest, or Bonze, of the same cast of Hindoos, happened to be present at this interesting scene. He gazed argently on the young woman; and now and then turning his eyes towards the Governor, silently reproached him, for refusing the prayer of the widow's petition. When the Governor took notice of this Priest, he exclaimed, "Wretch, it is you who have administered intoxi-

cating herbs, to excite phrenzy—it is owing to your pernicious doctrines, that a cuftom so shocking to humanity is still in practice!—Go, depart hence,

and be no more feen."

The Bonze, undaunted, stood his ground. He affured the Governor that he had never fpoken to the woman before him; but confessed he had prepared many others to undergo the fame facrifice; that it was an act agreeable to her god Brama; and for this reason he begged the Governor, in the most respectful manner, to grant his confent; on which the widow redoubled her tears, prayers, and entreaties. The Bonze, thus encouraged to go on, added, "Sir! great, great will be her reward! great her recompense for it in the other world! there she will be rejoined to her husband, by a second marriage, and live with him to all eternity."

The widow's fine black eyes instantly received new luttre. She darted a piercing look at the Bonze, expressive of fatisfaction, mingled with a portion of terror.—" What," exclaimed the, " shall I indeed find my husband in heaven? - How have I been deceived by two old Bonzes !- They never told me this. They knew my husband well. They knew too how he treated me! -Then. Sir," fays the, turning round to the Governor, "fince the god Brama would reunite me to my hufband, I renounce him and his religion for ever, and embrace yours." Then looking at the Bonze, 'You may, if you pleafe, when you fee my hufband, tell him what I have done, and fay that I hope to find myfelf extremely well without him-for he was an old cross wretch; -thupid, jealous, and offenfive."

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Travels in Upper and Lower Egypt, in Company with feveral Divisions of the French Army, during the Campaigns of General Bonaparte in that Country; and published at Paris, under his immediate Patronage, by Vivant Denon. Embeilished with numerous Engravings. Translated by Arthur Aikin. Two Editions. 4to. Two Volumes. 8vo. Three Volumes.

THE title of this work coincides in I fo great a degree with a former publication on the same subject, viz. " Travels in Upper and Lower Egypt, by Sonnini," on which we bestowed a very ample inveltigation in our Literary Journal for the months of February, March, and April 1800, Vol. XXXVII.; that some of our Readers, at the first glance, will be apt to exclaim-What, more travels in Egypt! to which we may readily reply—Yes, Gentlemen! and we fincerely hope, as well for your information as for your rational amusement, these will not be the last. The Paris Press has furnished employment for our Translators, Printers, Engravers, and Booksellers; and we trust we may yet expect from fome of our own countrymen, who either as companions to, or Officers in, our gallant army in Egypt, had equal opportunities of exploring this wonderful country, one or more original works of equal merit with the labours of the ingenious and affiduous French writers above-mentioned, whose masterly performances are at once an honour and an ornament to polite literature.

It will be recollected by the constant patrons of our Magazine, that Sonnini's travels commenced in the year 1773, and terminated in 1780, when he returned to France: these data must also be the guides to those readers who wish to make comparisons, and to attend to the connexion of the two works. Both Authors travelled over great part of the fame ground; their descriptions,

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therefore, of particular places, and the fubjects they selected for engravings, will in some instances so perfectly accord with each other, that no novelty, and but little variety, will be found, in those instances, by the readers of the present work; but in other respects it will appear to possess considerable advantages over the former.

Denon embarked from Toulon for Egypt in the month of May 1798, and arrived at Alexandria the latter end of June following: here, then, is a lapse of time, no less than eighteen years, which alone constitutes a material difference in the description of the state of the country, at the former, and at the latter period; to which must be added, the two years employed in new discoveries and researches. To the present Author, therefore, we are indebted for the most recent account of the antiquities, curiofities, and internal circumstances of Egypt, the journal of his travels ending only in the year 1800. " An eye witness of the military operations of Bonaparte, and protected in his excurtions by an escort of French soldiers, he had the most favourable opportunities of examining those stupendous remains, and eternal documents of the ancient civilization of the country, to which its then unfettled state had denied a peaceable admission. Hence, the work contains an agreeable mixture of incident and description; and Citizen Denon not being a foldier by profession, and, therefore, not hardened to the atrocities of war, has, notwithstanding his natural partiality towards his countrymen, and his personal regard for many of the Chiefs in the expedition, given a fairer account of the treatment which the natives underwent from their invaders, than we are likely to receive from any other quarter; and, indeed, by accompanying the division of the French army, which was destined, under General Desaix, to achieve the conquest of Upper Fgypt, he became the sole modern historian of that wonderful region, and on that account his narrative is of peculiar value.

" The taste and found judgment of Bonaparte was on no occasion more eminently displayed than in his selection of Denon to accompany the troops in this expedition; for being both an artist and a man of letters, the remains of the architecture, the fculpture, and the paintings of the Egyptians, were the principal objects of his attention; and these he has described, both by words and with his pencil, fo as to render them highly interesting to all those who feel any curiosity about a nation, from whom ancient Greece derived her fublimest philosophy, and which is inteparably connected with the earlier ages of the Jewish history." These are some of the judicious observations of the respectable translator, which we have felected as the best introduction to the work; other parts of his advertisement we pass over, willing to avoid censure, and to treat him with more lenity than he has shewn to the renowned Commander in Chief, whom future historians may, perhaps, view in a more favourable light than Mr. Aikin has placed him, even though, like him, they may be freeborn Englishmen.

It appears, from an accurate survey of the original with the English edition now before us, that the Translator has made several judicious alterations, which may be considered as real improvements; and as he has modestly noticed them in the most concise terms, we lay them before our readers as a proper recommendation of the whole

translation.

The narrative, in the original, is one continued journal, without division of Chapters, from the embarkation of the Author at Toulon to his landing at Frejus, on his return to France; to this are added feveral notes, more particularly illustrative of the plates, and

mentioning little traits of manners and customs, which, either from inadvertence, or want of opportunity, he neglected to introduce into the text. The translator, however, has taken the liberty of breaking the Journal into separate Chapters, but without altering in the least degree the order of its arrangement, and, in a few instances, of incorporating with the text such parts of the notes as appear to have been thrown to the end of the original work merely in consequence of having been forgotten."

As it is the octavo edition we are reviewing, it may be necessary to add, as another recommendation, that the French original fells in London for taventy one guineas; a circumstance which, to the generality of purchasers and readers of English books, must render the cheap edition of a work on which fo great a value is fet highly gratifying; and they will readily admit the expediency, on the part of the proprietors, of omitting the picturefque views of battles, and of some other transactions, which, from their very nature, must be mere fancy pieces, and of felecting the best of two or three views of the same place from different positions, in order to avoid enhancing the price, - more especially as, by this arrangement, they have been enabled to give a liberal allowance of plates, and to retain nearly the whole of those engravings that represent the architectural and hieroglyphical remains of Upper Egypt, which comprise the valuable part of the decorations of that splendid work the Original.

The Translator's explanatory advertisement is followed by Denon's preface, which contains the discourse it was his intention to read to the Inftitute of Cairo, on his return from Upper Egypt; and is, in fact, a brief analysis of the nature and design of the work, and of his means of pursuing and attaining the objects he had in view. No precise explanation, however, is given of the plan of the Institute; but we believe it to have been an assembly of scientific Frenchmen, confifting of Officers of the army, the French Conful, intelligent merchants, and literati brought from France by Bonaparte, whose business it was to investigate the state of arts and sciences in Egypt, to promote and improve their cultivation, and to transmit to the Government of Paris regular accounts

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of their transactions, more particularly of such discoveries, inventions, &c. as might prove either useful or ornamental to their native country.

In the first Chapter of Vol. I. we have a journal, commencing with Denon's embarking, on the 14th of May 1798, at Toulon, on board the French frigate La Junon, which, in company with two other frigates, was to reconnoitre a-head of the grand fleet destined for the invasion and conquest of Egypt, and to take Malta in their way; the attack and capitulation of which is the principal subject of the next Chapter. In the course of the fiege, some Frenchmen in the service of the Maltese Government having been taken prisoners by General Regnier, when he made himself master of Gozo, he fent them off in a boat to Bonaparte, the Commander in Chief, on board the Orient, who, after having questioned them, said to them with a stern voice-" Since you have taken up arms against your country, you should have known how to die. will not accept fuch prisoners: you may therefore return to Malta, which is not yet in my possession." Let the indecent, the ill-timed declaimers, who obstinately persist in the groffeit personal abuse of the First Conful of France, in some of our public prints, read this anecdote, and compare it with the conduct of other Generals in fimilar fituations!

After the furrender of Malta, he ordered all the Turkish and Arabian slaves to be set free, and never, fays our Author, was there a stronger expression of joy than that which they manifested. "When they met the French, gratitude was expressed in their countenances in so affecting a way, that I repeatedly shed tears. was to me a true feast of the foul. To convey an idea of their extreme fatisfaction on this occasion, it is necesfary to state, that their respective Go. vernments never either bought or exchanged them. Their flavery was not alleviated by any hope; and they could not even dream of the termination of their fufferings,"

The third Chapter opens with the landing of the French troops, and the ftorming of Alexandria, on the 2d of July. On the 4th, in the morning, the city being then in the possession of the French army, consisting of thirty thousand men, Denon accompanied

Bonaparte in visiting the forts, when they paffed by Pompey's villar, and on this spot it may be faid that his talents as an artist and an antiquary were first exercised. But it being our intention to avoid going over the same ground again, which we have formerly examined with Sonnini, we shall only remark, that Denon affigns satisfactory reasons for concluding that this monument is not antique; and that it may have been erected either in the time of the Greek Emperors, or of the Caliphs. Of the erect obelifk called Cleopatra's needle, and another thrown down at its side, he maintains a different opinion, viz. that they formerly decorated one of the entrances of the palace of the Prolomies (Kings of Egypt), the ruins of which are still to be seen at some distance from thence. inspection into the present state of these obelisks, and the fissures which existed at the time even when they were fixed on this spot, prove that they were merely fragments at that period, " and that they had been brought from Memphis, or from Upper Egypt;" consequently they are antiques; and as fuch, he was very defirous to have them conveyed to France. afferting that it might have been done without difficulty.

In the following curious observa-tions on the present state of Alexandria, we recognife the difcriminating talents of an able artist and a learned investigator, unbiassed by an overweening fondness for every object that wears the appearance of antiquity, yet anxious to give a fatisfactory account of such remains of the grand and skilful workmanship of the ancients as are undoubtedly original, and not fophisticated by a mixture of modern fabrication. — "Subterraneous refearches made on this spot (near Pompey's pillar) might afcertain the fite of the city in the time of the Ptolomies, when its commerce and splendour changed its original plan, and rendered it immense. That of the Caliphs, which still exists, was but a diminution of the ancient city, notwithstanding it comprehends within itself, at this time, plains and deferts. circumvallation being built of ruins, the edifices bring unceasingly to remembrance destruction and ravage. The jambs and lintels of the doors of the dwelling houses and fortresses confift entirely of columns of granite,

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which the workmen have not taken the pains to shape to the use to which they have applied them. They appear to have been left there merely with a view to attest the grandeur and magnificence of the buildings of which they are the ruins. In other places, a great number of columns have been applied to the construction of the walls, to support and level them; and these co-lumns having resisted the ravages of time, now refemble batteries. In short, thefe Arabian and Turkish buildings. the productions of the necessities of war, display a confusion of epochs, and of various induliries, more firiking and more approximated examples of which are no where else to be found. Turks more especially, adding absurdity to profanation, have not only blended with the granite bricks and calcareous stones, but even logs of wood and planks, and from these different elements, which have so little analogy to each other, and are fo strangely united, have presented a monstrous assemblage of the splendour of human industry and its degradation."

This nice disquisition may serve as a complete justification of every future attempt to disunite, remove, and preserve in other countries, those precious remains of antiquity which a rude and unlettered race of mortals know not how to convert to the noblest purposes, the elucidation of ancient history, and the embellishment of modern edifices.

Let it not, however, be imagined, that we mean to justify the acquirement of these valuable curiosities by invasion and plunder; opportunities may hereafter occur to obtain many of them by purchase and other peaceable means.

In the journal of the fecond day's march of the French army, a most affecting anecdote, exhibiting the domestic flavery of the eastern nations and the atrocious effects of jealousy; and another of the savage cruelty of the Arabs to their French prisoners; will make the reader shudder, and, in the moment, wish for the total extermination of such inhuman monsters.

This march to the interior of the country was not interrupted by the Mamelukes, the most formidable enemies the French had to encounter, for having observed that the French army was entirely composed of infantry, a description of soldiery for whom those

barbarians have a fovereign contempt, they made themselves certain of an easy victory, and forbore to harafs their march, which was rendered sufficiently painful by its length, by the heat of the climate, and by the fufferings of hunger and thirst; to which were added, the torments of a hope constantly cheated, and constantly renewed. In reality, fays our Author, " it was in the midst of heaps of corn that our foldiers wanted bread, while they were a prey to thirst with the image of a vast lake before their eyes. This punishment of a new defcription requires explanation, as it refults from an illusion peculiar to this country. It is produced by the reflection of falient objects on the oblique rays of the fun, refracted by the heat of the burning foil; and this phenomenon has so truly the appearance of water, that the observer is deceived by it over and over again. It provokes a thirst, which is the more importunate, as the instant when it presents itself to the view is the hottest time of the

We are informed, that no idea of it could be conveyed by a drawing, as it would be only the representation of a resemblance, but that a philosophical description and analysis of this extraordinary optical deception will be found in the memoirs of the Institute of Cairo, as delivered in a report to that fociety by Citizen Monge, and published at Paris by the elder Didot. Pistachio-nuts were the first relief which the foil of Egypt afforded to the troops, and of this fruit they never ceased to retain a grateful remembrance. On reaching the Nile, they plunged into that river without waiting to undress themselves, to allay their thirst by the absorbent vessels.

On the 19th of July 1799, the army encampedat Amm-el Dinar, from whence it fet out on the following morning, before day-break; and, after a march of twelve hours, it reached the vicinity of Embakey, where the Mamelukes had collected their force, having an entrenched camp, furrounded by a clumfy moat, and defended by twenty eight pieces of artillery. As foon as the enemy was discovered, the army formed; and when Bonaparte had given his final orders, he faid to the foldiers, pointing to the Pyramids, " Push on, and recollect, that from the fummit of those monuments forty

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centuries watch us." Enthusiasm in war has a similar effect to enthusiasin in religion; it operates with amazing force on the lower orders of fociety; and amore forcible incitement to extraordinary valour could not well be conceived, or comprised in more energetic and concife terms. On recollecting the pathetic harangues of this fortunate General upon other occasions, we cannot but consider him as much indebted for his success to the revival of this ancient military custom. The total defeat of the Mamelukes, commanded by the famous Murad-Bey, who had threatened to cut up the French like gourds, enfued.

A digression takes place, in this part of the volume, in which Denon gives an account of his accompanying General Menou (who had remained behind the main army, at Alexandria, on account of his wounds) in an excursion into the Delta; and having embarked on board an advice-boat in the new harbour of Alexandria, he has an opportunity to make a drawing of the fortress (engraved Plate V. fig. 1.) constructed on the Island of Pharos, on the fite of that celebrated monument, equally useful and magnificentof that wonder of the world, which, after having taken the name of the island on which it was placed, has transmitted that appellation to all the monuments (light-houses) of the same description.

Menou's division having subdued a party of Arabs, who had opposed their march, and set fire to one quarter of the village of Salmee, which they likewise delivered up to plunder, the neighbouring districts submitted quietly, and the General having established an ordinary post in the other parts of the village, this expedition was concluded by making a circuit through the coun-

And here it may afford fome relief to the melancholy reflexions on the horrors of war, which may have agitated the minds of our readers, to introduce our Author's account of an Arabic entertainment given to the French Officers at this station.

"A house of public entertainment, which had almost invariably belonged to the Mameluke, heretofore, the Lord and Master of the village, was furnished in a moment, according to the fashion of the country, with mats, carpets, and cushions. A number of attendance of the country.

ants, in the first place, brought in perfumed water, pipes, and coffee. Half an hour afterwards, a carpet was fpread, and on the outer part three or four different kinds of bread and cakes were laid in heaps, the centre being covered with small dishes of fruits, fweetmeats, creams, &c. the greater part of them pretty good, and very highly perfumed. This was confidered but as a flight repast, which was over in a few minutes. In the course, however, of two hours, the fame carpet was covered afresh, with large loaves, immense dithes of rice, either boiled in milk, or in a rich gravy foup; halves of sheep badly roasted; large quarters of veal; boiled heads of different animals: and fifty or fixty other dithes all crowded together, confifting of highly-feafoned ragouts, vegetables, jellies, fweetmeats, and honey in the comb. There were neither chairs, plates, spoons, forks, drinking-glasses, nor napkins : each of the guests squatted on the ground, took up the rice in his fingers, tore the meat in pieces with his nails, dipped the bread in the ragouts, and wiped his hands and lips with a flice of bread. The water was ferved in a pot; and he who did the honours of the table took the first draught. In the same way, he was the first to taste the different dishes, as well to prevent his guests from harbouring any suspicions of him, as to show them how firong an interest he took in their safety, and how high a value he set on their persons. The napkins were not brought until after dinner, when each of the guests washed his hands. He was then sprinkled over with rose water, and the pipes and coffee were again produced.'

The glorious victory obtained by Lord Nelson in the engagement with the French fleet in the Bay of Aboukir, which totally subverted the grand object Bonaparte had in view, of establishing a French colony in Egypt, and a communication with India, is described in a partial manner, as might be expected from a French writer; but his most affecting relation of his visit to the sea-side at midnight, after the action which had tarnished the lustre of their arms, and had restored the empire of the Mediterranean to the English, atones for every defect in his account of the bloody conflict; and demonstrates, at once, the goodness of his heart, and his fingular talent for pa-

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thetic delineation of scenes of human misery. Few readers, we believe, will peruse it without a tribute of tears to the manes of the wretched victims of the day. It begins thus—"The shore, to the extent of four leagues, was covered by wrecks, which enabled us to form an estimate of the loss we had sustained at the battle of Aboukir."—See the remainder from page 180 to 183 of this interesting volume.

We have now reached Chapter VI. which contains an account of the anniverfary feast of the Arabs on the birth of Mahomet, the firatagem of the Mufti to avoid it, and General Menou's politive orders that it should be folemnized as usual -of the music of the Egyptians-various races of the people in Rofetta-of the Copts, Arabs, Turks, Greeks, Jews, and Abyfinians -Adgis, or Pilgrims from Meccaand Egyptian women. The portraits of two of them are engraved, Plate XXXV. figures 1 and 2. An anecdote of the first exhibits a specimen of their libidinous manners: " She was a native of Rosetta, and married to a Frank. She spoke Italian, was handsome, of engaging address, and fond of her huiband. He was not, however, fo amiable, but that the could bestow a part of her affection elsewhere; and the jealoufy which enfued on his fide was the occasion of perpetual strife. She was all submission, and never failed to renounce the object of his suspicions. On the following day, however, there was a fresh complaint: the Lady again wept and repented: yet, the husband was never without some motive for scolding her. The house in which this couple lived was opposite to mine; and as the street was narrow, I became very naturally her confident, and the witness of her chagrins. The plague broke out in the city; and my neighbour was fo very communicative, that she could not fail either to give or take it. Accordingly, the caught it of her laft lover; bestowed it very faithfully on her husband; and they all three died."

The Author's further progress to the centre of the Delta—his description of the number and populousness of the villages—of the Almés, or Female Dancers, at Metubis—of Desuk, a large village, which has a mosque resorted to twice a year by all the nations of the East, in which two bundred thousand souls pay their devotions—a skirmish

with the Arabs at Scha-abas-Amerr, and the return of the party to Rosetta, are the subjects of Chapter VII.

From Rofetta, a fresh voyage up the Nile to Cairo enables our Author to describe the Pyramids—the general face of the country—the manners of the inhabitants of Cairo—the kindness of the middle orders of the people, and other circumstances, concurring, for the most part, with Sonnini's relation of the same subjects; but distinguished by three elegant views of the Pyramids, and a beautiful distant view of Cairo, in one plate, illustrating the narrative of incidents in this division of the Journal, Chapter VIII.

In the next Chapter, we have a curious account of the Mummies of the Ibis, the facred bird of the Egyptians, above five hundred of them being found in a fepulchral cave, in the vaults of Saccara, in feparate boxes, two of which were given to Denon, who, in company with Citizen Geoffroi, down to open them : the refult affords a learned differtation on these birds. See Chapter IX. p. 298. To this Chapter likewise belong a curious description of the juggling tricks of the Psylli, a fect of Egyptian Priests, who pretend to an absolute command over the ferpents in that country .-Of the tents, superstitious ceremonies, &c. of the Bedouin Arabs-the march of General Defaix's army to Upper Egypt in pursuit of Murad Bey-the desperate battle of Sedinan, and flight of the Mamelukes-alfo, Views of Old Cairo-of the Port of Boulac-of the great Canal leading to Cairo-and of the tombs of the Caliphs at Cairo.

The volume closes with General Defaix's return from Upper Egypt to Cairo for reinforcements-an account of the Convents near Bonefuef- of the Canal Jusef and other works. The employment of Denon, and the troops left to escort him, during the absence of Defaix, was to reconnoitre the country, to make a progress through it, and to levy contributions for the fupport of the army. In the course of this rout, he visited the lake Morris, examines the fertility of the province of Faium-the Pyramid of Bilabun, and other antiquities; and when Defaix rejoins him with a corps of twelve hundred cavalry, two hundred infantry, and a train of artillery, our Author indulges the hope of arriving the first at Syene, of realizing all his projects,

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and feeing the object of his journey fulfilled. In fact, the most interesting part of his travels was now beginning. "I was going," fays he, "to break up, as it were, a new country; to be the first to see, and to see without prejudice; to make researches in a part of the earth hitherto covered with a veil of mystery, and for two thousand years shut out from the curiosity of Europeans." Here, therefore, we find

a proper paule, for the present. And shall only, by way of note, remind the readers of the work, that presixed to this volume there is an accurate Map of Lower Egypt. Of the other numerous engravings we shall render an account hereafter, as they follow the progress of the travels, and are not either regularly numbered or properly placed in the three volumes.

(To be concluded in our next.)

Memoirs of a Family in Switzerland, founded on Facts. 4 Vols. 8vo.

This wonderful ftory belongs to the class of novels which a tane for the marvellous has rendered fashionable; the success of such performances as Lewis's Monk, the Castle Spectre, and several others, of recent date, has augmented the number of champions in the cause of superstition, the main support of the Roman Catholic religion; which Christian charity teaches to tolerate; but the propagation of which, in this Protestant country, it is our duty to

impede.

A reference to the Review of "A Journey from Edinburgh through Parts of North Britain," in our last (See September Review, page 201), will afford a timely hint to guard against the revival of a belief in ghosts, the impressions of which have descended from generation to generation, "and are not altogether extinguished in many parts of the Highlands and Western Islands." Notwithstanding the indefatigable pains that were taken by the first Protestant Ministers of the Gospel to eradicate this branch of superitition, and the affiduity of many of their successors in our day, it is to be feared, that the present taste for novels and dramatic pieces, in which fupernatural agency is the ground-work of the plot or catastrophe, may be the fatal means of intimidating and debilitating the minds of the riting generation, at that age when delusive impressions are most apt to fix a durable itamp on the future character-the age of adolescence.

Let parents and guardians reflect on these observations, suggested by an attentive perulal of the Novel now before us, which has the merit of an intention to serve the cause of virtue and piety, but through the means which, as Protestants and rational beings, we are bound to reprobate, more especially as we can truly affirm, that with very little trouble we could banish the Spectres, and the dead alive, in the "Memoirs of a Family in Switzerland," and yet, from the remaining materials, produce a very pretty, interesting, and instructive Novel, in three,

instead of four, volumes.

The scenes of this medley of inventive imagination; of beautiful and fublime description; of probable facts; and of inconfiltent, incoherent, and absurd incidents; are laid partly in Switzerland, and partly in England. A young English Lady, in a long visit to the daughter of Dr. Wesserman, a Swifs Phytician residing at Ritchterfwyl, his native village, in the canton of Zurich, contracts a warm and permanent friendship for the young Swifs, and on their separation, Angelica Belfont returning to England, a correfpondence by letters takes place, which is opened by Gertrude Wesserman, on the melancholy subject of their part-

The brother of Angelica, Sir Charles Belfont, who had likewise been a temporary refident in Dr. Wesserman's family, has fallen violently in love with Gertrude, and after his return to England makes advantageous proposals of marriage in a letter to her father; but Gertrude has long fince plighted her faith to Arminfield, the only son of a respectable neighbour; from their infancy, a familiar intercourse between the two families had given unmolested opportunities to the children to form an attachment to each other, which ripened into love. On the other hand, Angelica, during her abode at Ritchterlwyl, had discovered so many excellencies in this amiable youth, that it staggered her constancy to a valuant Naval English Officer of the name of Herbert; and Gertrude's brother has

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conceived a fecret infurmountable paffion for Angelica. These cross purposes in love constitute some of the cultomary perplexities of a Novel. and furnish ample scope for a series of letters. A dangerous illness however, and the knowledge of the inviolable engagements between her beloved friend Gertrude and Arminfield, restore tranquillity to the bosom of Angelica; and the rewards Herbert's constant assiduities with her hand. Herbert, for his fingular bravery, is raifed to the rank of an Admiral, and created a Peer; like other men of fashion, he is gallant, and is feduced by an intriguing woman to a breach of conjugal fidelity; and places in a proper point of view the danger of reforting to Masquerades.

As a specimen of the talents of the Authoress (for we have not the least doubt of the work being a female manufacture) in delineating the perfections of a lover, take the following, by Gertrude Wesserman-" While we look forward to the period that is to unite us, we each fludy to cultivate those manners and accomplishments calculated to infure our mutual happiness, and prolong the existence of the passion by which we are reciprocally inspired. Love may originate in personal beauty, but will scarcely outlive the fort feafon of youthful charms, unless it be founded on indestructible qualities."

" Arminfield's form at present is moulded to the most exact symmetry; his motions have an easy agility, arising from the lightness of his elegant figure, the strength of exquisite proportions, and the activity of youth. It glows in the ruddy hue of his complexion, it gives luftre to his fine dark eyes, fpark ling with lively intelligence and all the tire of genius. The gaiety of youth animates every feature, and his whole figure, with an indefinable expression, which personifies grace, and addresses the heart in each look and gefture"-Here we want only a Juliet, to cut him out in little stars, &c.

" But youth will lose itself in age. Time will bend his commanding stature, cramp his activity, dim the brilliancy of his eyes, fade the bloom of his cheeks, furrow numberless wrinkles on his smooth forehead, now ornamented with carelessly waving and luxuriant hair, whose shining brown will be bleached into hoary locks.

" Age," adds the lovely Gertrude. will deprive us both of personal attractions; but may give to our minds more charms than it can take from our appearance-trained in habits of goodness, they will become each day stronger, and meliorate our character." With this view, the lovers study together every accomplishment calculated to enliven their future days, and fit them for focial intercourse. Arminfield instructs his fair pupil in those sciences that are best adapted to her fex, in the specification of which we should not have imagined it was necessary to include either astronomy or mathematics. After geography, we should have introduced bistory; and in the place of mathematics, a course of natural history, as coadjutors to drawing and painting, juilly ranked as two diftinguished female accomplishments, nearly as fashionable at present as music, which closes the lift of Gertrude's instructive and "amusive occupations."

Angelica, exalted to the rank of a Peerels, regrets being obliged to fpend the winters in London, and, fettered by the constraints of fashion, to be devoted to its numerous polite amusements, one of which, a rout, the defcribes at length, in a letter to her Swifs friend, more accurately, and with more propriety, than any former account we remember to have read of

these motley assemblies.

" The real fignification of a rout," fays Lady Albion, "is burry, buftle, noise, tumult, uproar, or a search after fomething; also, a mob, riot, or public disturbance. These explications may, with strict propriety, be equally applied as a true description of this modern entertainment, peculiar to our

" The invitation to it is made without trouble. On a visiting card, under the superscription of the Lady's name, the defires her waiting-woman, or, if she cannot write, commands her to order the valet or footman to write down these few words-At home on Monday evening the 25th of January .-At the appointed time, it is an assemblage of people of almost every description, and nearly all classes, huddled together promiscuously without order, which is quite out of date .-Near a cold door, which stands open all the evening for the ingress and egress of the numerous visitors, and

the admission of the keen wintry wind, there stands a Countess. Next to her Ladyship stands the proud Lady of a City Knight, who was once a Grocer, and it is faid he married a waitingwoman; but that's no matter: people in this kingdom neither regard profession nor ancestry; Sir John Plumb is wealthy, and that entitles him to come into the best company; and his Lady's jewels make a splendid figure in it. My Lady was indeed very brilliant that evening. Next to her a respectable matron and two beautiful young ladies stand quite unheeded by the company. They were invited by the lady of the house, because she could not avoid it; but the does not pay any attention to her old friend or the charming girls her daughters. They are handsome, it must be confessed, but too modeftly diffident to make any effect in public; their dress is becoming enough to be fure, but it was not made up at the most fathionable milliners (or fancy-dress-makers): in fact, they could not afford it: they have loft their father, who was in the road to fortune, and was the benefactor of the master of the house, where they are now received as a prodigious favour."- The exhibition continues in a fimilar style through several pages, and fome of the characters are too well known to be mistaken by persons who are in the habit of frequenting these routs-particularly the apothecary's wife-the scene closes with cards, without which no fuch affemblies could be held; for the company being mostly strangers to each other, have nothing to fay to each other, and but for a foreknowledge of card-playing being the only entertainment in which they could expect to partake, would not have regarded the invitation. The

lively Authoress, therefore, annexes a disquisition on our card-players, as they form so very considerable a portion of the inhabitants of this immense metropois. She divides them into thirteen classes. The first and second we give as samples of the rest—

"Card-players by profession are gamblers, who make cards a trade. To-night they are i leally worth a hundred thousand pounds—to-morrow that sum is staked on a card, it is lost, and

they are really ruined.

"Professed card-players differ from the above in several particulars. The first class is entirely composed of men—the second of wo nen chiefly. The first make cards their trade—the second make them a business or occupation. The first live by cards—the second live

for cards."

As it is reither our inclination, nor within the limits prescribed by our duty to the public, to follow our leader through church-yards, or to visit gholts, or pretended ghosts, either amidst tombs, or in ladies' bed-chambers, we shall leave the plot and catastrophes of this extraordinary Novel to the gratification of the numerous constant readers of fuch productions; affuring them, that if the more rational part will take the pains to detach the ore from the drofs, they will find fome admirable fentiments worthy of prefervation; forcible recommendations of morality and piety; and fublime descriptions of the romantic scenery of Switzerland, at prefent the subject of general attention, on account of its intestine political dissensions, and the fatal commencement of a civil war, which threatens in its confequence a total subversion of its ancient free constitution and national independa

Travels in Upper and Lower Egypt, during the Campaigns of General Bonaparte. By Vivant Denon. Translated from the French. To which is prefixed, An historical Account of the Invasion of Egypt by the French. By E. A. Kendal, Esq. Illustrated by Maps, Views, Sc. 2 Vols. 8vo.

THE travels of Monf. Denon have been expected with impatience by the

Publick, an impatience which has been amply gratified. Besides the complete translation lately published *, the present performance claims attention, as containing 'a a mass of information of the most varied nature, and such as only the union of the Author's talents and situation could have permitted him to procure." Alterations and improvements have been made by the present

Translator to compress what is valuable in the original, and we think he has fucceeded in his attempt. The work is, as he afferts, a compression rather than an abridgment, and confults the advantage of a large class of readers, to whom we recommend the work, as interesting in its subject, and fatisfactory in its execution.

The Infidel and Christian Philosophers; or, The last Hours of Voltaire and Addison contrasted. A Poem. 4to.

The concluding scenes in the lives of two eminent writers are here depicted with truth and fenfibility. They fnew the power of religion on the human mind, and its superior efficacy in administering consolation and support in the hour of fickness and of death. To those who seriously contemplate the affecting circumstances here brought to view, few words are necessary to point out the affecting contrast. Every

reader, on the perufal, will be ready to cry out, in the language of the Pfalmist, " Let me die the death of the Righteous, and let my end be like unto his."

On the Improvement of Poor Soils, read in the Holderness Agricultural Society, June 6, 1796, in Answer to the following Question, "What is the bift Method of - cultivating and improving poor Soils, where Lime and Manure cannot be had?" With an Appendix and Notes. By J. Alderson, M. D. 8vo.

Agricultural pursuits are now fo much attended to, that we doubt not but this important enquiry will meet with the notice it so well deserves. Dr. Alderson has here offered to the consideration of his readers many experiments, accompanied with reasons which tend to thew that the improvements fuggested by him are worthy the notice of the practical Farmers. To them we recommend the present pamphlet.

SIR FRANCIS BURDETT AND DR. PARR.

THE following Correspondence between these Gentlemen has appeared in one of the Newspapers.

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" I am forry that it is not in my power to place you in a fituation which would well become you-I mean in the Episcopal Palace at Bugden: but I can bring you very near to it; for I have the Presentation to a Rectory now vacant, within a mile and a half of it, which is very much at Dr. Parr's service. It is the Rectory of Graffham, at present worth two hundred pounds a year, and, as I am informed, may foon be worth two hundred and seventy; and I this moment learn that the Incumbent died last Tuesday.

" Dr. Parr's talents and character might well entitle him to better patronage than this from those who know how to estimate his merits; but Tacknowledge that a great additional motive with me to the offer I now make him, is, that I believe I cannot do any thing more pleasing to to my worldly interest than the his friends, Mr. Fox, Mr. Sheridan, vice you have done me, in present and Mr. Knight; and I desire you, me to the Living of Graffham.

Sir, to confider yourself obliged to them only.

" I have the honour to be, Sir, " With the greatest respect, " Your obedient fervant, " FRANCIS BURDETT."

" Vicarage House, Buckden, " DEAR SIR, Sept. 26, 1802.

" After rambling in various parts of Norfolk, I went to Cambridge, and from Cambridge I yesterday came to the Parsonage of my most respectable friend, Mr. Malthy, at Buckden, where I this morning had the honour of receiving your letter. Mrs. Parr opened it last Friday at Hatton, and I trust that you will pardon the liberty she took in defiring your fervant to convey it to me in Huntingdonshire, where she knew that I should be, as upon this day.

" Permit me, dear Sir, to request that you would accept the warmest and most fincere thanks of my heart for this unfolicited, but most honourable, expression of your good-will towards me. Nothing can be more important to my worldly interest than the service you have done me, in prefenting No-

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thing can be more exquisitely gratify. ing to my very best feeling, than the language in which you have conveyed to me this mark of your friendship. Indeed, dear Sir, you have enabled me to pass the years of declining life in comfortable and honourable independence. You have given me additional and unalterable conviction, that the firmness with which I have adhered to my principles has obtained for me the approbation of wife and good men. And when that approbation assumes, as it now does, the form of protection, I fairly confeis to you, that the patronuge of Sir Francis Burdett has a right to be ranked among the proudest, as well as the happiest, events of my life. I trust that my future condust will justify you in the difinterested and generous gift which you have bestowed upon me: and fure I am that my friends Mr. Fox, Mr. Sheridan, and Mr. Knight, will not only share with me in my joy, but sympathise with me in those sentiments of respect and gratitude which I shall ever feel towards Sir Francis Burdett

" Most assuredly I shall myself set a higher value upon your kindness, when I consider it as intended to gratify the friendly feelings of these excellent men, as well as to promote my own personal

happiness.

" I shall wait your pleasure about the Presentation; and I beg leave to add, that I shall stay at Buckden for one week only, and shall have reached Hatton about this day fortnight, where I shall obey your commands. One circumstance, I am sure, will give you great satisfaction, and therefore I shall beg leave to state it. The Living of Graffham will be of infinite value to me, because it is tenable with a Rectory I now have in Northamptonshire; and happy I am, that my future refidence will be fixed, and my existence closed, upon that spot where Sir Fran cis Burdett has given me the power of fpending my old age with comforts and conveniences quite equal to the extent of my fondett withes, and far furpaffing any expectations I have hitherto ventured to indulge.

"I have the honour to be, with the greatest respect and most unseigned

thankfulness,

"Your very obedient faithful fervant,

" S. PARR."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE EUROPEAN MAGAZINE.

SIR

The prevailing passion for vocal mufic must form my excuse for requesting your insertion of a few remarks on the subject, designed to facilitate our estimation of the art itself, and of the various merit of its professors.

Notwithstanding the disrepute into which methodical divisions have fallen, from the frivolous and oftentatious pedantry with which they are sometimes displayed, they conduce so much, when judiciously chosen, to a clear and exact view of any subject, that I shall venture to employ them on one, where they may appear, at first view, most incongruous and unseemly.

Singing feems naturally to refolve itself into four distinct parts: I. Voice. II. Execution. III. Taste. IV. Expression. Let us attend to each.

I. The qualities of VOICE are Tone and Compass.—Of Tone, the requisites feem clearness, strength, and richness: clearness, as opposed to whatever is

thick or husky; strength, to tenuity and tremuloutness; richness, to meagreness or harthness. I am far from confidering these as all the modifications, good and bad, of which tone is fusceptible: there are many others. Nothing, for instance, can be more distinguishable than the ready terseness of Storace's voice, the luscious sweetness of Miss Tennant's, or the smooth flow of Mrs. Crouch's. All I mean is, to point out what appear the most striking of these modifications .- Compass explains itself, and furnishes little matter for observation. One topic, however, it suggests, which I cannot pass over. The compass of voice, in men, is frequently extended upwards, by what is called a feigned voice, or falsetto. To a refined ear, nothing, I believe, can in general be more dilgusting than these strained tones, as they are commonly employed: the notes themselves are never quite in tune, so as thoroughly to satisfy the

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ear; they seem to defy all delicate management; and they always stare from the fine mellow founds of the natural voice, like the strokes of a modern dauber, on an old embrowned portrait of Titian or Vandyke. By dint of ailiduous practice, the lower of thefe artificial notes may be fo fubdued and assimilated, as occasionally to come in aid of the natural voice; but I never knew an instance in which they would bear an obligato part with complete fuccess. Braham himself, who manages his voice on all occasions with infinite felicity, fails here, I think .-The highest, the clearest, the most powerful, and altogether the most extraordinary natural voice I ever heard, is that of a Mr. Smith, who is now, I learn, under the tuition of the A.shleys. If he succeed in giving it the finish of modulation, he will become a very great acquisition to the musical world .- Neither the tone nor the compass of the voice, is much under the power of practice: the tones may be a little improved; the compass a little extended; but nature must have done nearly all.

II. In the Voice, Nature does nearly every thing; EXECUTION depends entirely on ourselves .- Execution, so far as it respects a fingle note, consists in holding that note steadily and firmly, with different degrees of strength, in the same even tone; in swelling it, gradually and equably, from the gentlest aspiration to the utmost plenitude of volume; and lastly, in diminishing that volume, by the same imperceptible gradations, till it dies away upon the ear like the vibrations of a bell. Simple as these operations may appear, they are by no means easy: the last, indeed, is so difficult, that very few, even of the first performers, are perfect matters of it. Farinelli, who was great in every thing, is faid to have been transcendantly so in this particular .- The elements of execution, as it respects a succession of notes, consist, in paffing firmly, and without any perceptible interval of time, or change in either tone, from one note to another; or, in melting the two notes insensibly one into the other by a blended gradation of intermediate tones.—These requisites in the management of fingle notes and their connection attained, nothing remains to perfectionate Execution, but that

knowledge and that practice which is necessary for the acquisition of excellence on any musical instrument. One observation, however, I will make, because it holds universally true, and is too generally neglected. - Every note should be distinctly given. Even in the most rapid and difficult divisions, where what is emphatically called Execution, is most brilliantly displayed, not a particle should be slurred over: every thing, even to the minutest appoggiatura, should be touched .- I do not mean to fay with force and terfeness (that must depend on the occasion), but, on all occasions, with a decision that may strike the ear. It is only by a strict attention to this particular, that we can hope to emulate that precision and spirit which charms us in the first professional performers.-For eminence in Execution, we cannot look to higher standards, than Mrs. Billington, Mr. Braham, and Signior Morelli: they are perfect models, in their respective departments, of this fort of excellence.

TASTE is displayed in whatever is introduced to delight the ear, beyond what the composer has prescribed; either by some inflection of the notes as they stand in the score, or by the addition of others in the form of gracings. The subject is obviously too delicate for preceptive criticism: nothing but an original fenfibility, cultivated by an attention to the best models, can posfibly enable us to excel, or to judge of excellence, in this department of the art. There is an error or two, however, on the subject, which it may be proper to notice. In the first place, the insertions of Taste should intimately partake of the genius and character of the air which they are employed to decorate. A very different species of embellishment is required for " Hope told a flattering tale," and "The Soldier tired of war's alarms:" the gracings of the former, thould partake of the penfive and the tender; the adornings of the latter, of the animated and the grand. Nothing, however, is more common, than to find the same round of flourithes promifcuously applied on all occasions. In the next place, these insertions, except in ad libitum movements, should never interfere with the time. If the performer have not skill and execution enough to reconcile his gracings with this inflexgracings be dismissed. Lastly, even under both these restrictions, the infertions of Tafte should not be too ostentatiously obtruded; the performer, after all, is subservient to the commisapplied, if they serve to obstruct that impression which they should only tend to affift.—I cannot point out two more exquisite examples of judicious and tafteful decoration than Mr. Harrison and Mr. Braham.

IV. We are now arrived at Ex-PRESSION. Tones, almost as melodious as the voice, may be produced from the organ, the flute, and the oboe; from its wonderful and exquifite flexconveying the fense with the tone in which it is invelted; and from its proceeding directly from the person of the performer: by its flexibility, it is fusceptible of such turns and touches, true to nature and to feeling, as no instrument can reach; by combining the fense with the found, it prepares the passion which it designs to excite, and is left the eafy talk of inflaming the emotions which eloquence has kindled; by proceeding directly from the mouth of the performer, it is capable of uniting to both these capital advantages, the effect and interest of dramatic representation.-The only mode of attaining to Expression, in this enlarged, and indeed in any fense, is to kindle in our own breafts, the passion we design to inspire: this accomplished, nature will do the rel; without it art can do nothing. The only test of its existence, is an appeal to the same quarter .-- For high examples of this great excellence, I have no hefitation in pointing to

ible standard, by all means let the Mr. Kelly, Mr. Bartleman, and Madame Mara.

Such appear to me the four grand requifites for eminence in finging. They are evidently subservient to each other in the order in which I have placed pofer; and his efforts are miferably them; without Voice, there can be no Execution; without both, there can be little display of Taste; and without . the union of all three, Expression must remain imperfect. They naturally, too. succeed to our regard, and rise in real value, in the same order: we first fet out with admiring fimply a good Voice; we next begin to feel the fuperior merit of Execution; Taite in the management of both, at length attaches our efteem; till at last we justly Execution, in some respects, nearly give our rapture to the superior transas perfect, and in some, still more bril- cendant virtue of Expression. These liant, may be displayed on these and qualities may indeed obtain in different various other instruments; and some proportions, and in different comthing like an emulation of its graceful binations, in different performers; decorations, may, in hands of exquisite they may even prevail in the very opskill, be extracted by the bow; but, posite arrangement to that I have on the subject of expression, all compe- adopted; but it is only in the complete tition from instrumental music fades union of all four, separately sublimed away, and the human voice stands un- to excellence, that perfection can conparalleled and alone. Without enter- fift. Imagine a Voice of prodigious ing upon a disquisition on the faculty compals, and clear, and full, and powof founds to ftir the affections, the erful throughout all its extent : conpeculiar aptitude of the voice for this ceive this incomparable voice compurpole may be confidered as arising manded by an Execution the most correct, the most obsequious, the most ibility; from its exclusive property of brilliant: assume, as a presiding principle to guide these talents, a Taste. pure and exquisite in its nature, and appropriate, varied, and chafte in its application; lastly, feign all these qualities united in a vocal Garrick, full of feeling, full of discrimination, and anxious, as able, to employ them all in the great service of Expression-and we shall possess in our minds a standard of perfection as exalted as human ability can reach. Were I required to affign, from performers whom we have known. ingredients of excellence which might approximate the nearest to this imaginary standard, I would select for this purpose, with little scruple, the Voice of Marchen, the Execution of Billing. ton, the Tatte of Braham, and the Expreffion of Mara.

I shall here, for the present, close my observations on the art of Singing. Should they prove acceptable, I may perhaps bereafter follow them up with fome more detached remarks; and with a scale, on the principle of that of Gray's for painters, to express the par-

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ticular and relative proficiency of some distributed their talents. In the mean of our principal performers in each of time, I remain, &c. &c. the four divisions into which I have

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MR. BARRETT'S NARRATIVE RESPECTING HIS BALLOON *.

Swansea, Od. 17, Sunday Evening. MR. EDITOR, I ARRIVED in Swansea about eight o'clock on the morning of the 3.1t of August, with my wife and child, whom I brought from Devon with me to this place in the packet. My aerostatic machinery being under the care of a trusty servant, who was behind on the road, I waited in Swansea near a fortnight before I received any intelligence. Having taken up my residence, the fecond day after our arrival, at Mr. Griffith's, the linen draper, in this town, during this vacation, as I had plenty of leifure time upon my hands, I put together a large Montgolfier, made of tiffue paper, which measured twenty feet by eighteen in diameter, likewife a parachute, which was intended to be attached to the balloon, with a fmall car, containing a cat and dog, likewise a pasteboard box filled with combustibles, and a slow match, which was to fire the balloon, and burn away the cord which suspended the parachute and the two little animals. We had every thing ready by the evening of the intended day, which proved exceedingly windy; so much as to render the filling of the Montgolfier extremely difficult, but which I accom-

tlemen of the town. Just as I brought the fire balloon upon the stage, a Gentleman stept up to me and faid, "Mr. Barrett, send up the balloon to night, and you may get two or three hundred pounds in the town; all your fuccess depends upon to-night! if you succeed you will do well here," &c. I had the mortification to perceive a large hole just below the middle part of the Montgolfier; however, as it was of fufficient magnitude to contain enough of gas in the upper part to carry up its own weight, and we found that it made confiderable efforts to ascend, I defired the man who held the lower end of the rope which suspended the balloon, to "cut away;" the machine

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ascended; but in a minute was checked by the same rope, which took a dozen turns round about the eye of a key through which it was passed, as a fubilitute for a block which had been previously removed before the machine was filled, on account of the pulley not working free. The wind being high, brought the longest part of the Montgolfier parallel with the horizon, which immediately took fire, and was in a few minutes consumed; here was a failure that I felt feverely; and the more fo as there were about a thousand people assembled on the outfide of the Ball Court of the George Inn, which was the place fixed upon for my aërostatic experiments; however, chagrined as I was, this did not deter me from making (of the best materials I could get in this place, which was common printing paper, much too heavy) two other Montgolfiers, one about twelve feet high and fifteen diameter, and the other feven feet high, and the same diameter, exactly the same shape as Mr. Garnerin's cylindrical balloon, the top being fpherical. The first of these I sent up after discharging two dozen of good maroons, and a few light balls: it ascended very heavily to the height of about 4000 feet, and remained in the air till the fire went completely out, when it fell in the yard of a house about 200 yards from the place where it ascended, and was brought me back again very much torn. About one hour afterwards, I fent up the other, which was still heavier than the former; however, that ascended about 1,000 feet, and fell nearly in the fame fpot as the first, after being in the air about eight minutes. I let off a few more maroons, and left the court for that night. A few days after this, my large balloon, car, net, twenty tin tubes, and the rest of the apparatus arrived fafe in this port; and no other damage done except to the pipes, which were nearly shook to pieces, and unfit for use till repaired. I found

that the town feemed rather diffatisfied; but I begin to think that as the fight of a proper aëroftatic machine, with its apparatus, must be an entire novelty to fome hundreds of the inhabitants, I concluded that to attempt an ascent would be still more satisfactory, and, in some measure, make amends for the disappointment occasioned by the non-ascent of the first Montgolsier. It was very windy weather, and there was no covered building, or any other convenient place, to blow it up with common air, but the Ball-court, which was high enough, but expected to the atmosshere.

but exposed to the atmosphere. In this place I began to have it inflated in the morning; and after half a day's puffing and blowing with a small pair of forge bellows, which had twenty holes in it, we got it about 7-tenths full; the day's exhibition yielded twenty-two shillings; at dark we pressed out the common air, and removed it to my apartments.-A day or two after, I began to fill it again with common air; but the wind being very high, we again pressed out what air had been blown into it, and removed it to our lodgings; the amount of this day's receipts was four shillings, out of which I had to pay for workmen's labour, use of the Court, &c. about four pounds twelve fhillings and two-pence halfpenny, and I had about eleven shillings left to pay it with. As I had met with fo little encouragement either to go on with any more Montgolhers, or to attempt to raife the Aërostat, I began to think myself placed in a very whimfical predicament, not to fay unfortunate; and, upon retrospection, my past expences, labour, fatigue, and anxiety of mind, as well as ill success, and the daily flagellation of the Gentlemen of the Type *, put me almost to my wits end, to find out in what kind of mode I could propose to fill my balloon with gas sufficient to carry me up into the atmosphere! indeed it struck me once or twice, whether it would not be more profitable to cut up my balloon and fet up a manufactory of bathing caps, umbrellas, and hat-covers, of which I could foon have produced a plentiful stock; but again restecting that my favourite object was not yet accomplished. viz. making an ascent

into the air. I determined at all events to push my point to the utmost: accordingly, I published hand-bills, and folicited a subscription to the amount of 701. This would have been ineffectwal, had it not been for the kind interference of Mr. Russell, and another Gentleman, as there were three doubtful points existing in the minds of the people, viz. 1st, As to my being able to fill the balloon. 2dly, As to the pollibility of getting subscribers sufficient to pay the expences. 3dly, If the balloon was filled, whether I would ascend. However, the vitriol was at my requelt obtained by a Chymist of the town from Brittol and Neath, and Wednesday the 6th inst. was the day fixed. There were about 500 people affembled; I had been at work three days before in getting the casks, confifting of barrels, hogsheads, and puncheons, which were obtained with much difficulty and folicitation. About eight o'clock on Wednesday morning I began to fill the balloon; but, owing to a mifunderstanding, which occafioned delays, the gas condensed while I was waiting for vitriol; at length I was necessitated to stop the process of filling for want of vitriol, after using eight bottles, or carpoys, and was upon the point of haranguing the audience, when part of the stage broke down, and feveral perfons thereon fell, together with myself: I was no further hurt than falling on my thumb, which pained me for a few hours; a boy fractured the bone of his leg by the fall, which, as it was occasioned in some measure by the balloon as the primary cause, I acknowledge my felf willing to pay for the fetting of his leg out of the subscription money collected. Thus ended that day's business, which was very incorrectly, not to fay maliciously or ill-naturedly, stated in the Papers. This day's bufinels yielded me nothing except chagrin; however, I confoled myself as well as I could with the old adage, " that a bad beginning often makes 2 good ending;" and that there is "a time for every thing under the fun;" and though that time was yet to come, it might not be long before I should be able to rife above the clouds of adverfity, and hold my head as high as any other Aëronaut, either French or

^{*} Newspaper squibs were daily let off at the non-ascending disposition of Mr. Barrett's obstinate balloon.

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English. While I amused myself with these speculations. I was all on a sudden cheered with the animating hope of accomplishing my wishes, and depriving of their venom those wasps who had frung me fo often in the public prints. By the kind affiftance of the two Gentlemen before named, a formidable subscription was set on foot; the expence of a fresh supply of vitriol was guaranteed; and on my fide, to prove to those Gentlemen that I wished to render myself worthy of their confidence and esteem. I made no hefitation to fay, that I would stake my balloon and apparatus that I would fill it and afcend; which was approved of, and articles of agreement figned and fealed. Accordingly, last Friday was the day fixed; and, after getting the stage repaired, and all other materials ready the day before, we commenced the process of filling. I forgot to mention to you, that I had been occupied four or five days in revarnishing my balloon with elastic gum varnish, which I prepared just before I left London, to render all fecure, and prevent as much as possible a fecond disappointment. This job was done in the open fields alternately, as the weather permitted-pardon this digression. We commenced filling precisely at a quarter before ten o'clock; and by half past twelve the balloon was sufficiently inflated barely to carry up my own weight. About this time, a cask, which had been just charged with vitriol and water, burst and let out the materials: this occasioned some delay; beside which a fmart breeze, which fprung up from the north-east, occasioned a rent in the lower part of the balloon, owing to the great strain of part of the net across the filk of the machine, to keep it steady: we lost a great deal of gas; but foon repaired this trifling accident. From the difficulty of obtaining a sufficient number of casks, we were obliged to empty and again charge the small casks, while our large refrigatory, confifting of eleven tubes and larger casks, were at work. About half pait one, I went to my lodgings to get some roast mutton, part of which I fecured and put up in my pocket handkerchief, in case of descending

where no meat was to be had. I returned to the field; but in that space of time (about fifteen minutes) could not perceive much alteration in the fize of the balloon. I gave directions for the car to be flung. As our vitriol was all out, and the tubes flaccid, a little before three I got into the car with fifty pounds of ballast, a bottle of brandy, fome mutton and bread, flags. &c. all of which I threw out before the balloon began to afcend, except the bottle; and that went foon after to enable me to clear a hedge which the balloon got foul of. The populace then came up, and bore me and the balloon upon their shoulders to the extremity of the field, when I found myself rising gradually, and for the first time in my life abandoned to a new element. However, the pleasure I enjoyed in the prospect of the town and its environs, as well as rifing amidst the acclamations and applause of near 10,000 people, was very fhort lived; for at the moment I was whirling round my cap to take leave of the multitude below me, to my very great mortification and disappointment, I found the balloon descending, which it continued to do until it lighted gently about four fields distance, after which it alternately ascended and descended for the space of a quarter of an hour, carrying me over fields, trees, and hedges, and fometimes skimming a few feet above the furface of the earth. Finding all my endeavours to re-ascend ineffectual, I got out of my cradle; and, after opening the valve, the balloon, which was now lightened by 130lb. ascended with great velocity. till it appeared not larger than an acorn, taking its course directly over the fea, where it remained stationary; but foon after met with a different current of wind, which brought it within fix miles of the place it first ascended from, where it fell gently in the middle of a field, after being up three hours, and all the while in fight. The balloon was feized by the country people; and cut through the middle, to let me out, as they alleged, whom they supposed nearly or quite dead.

FRAN. BARRETT.

MR. TODD'S EXPERIMENT OF A DIVING-MACHINE IN RANELAGH GARDENS, ON THE 23D OF SEPTEMBER.

THIS Gentleman had announced his intention of descending into a refervoir of water twenty-five feet deep, to remain for an hour at the bottom. and to be furrounded with lights : but, notwithstanding the immense importance of fuch an experiment, provided it could be completely fuccessful, there were not more than 100 spectators prefent: the trial however, proved abor-The apparatus used on the occafion was a tub of deal, encircled with iron hoops, about eighteen feet in height, and not quite five in diameter; on a level with the top of which was a scalfolding. The Operator was provided with a dress formed of leather, iron, and copper, in which he was inferted up to his neck. A wooden box, with a pane of glass in front, was then put on his head; and this being attached to his leathern neck-piece, the joining was afterwards fmeared over with tar; he was then raifed by

pullies to the top of the refervoir: to fupply him with air, a flexible tube of cane, with copper joints, bound with cordage and tarred over, was ferewed into what he call d his headdress; and a second tube was con-nected in the same manner for the escape of the foul air. The whole appearance of the apparatus was extremely awkward: he was submerged several times; but did not remain under water above five minutes; and his want of success he attributed to the missitting of his coppersmith. He forgot to take down his lamp: fo that nothing could be perceived through the panes of glass, which were inserted about five feet from the bottom of the tub, for the entertainment of the spectators. When the Operator came out, he acknowledged his failure; but promifed to repeat the experiment at a future period.

THEATRICAL JOURNAL.

We understand it to be the intention of the Managers of the Winter Theatres, to give every encouragement to new Candidates for histrionic same, in all cases where there appears a likelihood of their talents deserving the notice of the Public: and hence, the short time that has elapted since the commencement of the present Season, has been very productive of novelty in this point.

SEPT. 27. At Covent Garden Theatre Mr. Cooke undertook the part of Hamlet. We mention this as a no-velty; but respect the general meris of this Actor too much to enter on the painful task of minutely analyzing his performance of this character. Suffice it to say, that he completely failed in it, and greatly risqued his well-earned reputation.

The performance, however, introduced a Missire Reeve, daughter of the Composer, for the first time to the Stage, in the character of Ophelia. Her figure is petite, but elegant; her countenance is expressive, and her voice more pleasing than powerful. She

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fung with fweetness and skill some new and scientific melodies which (we suppose with a view of distinguishing her talents) had most abfurdly been fubilituted in place of the simple and interesting warblings to which we have been accurtomed and which always charmed the ear. - Can anything be more ridiculous, than to hear a poor female, wholly bereaved of her fenfes, executing with the utmost taste, time, and exactness, the divisions and cadences of a laboured and difficult piece of music? -The audience were evidently difgusted with the innovation; though, in tenderness to the fair debutant, they abstained from loudly expressing their displeasure. - Miss Reeve seems to have been intended to supply the vacancy occasioned by Miss Waters's secession from the Stage; and the specimens that we have fince had of her talents convince us that the Public will lose nothing by the change.

the Southampton Theatre) appeared for the first time at Drury lane in the characters of fabel (in the Jew), and

P p Robin

Robin Rough-head (in Fortune's Frolics). In appearance and manner he is not unlike the late Mr. Blanchard, of Covent Garden. His person is neat and well-proportioned, his countenance good; and his voice seems to possess fusficient power and versatility to render him extremely useful in a wide range of comic characters. His rustic dialect, gait, and manner, in the Farce,

were much applauded.

7. Mr. STEPHEN KEMBLE, from Newcastle, (who had engaged with the Proprietors for a few nights' performance) made his appearance at Drury-lane as Sir John Falstaff (in the First Part of Henry the Fourth). Mr. Kemble's well-known rotundity of person naturally led him to expect that the wits would be jocular with him he therefore wrote the following humorous descant upon his own obestty, which was admirably delivered by Mr. Bannister, jun. and frequently interterrupted by general bursts of laughter:

A Falfaff here to-night, by Nature made, Lends to your favourite Bard his pond'rous

No man in buckram he! no stuffing gear, No seather-bed, nor e'en a pillow beer! But all good honest flesh, and blood, and

And weighing, more or less, some thirty Upon the Northern Coast by chance we

caught him, [brought him, And hither in a broad wheel'd waggon For in a chaife the variet ne'er could enter, And no mail-coach on fuch a fare wou'd

Blest with unwieldiness, at least his size Will favour find in ev'ry critic's eyes. And should his humour, and his mimic

Bear due proportion to his outward part, As once 'twas faid of MACKLIN in the Jew,

This is the very Falstaff Shakespeare drew. To you, with diffidence, he bids me.

fay, [mand his stay, Should you approve, you may com To lie and swagger here another day: If not, to better men he'll leave his fack,

And go, as ballaft, in a collier, back.

His performance of the character furnished an excellent treat to the lovers of the Drama, and shewed him to be an original thinker, and not a copyist from any that had gone before him. His jollity and humour were natural and gentlemanly, though occa-

fionally, we thought, rather loud and declamatory than luxuriant and facetious. His voice is clearer than that of his brother John's, but not much more various in its tones; yet, from a critically just conception of the part, he contrived to throw a variety and richness into it, that has not been equalled fince the days of Henderson.

In the scene where he sits down to divide the booty, he fucceeded admirably. Nothing could be better described than the gleam of contentment on his countenance, and his chuckling at being fo fortunate, with fo little danger to himself. At Dame Quickly's, after his adventure on the highway, the importance of his manner, the feeming contempt for the Prince and Poins, succeeded by his confusion and confessional burst when he saw that he was completely hemmed in, were in the true spirit of his character. He was greatly applauded also on his arrival at Shrewsbury. His disquisition upon honour was given with admirable effect; and his boafting on Percy's death drew down three distinct peals of of applause.

Mr. Pope hit off the part of Hotspur, and Mr. Wroughton that of the King, with much credit; indeed, the piece was, on the whole, well cast, and has several times since attracted full houses.

8. Miss Waddy, daughter of the Comedian, appeared on Covent Garden Stage, in the character of Julia Faulkner (in The Way to Get Married). This very young lady possesses an interesting figure, and is a promising Theatrical bud. She was very kindly received, and merits encouragement.

America after about seven years absence, refumed his station on the boards of Covent Garden, as Hecate (in Macheth), with no diminution either in his vocal powers or his personal dimensions. We presume that he has been engaged in contemplation of the secession of Torussend (now mine host or the Horns*); who, probably, finds it necessary to "keep his house, that his house may keep him." In point of talent as an actor at least, the latter had greatly the advantage of Mr. Darley.

13. At Drury-lane a Mr. HAR-DINGE (from the Philadelphia Theatre) made his appearance in the character of Major O'Flaherty (in The West Indian). This gentleman appeared to be well acquainted with the bufiness of the Stage. His person is manly, and above the middle size; his voice not much unlike that of Mr. Barrymore; his face, though not very strongly marked, seems capable of expressing all that genteel comedy usually requires. He supported the character with feeling and energy; but fometimes, we thought, relaxed from the brogue of the Irish gentleman into that of the peafant. His demeanour, however, was polite and becoming, and he met with a very favourable reception.

15. Mr. Braham being fuddenly taken ill, his part in The Cabinet was undertaken at Covent Garden (at a very fhort notice) by Mr. WOODHAM, a trumpeter in the orchestra, and a very young man, who, it feems, had performed two or three times in some provincia! Theatre. - As he came forward with great diffidence, and folely to prevent the audience from being disappointed of the Opera that evening, his endeavours were received with great candour and kindness.

18. Mr. Lewis, of Covent Garden Theatre, was feized with a very alarming illness during the rehearfal of a new Comedy of Mr. Reynolds's. It was observed, that he had an unusual flush of colour in his face; but nothing was thought of it. He went nearly through the rehearfal; when, foon after beginning the last act, he fuddenly stood still, and, to the surprise of every one, ceased to speak. The Prompter continued prompting; after about half a minute, Mr. Lewis ex-claimed-" Ah! ah!" and whirling round, as if by giddiness, he fell down. Every one immediately flew to his affistance; he was lifted into a chair, his neckcloth untied, and it was thought he had fallen in an apoplectic fit. As foon as affiftance was procured, he was bled in the arm, but without effect. Dr. Kennedy and Mr. Wilfon then arriving, had him removed into the Green Room, where he was cupped; and the blood taken in this way happily relieved his head, and restored him to his senses. He was then removed to his own house, and was next morning pronounced out of danger; but continued for several days too ill to refume his professional functions.

Mrs. Glover (late of Covent Garden Theatre) made her first appearance at Drury-lane, as Mrs. Oakley (in The Fealous Wife). This lady's talents are well-known; it is, therefore, sufficient to say, that she played the part with much spirit and propriety, and was greatly applauded .-She cannot fail to be a valuable ac-

quisition to this House.

22. A gentleman of the Navy Office, whose name we understand to be BRAINE, made his debut on the boards of Covent Garden, in the difficult character of Othello. Though possessing a good person, easy action and demeanour, and a just conception of the part, he failed for want of powers of voice to express the more violent fensations that are excited in the Moor. Beside which, we frequently observed a thickness, or lisp, in his utterance, which must for ever bar his way to theatrical eminence .- He received a very attentive hearing and much applause; but we cannot encourage him to adopt the Stage as a profession.

READING SCHOOL THEATRICALS .-The annual Play performed by the young Gentlemen of Dr. VALPY's School (the receipts of which were humanely appropriated to the benefit of The Literary Fund) for three nights attracted all the Beauty and Fashion of Reading and its vicinity. The Play was the Merchant of Venice. The Performers in their respective characters displayed much taste and classical judgment; and where general excellence prevailed, it would be unfair to diftinguish individual merit. Suffice it therefore, to fay, that the young Actors received and deserved the plaudits of very numerous and respectable audiences.

Of the Prologue (written by Mr. PyE, the Poet Laureat,) we have not yet obtained a copy, The following, however, was the

EPILOGUE,

written by Mr. Bollond, and spoken by Mr. Wheelwright, in the character of Portia.

You, who fo oft before affembled here, In pity's cause have dropp'd the sacred

With ready hands bestow'd the kind re-And shar'd your comfort with the sone of grief:

You well I know. Your charity to raile, No beggar's cant requires, nor courtier . phrase. In feeling minds unvarnish'd truths pre-

Beyond fictitious myll'ry's artful tale. Proud

ble death:

'Tis gone-the fearthing freams the vi-Proud of the task to my poor skill contals gain. And ev'ry finew is convuls'd with pain; To-night I plead the cause of injur'd Lite can no more fultain the unequal hight, Of mind, whose bright and heav'n afpir-He dies-and Briftol's glory fets in night. ing flame Bleft be the man-who first in Learning's Is doom'd to languish in its earthly Extinct its blaze, and chill'd its genial Ting maid. Stretch'd forth his arm to fave the faint-2) w. Rais'd her pale form, upheld her droop-The sport of Envy, and the prev of Wee. Thread : Hope swells my boson-on each face I ing head. Gave, what the world denied-a little Whole comprehensive mind with nobiest The claims of starving genius must fuc-Long had our ifle, for virtuous deeds re-(To make his bounty lading as his fame), nown'd. Awak d the wender of the nations round; First form'd the gen rous plan, in whose Aftenith'd travellers admir'd, and prais'd fupport I come this night your charity to court. The fumptuous palaces by Pity rais'd. Touch'd by that talifman, imperial gold, By wounds ditabled in the battle's rage, Or worn by toil and fast approaching The prison gates with eager halte unfold. Still'd is the watchful Cerb'rus of the The Soldier bids adieu to worldly ffrife, Titraw. law. And learned Mis'ry quits her bed of 'Mid Chel'ea's groves to pais the eve of To light and joy reltor'd, the nymph purffleets reftore When, crown'd with glory Britain's The Sons of Valour to their native shore, Her fav'rite toil, her wonted talk renews; The hardy Vet'ran views, with fund de-Roves thro' the maze of fancy unconfin'd, Freedom alone gives energy to mind; light. This fight -Safe from their malice, forms the frowns The tow'rs of Greenwich burfting on Not such the Scholar's fate-no spacious of men, And rescued Genius is herself again. dome Supplied the Child of Science with a OCCASIONAL ADDRESS, Tho' traught with genius, 'twas his hap-Spoken previous to the Representation of le's lot To toil for empty praise, and he forgot: HAMLET at a Private Theatre. In days of yore, ere Learning's reign To starve in tecret, or be do m'd to dwell Th' imprison'd tenant of the gloomy cell; was known, Or Science with its fairest lustre shone, 'Till, press'd by ills too great for man to While, yet, the dark, untutor'd, feeble [iin'd, mind, He funk, at last, the victim of despair. To rude and favage cultoms was con-Ah! there-methinks with these affright-A Bard arose to teach th' unletter'd age, And, friend to virtue, rear'd the infant I fee the finade of famish'd Otway rise! Immortal Osway, darling fon of fame, Slage. Mankind with pleasure hail'd the noble At once the cation's glory, and her maine. Receiv'd its lessons, and rever d the man: Hark! 'tis the plaintive tound of wee I To future ages fill transmit his namehear, And Thefpis lives, immortaliz'd by Fame! The greans of death now vibrate on my In after-times, when locial ties began Thy ipirit, Savage, from the dungeon To claim an empire o'er the mind of contend, And screams of forrow shake the solid See Greece and Rome with rival arts All's still-'tis past-th' indignant foul And the Stage flourish-as the People's is fled, The Poet's free-he numbers with the friend ! Still, thill, the fiends their magic tpells Draw humble merit from its low retreat, And lash the crimes and follies of the renew, Oh! hide the horrid vision from my view! Great ; Raise the fick captive from his lonely Mifguided youth, thy mad delign forego, And call down curies on a Tyrant's Switt from thine impious hands the p. ifon throw: [Stage, Ithy breath, Bear, bear thy fate, 'till Heav'n demand When such the useful purpose of the Drink not-the vial's drugg'd with dou-To form the people, and instruct the

We

We gladly volunteer in such a cause,
And hail the Drama with sincere appearse! [mem'ry dear,
Still Snakespeare lives! to British
And claims of sympathy the tend'reit
tear.

* What tho' the Attic fire he never knew, Or from the Sapphic trings no tounds he drew: [age,

What tho' he ne'er perus'd the H neric Nor felt the beauties of the Mantuan Sage;

Yet the reftricted to this ifle alone,
Still Nature, charming Nature, was his
own!
[itore;
She frankly gave him from ber bounteous
All the possers d the gave, what could she

To night a few adventurers appear, And hope to find a gen'rous welcome Whate'er their merit, or how slight their ciam.

Praise where you can - but pause vefore you And, as in 1 ine 1 ne, unfrequented port. Its tragrance slighted, and its charms torget, shead, The model violet hides its drooping And stricks, neglected, on its humble bed; series slighted to the morning sun its beaus different to the morning sun its beaus different with its geneal insurance. Its opining bud the tostering warmath receives, it drinks the dew-drop falling on its Middle and the stricks and the series of the

Yields its rich odour to the passing gale, And blooms—the pride and envy of the vale! [ceal'd— So be it yours to draw forth worth con-Yourselves shall reap the harvest of the

neid!
J. G. Jones.

POETRY.

THE RETREAT TO THE COL-

A POETICAL OLIO.

BY JOHN, THE HERMIT.

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OCCASIONAL POBMS, WRITTEN AT THE COTTAGE; WITH INSCRIP-TIONS IN THE GARDEN, &c.

XV.

Elegy on visiting the Remains of a Countryjeat, at which, during my Bnyish D.ys, I had payed the cappiest Moments of my Life.

To this lone vale, by Contemplation led, [quent stray!

Penfive, and worn with griet, I treO'er all its ruin'd beauties, as I tread,

Remembrance wakes, and paints my youthful day!

She talks of times when happiness was mine.

When Hipe sat similing on my placid Ete yet I dropp'd one tear at Sorrow's shrine!

[lets vow;
Ere yet I rais'd to heaven one truit-

I pause! for here the ancient mansion role, [bride: Where dwelt Agrestes and his frugal The nand of Time, e'en then, with secret blows, [eft pride. Had robb d the mansion of its fair-Still did its mouldering front, its spa-

cious bounds, [view: Infpire the mind with rev'rence at the Its fruitful orchards, and its garden grounds, [too. Produce the means of life and pleasure

But vainly, now, its long-lov'd bounds I trace! [ing feet;

The furly briar retards my wander-And shapele's heaps, which fill'd the ruin'd space, [retreat, Bid me, reactant, from my search

I feek in vain the lawn behind the gate;
In vain the fmooth-shorn box, and
spiral yews;
[state.]

In vain the spacious hall, devoid of And Memory weeps, regretful, as she views!

She notes the hours, of rustic hours most blest, [dome: When shouts of joy resounded thro' the "Tis harvest home" (exclaimed some maudian guen): [home." And soon torgot his toils in "Harvest

* It is generally believed, that Shakespeare was denied the benefits of a classical education; and obtained most of his information, and the incidents of many of his plays, from translations of French and Italian novels,

"Tis harvest home," a hundred tongues replied !--Ifparkling eyes. -Whilst many a fun-burnt lass, with As, hand in hand, the graced her lover's I for fighs. Heard his blunt vows, and echo'd fighs And many an age-worn fwain, and matron grey, Talong, By youths supported as they creep'd Glow'd with new vigour on that feltive [choral fong ! And join'd, with trembling voice, the I faw their eyes with finiles unwonted fhine ; I heard them talk of happier times of Close to their ears, I, pleas'd, united Tthey told ! And much I wonder'd at the tales Oft, on the marble floor that grac'd the Tthe plain, When burfting clouds had delug'd all At many a sport, I met with many a fall, Yet fill purfued, regardless of my pain. What lively joys my parting bosom ftrung ; knew ! The bat I wielded, and the bow I The drum I rattled, and the fife I blew, A noify imp! and hills and vallies rung! But all is filent now! mute every found! milk-maid's carol, and the thrasher's flail; [ground ; The creaking plough along the turrow'd The sportive children, prattling in the

Where is the cot, which, built beneath the hill. Was once possessed by old Agrettes' Where, oft, of milk and fruits I took my [work was done? When the horn fummon'd, and our O thou! with whom I shared each rural [were past, toil, With whom my happiest hours of life Oft would I follow, as thou till'd the [blaft ! And chide the bitings of the wintry

Alas! no longer at thy cottage door, At eve's return, shall I behold thee no more, Shall fold, with thee, the bleating flock Armed with a little switch in either

-I turn to yonder gently-rising hill, Where, lovely once to view! the garden role : [rill ;-Yon fedgy pool was then a purling No more it, twinking, murmurs as it

Where are the verdant walks, with mar-Flovelieft flow'rs > gins gay. Deck'd with the sweetest shrubs, and Where are the daified banks on which I lay? fjeff'min bow'rs? Where the tall elms? and where the Near you lone yew, the green-house reared its head. [were feen : Where fair exotics, rang'd in urns. At evening oft their parching roots I [pelling skreen. And o'er them clos'd the cold-re-But lo! the fun declines behind the hill ! fthe fky: You changeful clouds that redden in Whose transient forms elude the painter's A faithful emblem of man's life sup-O thou! whose flow-confuming hand, unseen. Bade all the glories of this vale de-Fre long, alas! thou'lt creep my breatt within. And steal a passion, or a pow'r away! O Time! to youth how bright thy profpects shine! To fair ! Entranc'd we gaze, allured by fcenes We little deem how foon the bow'rs de-[rish there ! Which Fancy's plastic hand bids flou-With eager footsteps as we urge the chace, And bufy Hope leads onward to de-A group of forrows check our heedless [all is night ! pace, Tear us from Hope's fond arms, and Wakes not the Spring to grace with flow'rs the plain; [ver creft; Lifts not the Moon on high her fil-Nor Day returns, with all its active train, But some sweet hope expires within the brealt. Not distant far, perhaps, the saddening year, [foul's delight ; When death shall snatch me from my When, fick of life, I dwell a hermit Grown fond of ruin, and the gloom of Perhaps like thee, O bard of Arun's ftream # ! Feel all the radiance of my mind de-Feel all its fires extinct ! fave one faint gleam! [vine! Oh " darkness visible!" Oh ray di-Weak! fuffering man! how gloomy is thy view! [scene will rife, But cease, my soul ! a brighter When to this transient world thou bid'ft adieu, [parent skies !

And feek'ft, on trembling wing, thy

XVI.

Stanzas, addressed to Agricola Snellius, at Oxford *.

O LITTLE deem'd I whence the chaplet [around my head ! Which, Bard unknown! thou twin'd O little deem'd 'twas from the bower of Fame 1 I fed ! That Ihs' wave its parent roots had

Exult my Muse! and elevate thy ftrain! Firm be thy step, and bear erect thy

No more fit lonely on the diffant plain; No more let thoughts despondent gloom thy breaft !

The wreath was gather'd from the Mufes' Tthe Gothic night, From that fam'd bower, which, midst In Albion rais'd fair Learning's earliest Ilight. And faw the Arts diffuse their earliest

Yes! from no trivial frem the wreath was Tand me! Tho' the first tribute to my Muse O ! with what pride, fweet gift ! shalt thou be worn, Thou proffer'd branch from the Aonian

No vulgar hand the unfought wreath beflow'd, [rent bough;
Or pluck'd it, rudely, from its pa-But, to a Poet's care the gift I owed, Who courts the Mule with many a

fecret vow.

Yes! I must honour that auspicious

And ever bless that unexpected hour, When, penfive as I trod my lonely way, A Poet crown'd me, from the Muses' bower 1

Now, Steur ! exult! Now, native Dure! rejoice ! [crown'd. O Nymphs I by Isis, lovely Isis, Stour ! mix thy whispers with my Dura's [around. And each bid Echo swell the tale JOHN, THE HERMIT.

Cottage of Mon Repos, near Canterbury, Kent, July 3, 1802.

(To be continued.)

EXTEMPORE, JULY 16, 1802.

How widely Doctors disagree! One cries, " Abstain! abstain! " So shall beat foft each artery, " And health glow in each vein."

When, lo! another learned wight, In physic-skill more great, Cries, " Nothing do from morn till night.

"But eat, eat, eat, eat, eat +." RUSTICUS. Cottage of Mon Repos.

EPITAPH ON A LOVELY YOUNG LADY, WHO JOCOSELY ASKED THE AUTHOR, IN

A PARTY AT DINNER, TO WRITE HER EPITAPH.

GTERN Death at last has feiz'd my beauteous flower, [lefs charms; Spite of her youth, spite of her match-Not all our prayers could stop the ruffian's power, [lefs arms. Or fnatch the prize from out his ruth-

And now, beneath this melancholy fod, Her lovely form to moulder is conftrod. fign'd, No more to cheer the circle where the

Or charm us with her elegance of mind.

Hard fate, that beauty fuch a change should know, [fconce, Should turn fo foon to fuch a loathed A ghaitly skull, that not one trace can Of the lov'd beauties that adorn'd it

Dear maid, thy friend inscribes this mournful verse, [with woe, He whose afflicted heart's oppress'd He whose affection follow'd thy sad hearse, He who on earth shall comfort never know.

T. DAY.

Woodford, O.T. 1802.

EPITAPH

IN WOOLWICH CHURCH-YARD,

SACRED to the Memory of RICHARD BANKS, Shipwright, who was unfortunately killed on March 21, 1799.

* See a "Sonnet addressed to Rusticius Dellius, by Agricola Snellius," at page 448, Vol. XL.; alfo, "To Rufficius Dellius, at his Cottage of Mon Repos," Vol. XLI. page 207 of the European Magazine. + See Memoirs of Dr. Darwin.

The Shipwrights' Apprentices, as a testimony of their respect for his amiable character, and to perpetuate his memory, have caused this Stone to be erected by their voluntary contributions.

YE generous youths, whom fympathy has led
To raife this fad memorial o'er my head, While genial Friendship heaves for me the figh, [die: Remember, dear Companions, you must No human power can elude the blow; Death uncontroll'd lays all distinction low. [ways, Then let religious Virtue guide your That we may meet, and join in endless praise.

THE ROSE.

A PASTORAL BALLAD.

T LATELY one morning observ'd my fair Phyllis, [der'd alone, As in good Lycon's garden she wan-Improving the charms of the roles and lilies, To make them the nearer refemble her Tho' my joyful emotions I scarce could suppress, [howers, I stole into one of the neighbouring Where the sweetest of mortals I heard [flow'rs. thus addreis, In mellifluous accents, the sweetest of Gay child of Aurora! most beautiful Rose! The fairest in Flora's extensive do-Hafte! hafte all those exquisite charms to disclose, Tyet remain. That conceal'd in these promising buds Rash fool that I am! alas! why said I fo? [delay, That feast of the fenses a moment For experience tells us you scarcely can Cay. Before we perceive the approach of de-Tho' at present so constantly lov'd and [me, deceives ; admir'd, The voice of the world, Roie, believe As you fade, of its constancy it will grow tir'd, [with your leaves. And your friends fo fincere will fall off Imagine not vainly, when wither'd and You fill will continue to charm every For the bitter remembrance of excellence Produces at best but a tear or a figh."

maid. [could fubdue : But my patience no longer my love And revealing myfelf, I in ecitacy faid, What I fervently swore on her lips to be true. When that beauty shall fade that inraptures my mind, with thee: It shall not be fo, my fweet flow'ret, Should the rest of the world prove deceitful and blind, Thip in me. My Phyllis shali find more than friend-When the Rose. thro' the chill blasts of winter, decays, It then, I allow, will experience neg-And the girl who alone from her beauty gains praife, [must expect. As the equals the Rose, the same fate But when Time shall have robb'd my fweet Phyllis of youth, More pow'rful attractions the still will Inels and truth, retain: For the girl who to beauty joins mild-In her age will be fure to bear bloffoms again." Sept. 1802. J. H. MARIA. BY D. STIDOLPH. A H! once, alas! I had a friend fin-Her name Maria, fairest of the fair, Sweet as the honey of the Narbonne bee ; I lov'd my charming friend, and she lov'd Soon as the moon arose at filent night, Beneath the elm my love she blest my There, teated near the gentle meek-ev'd We to each other vow'd eternal love ; The bird of night, responsive, sung his lay; [way. The murm'ring brook beloiter'd in its Ah! we were happy, blest with health and youth; Sweet was each fcene, endear'd by facred But now, alas! no longer in the grove Sweet Philomel attunes his notes to love. The brook still murmurs on the oczy ground, But with a fad and melanchely found; The branching cyprus fills the moonlight glade, fhade.

Where once arose the tow'ring elm-tree's Maria's gone to the bright realms above,

And I, alas! no longer feek the grove:

But to her grave at midnight oft return,

And pour my forrows o'er her lonely urn.

Thus far I attentively heard the sweet

NEW PARLIAMENT.

In our Magazine for August, p. 146, &c., we gave a List of the Members returned to the New Parliament; placing the Counties, Cities, Towns, and Boroughs, which they respectively represent, in Alphabetical Order.—For the purpose of reference, however, we think it equally necessary to give the List in a different form; placing the Members' Names alphabetically.

[Those in Italics are New Members.]

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Abbot, Right Hon. Charles, Heytesbury Abbot, Right Hon. Charles, Woodstock Acheson, Hon. Colonel Archibald,

Armagh County Adair, Robert, Camelford Adams, Charles, Weymouth and Melcombe Regis

Adams, William, Totness Addington, John Hiley, Bossiney Addington, Right Hon. Henry, Devizes Ainslie, R. S. Midshall Alcock, John William Congreve, Waterford

Alexander, Henry, Old Sarum Allen, Jefferys, Bridgewater Amyatt, James, Southampton Anderson, Sir John William, bart-London

Andrews, Miles Peter, Bewdley
Andrews, Miles Peter, Bewdley
Annefley, Francis, Reading
Anfon, Thomas, Litchfield
Antonie, William Lee, Bedford
Archdall, Colonel Mervyn, jun. Fermanagh County

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Archdall, Richard, Dundalk
Ashley; Hon. Cropley, Dorchester
Astley, Sir Jacob Henry, bart. Norfolk
Atkins, John, Arundel
Aubrey, Sir John, bart. Aldburgh

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Babington. Thomas, Leicester Bagenet, Walter, Catherlough County
Bagwell, John, Tipperary County
Bagwell, William, Clonmell
Baillie, Ewan, Briftol
Baillie, Ewan, Briftol
Baillie, George, Berwickshire
Baker, John, Canterbury
Baldwin, William, Westbury
Bandylde, Sir C. W. bart. Exeter
Bankes, Henry, Corff Castle
Barclay, George, Bridport
Barclay, Sir Robert, bart. Newtown,
Hants

Barham, Joseph Foster, Stockbridge
Baring, Sir Francis, bart. Chipping
Wycombe

Barlow, Francis William, Coventry
Barlow, Hugh, Pembroke
Barne, Snowdon, Dunwich
Bastard, John Pollexfen, Devonshire
Bastard, Lieut. Col. Edmund, Clifton,

Dartmouth, and Hardness Beach, Michael Hicks, Cirencester Beaumont, Thomas Richard, North-

umberland Belgrave, Viscount (now Earl Gros-

venor), Chester

Bennet, Richard Henry Alexander, Launcefton

Bent, Robert, Aylesbury

Bentinck, Lord William Henry Caven-

dish, Nottinghamshire Benyon, Richard, Pontefrast Beresford, John Claudius, Dublin Beresford, Lord George Thomas, Londonderry County

Beresford, Right Hon. John, Enniskillen

Beresford, Right Hon. John, Waterford County Berkeley, Rear Admiral Hon. George

Cranfield, Gloucestershire Bernard, Thomas, King's County Bertie, Lieut. Gen. Albemarle, Stamford

Beft, William, Petersfield
Binning, Thomas Lord, St. Germain's
Birch, Jofeph, Mottingham
Bishiopp, Sir Cecil, bart. New Shoreham
Blackburn, John, Newport, Hants
Blackburne, John, Lancashire
Blandford, George Marquis of, Tregony
Bigh, Thomas, Meath County
Bloxam, Sir Matthew, kut. Maidstone
Bond, Nathaniel, Corff-Castle
Bootle, Edward Wilbraham, Newcastle-

under-Lyme
Boucherett, Ayfcoghe, Great Grimfby
Bouverie, Hon. Edward, Downton
Bouverie, Hon. Edward, Northampton
Boyle, Henry Vifcount, Cork County
Bragge, Right Hon. Charles, Brittol
Brandling, Charles John, Newcaftle-

upon-Tyne
Brodie, James, of Brodie, Elginshire
Brodrick, Hon. William, Whitchurch
Brogden, James, Launceston
Brome, Charles Viscount, Susfolk
Brooke, Charles, Chippenham
Brooke, Henry Lord, Warwick
Brooke, Thomas, Newtown, Lancashire
Brown,

Brown, Francis John, Dorsetshire Browne, Isaac Hawkins, Bridgnorth Browne, Right Hon. Denis, Mayo

County
Bruce, Charles Lord, Marlborough
Bruce, Patrick Craufurd, Evefbam
Buller, Edward, East Looe
Buller, John, East Looe
Buller, James, Exeter
Buller, James, West Looe
Bullock, John, Essex
Bunbury, Sir Thomas Charles, ba

Bunbury, Sir Thomas Charles, bart. Suffolk Burdett, Sir Francis, bart. Middlefex

Burdon, Rowland, Durham County Burland, John Berkley, Totness Burrard, Major-Gen. Harry, Lymington Burton, Francis, Oxford Burton, Hon. Francis Nathaniel, Clare

County

Burton, Major-General Napier C. Beverley

Butler, Hon. Charles, Kilkenny Butler, Hon. James, Kilkenny County Buxton, Sir Robert John, bart. Great Bedwin

Byng, George, Middlesex

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Calcraft. John, Wareham
Calvert, John, Huntingdon
Calvert, Nicolfon, Hertford
Campbell, John, Rothefay, &c.
Campbell, Lieut. Gen. Alexander,
Anstruther, &c.

Campbell, Lord John Douglas Edward Henry, Argyllshire

Canning, Right Hon. George Tralee Carbery, George Lord, Rutiandshire Carew, Reginald Pole, Fowey

Carnegie, Sir David, bart. of Southesk, Forfarshire

Cartwright, William Ralph, Northamptonshire

Castlereagh, Robert Viscount, Down County

Cavendish, Lord George Augustus Henry, Derbyshire Caulfield, Hon. Henry, Armagh County

Chaplin, Charles, Lincolnshire Chapman, Charles, Newtown, Hants Chester, Charles, Castle-Rising Chichester, Lord Spencer, Carrickfergus

Gounty and Town
Chinnery, Sir Broderick, bart. Ban-

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Chephane, William Douglas M. Lean, of Ki knefs, Kurofs/hure Clive, Hon. Robert, Ludlow

Clive, William, Bishop's Castle

Cochrane, Hon. Captain Alexander, Stirling, &c.

Cockerell, Charles, Tregony
Cocks, Hon. John Sommers, Ryegate
Codrington, Christopher, Tewkesbury
Coke, Edward, Derby

Coke, Thomas William, Norfolk Cole, John Willoughby Vifcount, Fermanagh County

Colquhoun, James, jun. Dumbarton-

Combe, Hervey Christian, London Cooke, Bryan, Malton

Cooper. Joshua Edward, Sligo County Coote, Major-Gen. Sir Eyre, K. B. Queen's County

Cornwall, Sir George, bart. Herefordshire Cornwallis, Hon. Admiral William,

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Cornwallis, James, Eye
Corry, Right Hon. Ifaac, Newry
Cotterell, John Geers, Herefordfhire
Courtenay, John, Appleby
Cowper, Hon. Edward Spencer, Hertford
Cranley, Thomas Vifcount, Guilford
Craufurd, Robert, Eafl Retford
Creevey, Thomas, Thetford
Crickett, Charles Alexander, Ipswich
Croshie, James, Kerry County
Curtis, William, London
Curwen, John Christian, Carlisle
Curzon, Hon. Robert, Clithero

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Cuft, Hon. John, Clithero

Dalkeith, Charles William Earl of, Ludgershall Dallas, Robert, Midshall

Daly, Dennis Bowes, Galway
Dalhacood, James, Gatton
Dathwood, Sir Henry Watkin, b

Dathwood, Sir Henry Watkin, bart, Woodstock Dawkins, James, Chippenham Dawson, Richard, Monaghan County

Denison, John, Colchester
Dent, John, Lancaster
Devaynes, William, Barnstaple
Dewerell, Robert, Saltash

Dickens, Francis, Northamptonshire Dickenson, William, Somersetshire Dickenson, William, jun. Lestwithiel Dillon, Hon. Henry Augustus, Mayo County

Dixon, Lieut. Col. William, Linlithgow,

Dolben, Sir William, bart. Oxford University

Douglas, Alexander Marquis of, Lancaster Douglas, Sir George, bart. of Springwood Park, Roxburghshire

Dugdale, Dugdale Stratford, Warwick-

Duigenan,

Duigenan, Patrick, LL.D. Armagh Duncombe, Charles, jun. Aldborough Dundas, Charles, Berkshire Dundas, Hon. Charles Laurence, Mal-

Dundas, Hon. George Heneage Laurence,

Richmond, Yorkshire Dundas, Hon. Laurence, York Dundas, Right Hon. Henry, Edinburgh Dundas, Right Hon, William, Sutherlandshire

Dundas, Robert, Edinburghthire Dupré, James, Aylesbury Durand, John Hodsdon, Maidstone

Egerton, Lieut. Gen. John William, Brackley Egerton, William, Cheshire Elford, Sir William, bart. Plymouth Eliot, Hon. John, Lifkeard Eliot, Hon. William, Lifkeard Elliot, William, Peterborough Ellis, Charles Rofe, Seaford Ellison, Richard, Lincoln Erskine, Hon. Thomas, Portsmouth Erskine, Major-Gen. Sir James St. Clair, bart. Dyfart, &c.

Erskine, Sir William, bart. of Tory, Fifeshire

Estcourt, Thomas, Cricklade Evelyn, Sir G. A. W. Shuckburgh, bart. Warwickshire Everett, Thomas, Ludgershall Euston, George Henry Earl of, Cambridge University

Falkiner, Frederick John, Dublin County Fane, Francis, Dorchester Fane, Henry, Lyme Regis
Fane, Hon. Thomas, Lyme Regis Fane, John, Oxfordthire Farquhar, James, Aberdeen, &c. Featherston, Sir Thomas, bart. Longford County

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Cambridge Fitzgerald, Lord Robert, Kildare County Fitzgerald, Right Hon. James, Ennis Fitzgerald, Right Hon. Maurice, Kerry County

Fitzgerald, Robert Uniacke, Cork County

Fitzbarris, James Viscount, Helston Fitzpatrick, Right Hon. Lieut. Gen. Richard, Tavistock Fitzroy, Lord Charles, St. Edmondsbury Fitzwilliam, Richard Viscount, Wilton Fleeming, Hon. Captain Charles Elphinstone, Stirling thire

Fletcher, Sir Henry, bart. Cumberland Foley, Hon. Andrew, Droitwich Foley, Hon. Edward, Worcestershire Foliambe, Francis Ferrand, Higham Ferrars

Folkes, Sir Martin Browne, bart. King's Lynn

Folkstone, William Viscount, New Sa-

Fonblanque, John, Camelford Fordyce, John, Berwick-upon-Tweed Forester, Cecil, Wenlock Fortescue, John Inglett, Callington Fortescue. William Charles, Louth

County Foster, Right Hon. John, Louth County-Fox, Hon. Charles James, Westminster Francis, Philip, Appleby Frankland, William, Thirfke Frederick, Sir John, bart. Surrey French, Arthur, Roscommon County French, Hon. Richard, Galway County

Fullarton, Colonel William, Ayrshire Fuller, John, Suffex

Fydell, Thomas, Boston

Gamon, Sir Richard, bart. Winchester Gardner, Admiral Lord, Westminster Garland, George, Poole Garrard, Charles Drake, Agmondesham Garthshore, William, Weymouth and

Melcombe Regis Gascoyne, Major-Gen. Isaac, Liverpool Geary, Sir William, bart. Kent Giles, Daniel, East Grinstead Glenbervie, Sylvester Lord, Hastings Goddard, Ambrose, Wiltshire Godfrey, Thomas, Hythe Golding, Edward, Fowey Golding, Edward, Plympton Earl Gordon, Alexander Penrose Cumming, For. trofe, &c.

Gower, Captain Eward Levelon, Truro Gower, Lord Granville Levelon, Staffordshire

Graham, Colonel Thomas, Perthshire Graham, James, Cockermouth Graham, Sir James, bart. Ripon Grant, Charles, Invernesshire Grant, Lieut. Colonel Francis William, Elgin, &c.

Grant, Right Hon. Sir William, knt. Banffshire

Greene, William, Dungarwon Gregor, Francis, Cornwall Grenville, Right Hon. Thomas, Buckingham

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Hall, Thomas, Berwick-upon-Tweed
Hamilton, Hans, Dublin County
Hamilton, Lord Archibald, Lanarkshire
Hammet, John, Taunton

Hamond, Sir Andrew Snape, bart. Ipf-

Handcock, Right Hon. William, Athlone

Hardman, Edward, Drogheda County and Town Hare, James, Knarefborough

Hare, James, Knaresborough Harrison, John, Thetford Hartopp, Sir Edmund Cradock

Hartopp, Sir Edmund Cradock, bart. Leicestershire

Harvey, Eliab, Effex Hawkesbury, Robert Lord, Rye

Hawkins, Sir Christopher, bart. Grampound

Hawthorn, Charles Stewart, Downpatrick Haynes, Samuel, Brackley

Heathcote, John, Ripon Heathcote, Sir Gilbert, bart

Heathcote, Sir Gilbert, bart. Lincolnfhire

Heathcote, Sir William, bart. Hampfhire

Henderson, Sir John, bart. Stirling, &c. Heron, Patrick, of Heron, Kirkcudbright Stewartry

Hervey, Frederick William Lord, St. Edmondsbury

Hill, Hon. William, Shrewfbury
Hill, Sir George Fitzgerald, bart. Londonderry

Hill, Sir Richard, bart. Shropshire Hilliard, Edward, Horsbam

Hinchinbroke, George John Viscount, Huntingdonshire

Hippefley, Sir John Coxe, LL.D. bart. Sudbury

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Hodfon, John, Wigan Holdfworth, Arthur Howe, Clifton, Dartmouth, Hardnefs

Holland, Henry, jun. Oakhampton Holland, Sir Nathaniel, bart. Great Bedwin

Honeywood, Filmer, Kent Honeywood, Sir John, bart. Honiton Honyman, Captain Robert, Orkneyand Shetland

Hope, Hon. Colonel Alexander, Linlithgowshire

Hope, Hou Colonel Charles, of Waughton, Haddingtonshire

Hope, Right Hon. Charles (Lord Advocate), Annan, &c.

Horrocks, John, Presson
Housson, Alexander, Glasgow, &c.
Howard, Henry, Gloucetter
Hughes, William Lewis, Walting ford
Hulkes, James, Rochester
Hume, William Hoare, Wicklow County
Hunter, William, Ilchester
Huntingsield, Joshua Lord, Dunwich
Hurst, Robert, Shastesbury
Hurst, Robert, Steyning
Hustey, William, New Sarum
Hutchinson, Hon. Christopher Hely,
Cork

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Jaffray, John, East Retford
Jefferys, John, Poole
Jefferys, Nathaniel, Coventry
Jekyll, Joseph, Calne
Jephjon, Denham, Mallow
Jervis, Thomas, Yarmouth, Norfolk
Jervoise, Jervoise Clerke, Yarmouth,
Hants
Inglis, Sir Hugh, bart. Ashburton
Joddrell, Henry, Bramber

Joddrell, Henry, Bramber Johnes, Thomas, Cardiganshire Johnstone, George, Hedon Jollisse, Lieut. Col. Hylton, Peterssield Jones, Walter, Coleraine

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Keck, George Anthony Legh, Leicestershire Keene, Whitshed, Montgomery Kene, Sir John, bart. Youghall Kensington, William Lord, Haverford-

west Kør, Richard Gerwas, Newport, Hants King, Hon. Captain Edward, Rescommen

King, Sir John Dashwood, bart. Chip-

ping Wycombe
Kinnaird, Hon. Charles, Leominster
Kirkwall, John Viscount, Heytesbury
Knight, Richard Payne, Ludlow
Knox, Hon. Doctor George, Dublin
College

Knox, Hon. George, Dungannon

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Ladbroke, Robert, Winchelsea
Lamb, Thomas Davis, Rye
Lambe, Hon. Penniston, Hertfordshire
Lambton, Ralph John, Durham
Langham, James, St. Germain's
Langmead, Philip, Plymouth
Langton, William Gore, Somersetshire
Lascelles, Hon. Edward, Northallecton
Lascelles, Hon. Henry, Yorkshire
Latouche, David, jun. Catherlough County
Latouche, John, jun. Dublin
Latouche, Peter, Leitrim County

Latouche,

Latouche, Robert, Kildare County Laurence, French, LL. D. Peterborough Laurie, Lieut. Gen. Sir Robert, bart. Dumfriesshire

Lawley, Sir Robert, bart. Newcastle under-Lyme

Lee, Edward, Waterford County Lefevre, Charles Shaw, Bodmyn Lefevre, Charles Shaw, Reading Le Fleming, Sir Michael, bart. West-

morland

Leigh, James Henry, Marlborough Leigh, Robert Halt, Wigan

Leland, Lieut. Gen. John, Stamford Lemon, John, Truro

Lemon, Sir William, bart. Cornwall Lenox, Major-Gen. Charles, Suffex Leslie, Charles Powell, Monaghan

County Leycester, Hugh, Milburne Port Littleton, Sir Edward, bart. Stafford-

Lloyd, James Martin, Steyning Loft, John Henry, Great Grimfby Loftus, John Earl of, Wexford County Loftus, Major-Gen. William, Tamworth

Long, Right Hon. Charles, Wendover Longfield, Lieut. Col. Mounteford, Cork

Lopez, Manaseh, New Romney Lovaine, George Lord, Beeralston Loveden Edward Loveden, Shaftefbury Lowther, James, Weitmorland Lowther, John, Cumberland Lubbock, John, Leominster Lushington, Sir Stephen, bart. Penrhyn Luttrell, John Fownes, Minchead Lygon, William, Worcestershire

Mackenzie, Major Gen. Alexander, Cromarty/hire

Madocks, William A. Boston

Maitland. Hon. Colonel Thomas, Jedburgh, &c.

Mann, Sir Horace, bart. Sandwich Manners, Lord Charles Somerset, Cambridgeshire

Manners, Lord Robert, Scarborough Manners, Major-Gen. Robert, Cam-

bridge

Manning, William, Lymington Markham, Captain John, Portfmouth Martin, James, Tewkelbury Martin, Richard, Galway County

Mathew. Francis Viscount, Tipperary

County May, Edward, Belfafe M. Dowall, Andrew, Wigtownshire M Dowall, William, Renfrewthire

Metcalfe, Philip, Plympton Earl

Somerville,

Metcalfe, Thomas Theophilus, Abing-

Milbanke, Sir Ralph, bart. Durham County

Mildmay, Sir Henry Paulet St. John, bart. Winchester

Milford Richard Lord, Pembrokeshire Mills, Charles, Warzvick Milnes, James, Blechingley

Milner, Sir William Mordaunt, bart. York

Mitford, William, Beeralston M. Mabon, John, Aldburgh

M'Naghten, Edmund Alexander, Antrim County

Moffatt, William, Winchelfea

Monckton, Hon. Edward, Stafford Montagu, Lord Frederick, Huntingdonshire

Montgomery, James, jun. of Stanhope, Peeblesshire

Moore, George Peter, Queenborough Morgan, Charles, Moninouththire Morgan, Sir Charles, bart. Brecon Morland, William, Taunton Morpeth, George Viscount, Morpeth Mostyn, Sir Thomas, bart. Flintshire Mundy, Edward Miller, Derbythire Murray, James Patrick, Yarmouth, Hants Myers, Thomas, Harwich

Nepean, Sir Evan, bart. Bridport Nevill, Richard, Wexford Newborough, Thomas Lord, Beaumaris Newcowen, Hon. Thomas G. Longford

County Newport, Sir John, bart. Waterford Nicholl, Sir John, knt. Penrhyn Noel, Gerard Noel, Rutlandshire North, Dudley, Banbury Northey, William, Newport, Cornwall Norton, Hon. Lieut. Gen. Chapple,

Guilford

O'Brien, Sir Edward, bart. Clare County Odell, Lieut. Col. William, Limerick County

Ogle, Henry, Drogheda County and Town

O'Hara Charles, Sligo County Oliver, Charles Silver, Limerick County O' Neil, Hon. John, Antrim County Orchard, Paul, Callington

Ord William, Morpeth Ormsby, Charles Montague, Catherlough

Ofborn, John. Bedfordihire Oiborne, Lord Francis G. Lewes

Paget, Kon. Arthur, Anglesea County Paget, Hon. Edward, Carnarvon

Paget,

Paget, Henry Lord, Milburne Port Palk, Sir Lawrence, bart. Devonshire Palk, Walter, Ahburton Palmer, John, Bath Parnell, Henry, Portarlington Parsons, Sir Lawrence, bart. King's County

Patten, Peter, Newtown, Lancashire Pattefon, John, Minebead Pedley, John, Hadon Peele, Sir Robert, bart. Tamworth

Peirfe, Henry, Northallerton Pellew, Sir Edward, bart. Barnstaple Penn, John, Heiston

Penn, Richard, Haslemere

Perceval, Hon. Spencer, Northampton Petty, Lord Henry, Calne

Phillips, John George, Carmarthen Phipps, Major-Gen. Hon. E. Scarborough

Pierrepont, Hon. Charles Herbert, Nottinghamshire

Pitt, John, Gloucester Pitt, Right Hon. William, Cambridge Univerfity

Pitt. William Morton, Dorfetshire Plumer, William, Hertfordshire Plummer, Thomas, Ilchester Pocock, George, Bridgewater Pole, Hon. William Wellesley, Queen's

County

Pole, Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Maurice, bart. Newark

Ponfonby, George Wicklow County Ponsonby, Right Hon. William Brabazon, Kilkenny County

Porcher, Josiah Dupré, Bodmyn Porchester, Henry Lord, Cricklade Porter, George, Stockbridge

Portman, Edward Berkeley, Boroughbridge Powell, John Kynaston, Shropshire

Povntz, William Stephen, St. Alban's Praed, William, St. Ives Preston, Sir Robert, bart. Cirencester

Price, Charles, London Price, Richard, New Radnor

Prinsep, John, Queenborough Proby, William Allen, Viscount, Bucking-

Pulteney, Sir James, bart. Weymouth and Melcombe Regis

Pulteney, Sir William, bart. Shrewf-

Pytches, John, Sudbury

Raine, Jonathan, St. Ives Ram, Abel, Wexford County Richardson, Joseph, Newport, Corn-

Ridley, Sir Matthew White, bart. Newcastle upon-Tyne

Robarts, Abraham, Worcester Robinson, John, Bishop's Castle Robinson, John, Harwich Rochfort, Guffavus, Westmeath County

Rooke, Lieut. Gen. James, Monmouth-

Rose, George Henry, Southampton Rofe, Right Hon. George, Christchurch

Rofs, Major Gen. Sir Charles, bart. Rossshire

Ross, Patrick, Horsham Rowley, Samuel Campbell, Kinfale Ruffell, Lord William, Surrey Rustell, Matthew, Saltash Rutherfurd, John, Selkirkshire Ryder, Hon. Richard, Tiverton Ryder, Right Hon. Dudley, Tiverton

Salusbury, Sir Robert, bart. Brecon Savage, Francis, Down County Savile, Christopher, Heydon Saunderson, Francis, Cavan County Scott, Claude, Malmelbury Scott, David, of Dunninald, Perth, &c. Scott, Hon. John, Boroughbridge Scott, Joseph, Worcester Scott, Right Hon. Sir William, knt.

Oxford University Scott, Samuel, Malmefbury Scott, William Henry Cavendish Bentinck, Marquis of Titchfield,

Buckinghamshire Scudamore, John, Hereford Seymour, Lord Robert, Orford Shakespeare, Arthur, Richmond, York-

fhire Shelley, Flenry, jun. Leaves Shelley, Timothy, New Shoreham Sheridan, Richard Brinsley, Stafford Shum, George, Honiton Sibthorpe, Humphrey, Lincoln Simpson, Hon. John, Wenlock Sinclair, Sir John, bart. Caithnessshire Sloane, Hans, Lestwithiel Smith, Charles, Westbury Smith, George, Midhurst Smith, John Spencer, Dover Smith, John, Wendover Smith, Joshua, Devizes Smith, Samuel, Leicester Smith, Samuel, Midhurst Smith, Sir William Sidney, knt. Rochester Smith, Thomas Assheton, Andover Smith, Thomas, West Love Smith, William, Norwich Smith, William, Westmeath County

Smyth, John, Pontefract Sneyd, Nathaniel, Cavan County Somerset, Lord Charles Henry, Monmouth

Somerville,

Somerville, Sir Marcus, bart, Meath County

Spalding, John, Stranraer, &c.

Spencer, John, Wilton Spencer, Lord Francis Almeric, Ox-

fordshire

Spencer, Lord Robert, Taviffock Stanhope, Walter Spencer, Carlifle Staniforth, John, King flon-upon-Hull Stanley, Edward Lord, Preston Stanley, Thomas, Lancashire Steele, Right Hon. Thomas, Chichester Steele, Robert, Weobly

Stephens, Sir Philip, bart. Sandwich Steward, Gabriel Tucker, Weymouth

and Melcombe Regis

Stewart, Hon. Charles, Londonderry County Stewart, James, Tyrone County Stewart, Right Hon. John, Tyrone County

Stewart, Sir James, bart. Donnegal County

St. John, Hon. Gen. Henry, Wootton-Baffet

St. John, Hon. St. Andrew, Bedford-

Strachey, Sir Henry, bart. East Grinftead

Strahan, Andrew, Wareham Strange fames, Oakhampton Strutt, Joseph Holden, Malden Stuart, Lord William, Cardiff

Stuart, Sir John, bart. of Fettercairn, Kincardineshire

Sturges, William, Christchurch Sudley, Arthur Viscount, Donnegal

Sulivan, John, Aldborough Sullivan, Richard Joseph. Seaford Sutton, George, Bramber Sutton, Sir Thomas Manners, knt. Newark

Sykes, Sir Francis, bart. Wallingford Symonds, Thomas Powell, Hereford

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Thellusson, Charles, Evesham Thellusson, P. I. Castle-Rising Thomas, George White, Chichester Thornton, Henry. Southwark Thornton, Robert, Colchester Thornton, Samuel, Kingston upon-

Thoroton, Thomas, Grantham Thynne, Lord George, Weobly Thynne, Lord John, Bath

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Townshend, Lord John, Knaresborough Trail, James, Orford

Trevanion, John Dover

Troubridge, Sir Thomas, bart. Yarmouth. Norfolk

Tudway, Clement, Wells

Turner, Sir Gregory Page, bart. Thirike Tyrwhitt, Thomas Drake, Agmondefham

Vansittart, George, Berkshire Vansittart, Nicholas, Old Sarum Vaughan, Hon. John, Cardigan Vaughan, Sir Robert Williames, bart. Merioneththire

Vereker, Charles, Limerick

Villiers, Right Hon. John Charles, Tain, &c.

Wallace, Right Hon. Thomas, Hindon Walpole, Hon. George, Derby Walpole, Hon. Horatio, King's Lynn Walsh, John Benn, Blechingley Ward, Hon. John William, Downton Ward, Robert, Cockermouth

Warren, Admiral Sir John Borlase, bart. Nottingham Watfon, Hon. George, Canterbury

Welby, Sir William Earle, bart. Grantham West, Hon. Frederick, Denligh Weitern, Charles Callis, Malden Wharton, John, Beverley

Wharton, Richard, Durham Whitbread, Samuel, Bedford White, Mathew, Hythe Whitmore, John, Bridgnorth Wickbam, Right Hon. William, Cashell

Wilberforce, William, Yorkshire Wilkins, Walter, Radnor County Willet, John Willet, New Romney

Williams, James Hamlyn, Carmarthen. Mire

Williams, John, Windfor Williams, Owen, Great Marlow Williams, Robert, jun. Wootton Baffet Williams, Sir Kobert, bart. Carnar-

vonshire Williams, Thomas, Great Marlow Williams, Watkin, Flint

Windham, Right Hon. William, St. Mawes

Winnington, Sir Edward, bart. Droitwich

Wood, George, Hastemere Wood, Mark, Gatton

Worcester, Henry Charles Marquis of, Glouceitershire

Wortley,

Wortley, James Archibald Stuart, Bof-

Wright, John, Atkyns, Oxford Wrottefley, Sir John, bart. Litchfield Wyndham, Henry Penruddock, Wilt-

fhire Wyndham, Thomas, Glamorganshire Wynn, Charles Watkin Williams, Montgomery shire

Wynn, Sir Watkin Williams, Denbighshire Wynne, Owen, Sligo

Yarmouth, the Earl of, Lisburne York, Joseph Sydney, Ryegate Yorke, Right Hon. Charles, Cambridgeshire Young, Sir William, bart. St. Mawes

STATE PAPERS.

INDEMNITIES IN GERMANY.

THE Imperial Commissioners having refused to ratify the Conclusum of the Extraordinary Deputation, the following important Notes have been presented by the Ministers of France and Russia :-

NOTE OF THE FRENCH MINISTER.

The underligned Minister Extraordinary of the French Republic to the Diet of the Germanic Empire has taken the earliest opportunity of transmitting to his Government the Rescript communicalled by the Sub-delegate of Bohemia to the Extraordinary Deputation of the Empire, in the fitting of the 24th of August, and communicated also to the underligned on the 28th of the faid month. He is charged to transmit to the Deputation the following observations :- The First Consul has been much affected to see that his intentions for fecuring the peace and prosperity of the Germanic Body have been misunderstood, since they reproach him with not having answered the overtures made by his Imperial and Royal Majetty, fince the conclution of the Treaty of Luneville, and having thus retarded to Germany, that interesting portion of Europe, the advantages of the peace, he must declare, that the overtures which, though confidential and fecret, are at prefent publickly alluded to by the Court of Vienna, far from being calculated to procure the execution of the 9th article of the Treaty of Luneville, could tend only to remove, rather than to indicate, the means of providing for the indemnifica. tion of so many secular Princes who had fustained such considerable losses; their only object was to regulate the indemnification of the Archduke Ferdinand, by employing lay and hereditary dominions. The projects of the Court of Vienna tended to extend its territory beyond the Lech, and their effect confequently would have been to erate Bayaria from

the number of the Powers. Justice and generofity, which are always the first heard in the heart of the First Consul, made it a law with him to forget what wrongs the Elector might have done to the Republic, and not to fuffer to perish a State weakened and threatened, but however hitherto secured by the policy of the Governments interested in maintaining a just equilibrium in Germany; for if the equilibrium of Europe requires that Austria should be great and powerfu!, that of Germany requires that Bava is thould be preserved entire, and protected from all farther invasion. What would become of the Germanic Body, if the principal States which compose it should see their independence every moment endangered! and would not the honour of that ancient federation fuffer, by weakening a Prince whose house has concurred in fo honourable a manner to the establishment and support of the Germanic Constitution? It is not then at Paris that the infinuations of the Court of Ve na, in regard to the affairs of Germany, could be received, and though it has fince renewed them at Petersburgh, they could not meet with better succeis. The great and generous foul of the Emperor Alexander could not permit him to neglect the interests of Bavaria, which were recommended to him also by the ties of blood, and by every confideration of found policy. Having been unable to succeed, either at Petersburgh or Paris, the Court of Vienna nevertheless pursued at Munich the execution of its projects, and it was the communication of his uneafinels made by the Elector to the French and Russian Governments, which contributed above all to make them feel the necessity of uniting their influence to protect the hereditary Princes, secure the execution of the 7th article of the Treaty of Luneville, and not to fuffer to fall to the lowest rank one of the oldest, and not long ago

one of the most powerful, Houses of Germany. The underfigned, therefore, is charged to declare to the Deputation, that the States of his Serene Highness the Elector Palatine of Bavaria, as well as the possessions destined for him as indemnities, and as necessary for re establishing the equilibrium of Germany, are naturally and indiffeenfably placed under the protection of the Mediating Powers ; that the First Conful, personally, will not fuffer the important place of Passau to remain in the hands of Austria, nor allow it to obtain any part of the territories which Bavaria possesses on the right of the Inn ; for he confiders that there would be no independence for Bavaria, the moment when the troops of Austria should be near its capital. It remains to the underlighed to express to the Deputation the regret which the First Conful feels for divulging negociations which took place only under the feal of confidence, and the fecrecy of which ought confequently to have remained facred; but he has been constrained to it by just reprifals, and by the value which he attaches to the opinion and esteem of the brave and loyal German people.

(Signed) LAFORET.

Ratisbon, Sept. 13.

NOTE OF THE RUSSIAN MINISTER.

The underfigned Plenipotentiary of his Majelty the Emperor of all the Russias to the Germanic Diet, has feen a Note. dated the fame day, which was tranf. mitted to the Extraordinary Diet of the Empire, in the name of the French Republic, in confequence of the Rescript communicated by the Sub Delegate of Bohemia to the Deputation, in its fitting of the 24th of August, and communicated also to the underfigned on the 28th of the same month. At present he can only refer to the contents of his Note delivered to the Deputation next day, August 29, without dwelling on the facts which preceded and rendered necessary the concert between Russia and France. But he must again declare, that his Imperial Majesty has manifested the sentiments of jultice by which he is diftinguished, and the interest he takes in the happiness and equilibrium of the Germanic Empire, in the Declaration which he caused to be transmitted on the 18th of August lait, conjointly with the First Conful. His Imperial Majelty cannot then but expect a speedy accomplishment. He particularly considers the

Hereditary States of his Serene Highness the Elector Palatine of Bavaria, as well as the posselsions assigned to him as an indemnity, as indispensably placed under the protection of the Mediation; and has no doubt that the town of Passau will be immediately given up to its destination.

(Signed) BARON DE BUHLER. Ratisbon, Sept. 13.

RATISBON, SEPT. 28.

NOTE OF M. THE BARON DE HUGEL, PLENIPOTENTIARY OF HIS IMPE-RIAL MAJESTY, ADDRESSED, THE 26TH SEPT. 1802, TO C. LAFORET, MINISTER EXTRAORDINARY OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

"The declaration delivered at Ratifbon, in the name of the intervening Powers, contained an heavy and unmerited imputation upon the delays which attended the meeting of the Deputation of the Empire. His Majefly owed it to himfelf, as well as to the Germanic Empire, to prove by facts, that nothing had been neglected on his part to abridge these details. Far from wishing to inculpate any body, the faithful exposition of what is passing had only for its object to evince the purity of the conduct of the Emperor.

" Such is also the motive which obliges his Majesty to call to mind here other facts relative to anterior conferences which had taken place upon the Indemnity of Tufcany, for the purp fe of opposing them to affertions contained in the Note transmitted the 13th of this month to the Underfigned, by C. Laforet. Minister Extraordinary of the French Republic. His Majetty willingly fubmirs it to the judgment of all Europe, whether he can be charged with injustice or ambition, for having infilted upon the full and entire indemnity which the Treaty of Luneville affores to his august Brother. As to the means which he has employed to obtain the execution of fo formal a stipulation, far from entertaining a fear of exposing them in full day, he can only feel a defire for their publicity, inafmuch as all his efforts have had exclusively for their object to combine the first execution of the Peace of Luneville with the maintenance of the Germanic Constitution. Some indi ect infinuations made at Vienna, by a dillinguished person in the service of the Court of Munich, have given reason to think,

that the Elector Palatine himself wished to settle with the Grand Duke of Tuscany upon the exchanges for their mutual convenience; nobody then doubting but that the Indemnity of his Royal Highness would be such as the Treaty imported. In the supposition that the complement of the Indemnity of Tuscany could not be found, except in the ecclesiaftical properties of Suabia, it was in question to concentrate the respective possessions by an exchange of the part of Bavaria, in the neighbourhood of the Bithon of Salzburg.

"His Majelly, having nomotive to object to such an arrangement, did not shew himself disinclined to give effect to these overtures. Infinuations of the same kind took place at Paris at the time of the ratification of the Treaty of Luneville, and they went even so far as to put in doubt what had been said to the Austrian Plenipotentiary, whether the Elector would be able to preserve the City of Munich; but it never had been, nor could be, a question, in these different Conferences to carry so tar as the Lech the Indemnity of the Grand Duke of Tuscany.

"Upon what title could the Elector be deprived of the whole of Bayaria? Where could the means be found to indemnify him? and though his Majesty should have had views so foreign from his fentiments, how could be conceive the idea folely to engage the French Government to adopt them? He appeals, in this, to the testimony which he has himself furnished, to that of the Court of Munich, and to that of the Imperial Court of Russia, to which every thing was communicated upon this subject. All those who had a knowledge of the subject which was then in treaty, know that the only question was, that of the Ifer. with the addition of the proposition made by Austria to leave to the Elector a fuitable extent of country, for the purpose of removing the City of Munich from the frontier: and that this projet, which furely was not exaggerated in the fupposition of a full and entire indemnity for Tulcany, at the same time that his Palatine Highnels should have obtained in Suabia a complete equivalent of celfions, to which it would be willingly carried, was entirely abandoned by the Emperor the moment it was perceived that the Elector was not inclined to put his hand to it. Since that time the views of his Majetty for a supplementary portion to be given to his august Brother have been folely fixed upon Ecclesiafical

Properties and Free Cities fituate in the circle of Suabia. The plan of it has been drawn up in Paris, and afterwards proposed by his Imperial Majesty of Russia, who in his wisdom adopted it in full. In confining himself to this faithful flatement of every thing that passed upon the subject, he may dispense with noticing the inductions contained in the Note of Citizen Laforet. Never could the Emperor have entertained a thought of procuring for his august Brother any part whatfoever of Bavaria in any other manner than by an arrange. ment of mutual consent, to the perfect convenience of the Elector Palatine. His Majesty has already given, relative to the City of Passau, every assurance that could be expected from his justice and moderation. He is ready to furrender that city to the person who, by the legal and definitive arrangement of the Indemnities, shall be acknowledged its lawful owner. It is not until then, that the present posfessor shall cease to be so, and that his Majesty will be disengaged from the obligation which he has contracted, at the request of the Prince Bishop, to provide for his fafety until the decision of his fate. The Emperor would not willingly renounce the hope, that the moderate and equitable propolitions with which he has recently charged his Ambassador to the French Republic, shall put an end to all differences of opinion between him and the First Conful; but should it be otherwife, his august Brother, without having any pretentions to make to any part of Bavaria, which he never entertained an idea of acquiring, except by the way of exchange with mutual confent, will not the less retain the incontestable right, fecured to him by the Treaty of Luneville, to a full and entire indemnity in Tuscany; a right, of which the Empire and France have folemnly bound themfelves to put him in possession.

"The underlighted eagerly embraces this opportunity to repeat to C. Laforet, Minister Extraordinary of the French Republic, the assurance of his high consideration."

NOTE ADDRESSED THE SAME DAY FO THE MINISTER OF RUSSIA BY THE IMPERIAL PLENIPOTENTIARY.

"The underligned has not failed to make his august Master acquainted with the Note which M. the Baron de Buhler transinitted to him the 13th of September. He is charged to inform him, in answer, that the welfare of the Germanic Empire,

and the most prompt arrangement of what still remains to be regulated in consequence of the Treaty of Luneville, form equally the object of the most ardent wishes of his Imperial and Apostolic

Majesty and King.

" In claiming the accomplishment of what the Treaty of Luneville secures to the Grand Duke of Tuscany, as his Majefty cannot dispense with it, the means of conciliation which he has himself proposed in that respect, the moderation of his demands, notwithstanding the incontestable rights of his Royal Highness to a full and entire indemnity: every thing unites to prove, that it is not his Majelty's fault that the iffue of important affairs, which are at this moment treating of, should not be as prompt as all those interested in them might defire. The Emperor is convinced of the sentiments of equity entertained by his Imperial Majetty of all the Russias : he

relies with confidence upon his friendfhip : he cannot doubt but that august Sovereign appreciates, at once, both the justice of his demands, and the spirit of conciliation that directs his whole con-

" His Imperial Majesty shall be, no doubt, immediately informed of all the circumstances which have rendered necesfary the occupation of the City of Paffau by the Imperial troops. He will ac-knowledge in his wildom, that this occupation having taken place at the instance of him, who is still its lawful possessor, his Imperial, Royal, and Apoltolic Majesty, has satisfied every thing that could be required of him. in declaring, that this city should be delivered up, without any obstacle on his part, to the person to whom it should be legally adjudged by the definitive arrangement."

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

PARIS, SEPT. 16.

THE late excessive heats having nearly dried up one of the arms of the Saone, at Pontailler, several of the inhabitants of the neighbouring country went there to procure stones for building. They discovered several columns, fragments of beautiful marble, instruments of copper, and a figure of bronze, about ten inches in height, representing a woman coming out of the water with her hair wet. The figure is fin-gularly graceful. A Member of the Academy, Citizen Leschevin, hearing of the circumstance, immediately went to Pontailler, to examine the bed of the river. In addition to what had been already discovered, he found there feveral chirurgical instruments, a number of medals in bronze of Nerva, Vefpasian, Nero, Antonius, Domitian, &c. and several copper utensils.

A mine of amber, of the finest colour, has been discovered a few leagues from Laon, in the Department of l'Aifne, in France. The pieces which have hitherto been found do not present any vestige of plant or insect; several have been met with incrusted with sulphur of iron. Near the same place have also been found feveral blocks of wood, almost converted into charcoal, supposed to be parts of trees that have lain in the earth a confiderable time. Specimens of both have been presented to the Museum of Natural History at Paris.

Prince Charles of Helle, and Felix Lepellitier, are among the French patriots transported to the Seychelles.

Mr. Fox, and the party at Paris with him, assisted at the extraordinary Sitting which took place at the Tribunate on the 16th. A few minutes before the opening of the Sitting, Citizen Boyer, Captain of the Guard to the Tribunate, advanced to Mr. Fox, who was in one of the adjoining rooms, and addressed him in the following terms: "I am one, Sir, of two hundred French Officers, who, in the year three, were prisoners at Portchester. We applied to you; you had the generofity to exert your eloquence in our favour. On a fudden our chains were broken, and we were almost free. This benefit will never be forgotten by my companions in misfortune : but I am at present happier than they are, because I am able to declare to you publickly my gratitude. I intreat you to add to it, if it be possible, by condescending to accept my weak, but sincere, expression of it.". Mr. Fox appeared to be much affected by this act of gratitude. He seplied, with a

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motion expressive of modesty-" Oh !

Sir-yes-I recollect.'

On the 27th ult. the Union of Piedmont with France was celebrated at Turin in a folendid manner, after the celebration of a folemn mass in the cathedral of Turin, by the Archbilhop of that city. Over the principal entrance of the cathedral were two figures of Fame proclaiming these words-" The Union of Piedmont with the French Republic" -" Glory to the Eternal Being." On one of the fide gates was written -" Toleration," and on the other
-" Concord."-After the ceremony, a variety of military evolutions were performed: to which succeeded dancing in the National Gardens from two in the afternoon till midnight.

In pursuance of a plan of the First Consul to establish camps in the vicinity of the Piedmontese territory, the following curious orders to that effect

have just been published :

The Minister of War to the General having the present Command of the First Military

Division.

"The Government is defirous to give a substantial testimony of the national gratitude to those soldiers who have been maimed or otherwise wounded in the war, for the support of its liberties; and has therefore come to a resolution to form five camps of veterans, each to confift of 400 men, in the departments of the Po. Marengo, La Doira, La Sezia, and Tanaro, forming the twenty-feventh military division; as also five other camps, each to contain 300 men, in the four departments of Mont Tonnere, the Rhine and Mofelle, the Sarre and Roer. To each individual of the soldiers in these camps will be assigned an extent of land, of which the produce shall be equal to the present national allowance for his support. He shall, besides, continue to enjoy his present pay. Of this, one month's pay shall be given in advance, to enable the foldier to purchase furniture and other necessaries for his new establishment. All soldiers who have obtained the benefits appropriated to invalids, all who have been maimed or feverely wounded in the war, are competent to receive these recompences, if, under forty years of age, and unmarried, they are disposed to marry women, natives of the departments in which the lands are fituated to be allotted.

A new Nociurlab, or fmall pocket

instrument, to ascertain the hour by the stars, has been invented in France

by M. I. Berard.

Paris, O.A. 2.—On receipt of the intelligence of the present disturbances in Switzerland, the First Consul issued the following Proclamation:
BORAFARTE, First Consul of the French

Republic, President of the Italian Republic, to the Eighteen Cantons of the

HELVETIC REPUBLIC.

St. Cloud, Sept. 30.

You have afforded, for two years, an afflicting spectacle. Opposite factions have successively taken possession of the sovereign authority: they have signalized their temporary empire by a system of partiality which proved their weakness and want of ability.

In the course of the year 1801-2, your Government desired that the small number of French troops in Helvetia should be withdrawn. The French Government willingly availed themselves of that opportunity to honour your independence; but soon afterwards your different parties began to be agitated by fresh sury; the blood of the Swiss was shed by the hands of Swiss.

You have been disputing for three years, without coming to any understanding; if you are left longer to yourselves, you will be killing each other for three years more, without coming to a better understanding. Your history besides proves, that your intestine wars could never be terminated but by the efficacious intervention of France.

It is true that I had determined not to interfere at all in your affairs; I had constantly seen your different Governments ask advice of me, and not follow it, and sometimes abuse my name, according to their interests and

their passions.

But I neither can nor ought to remain intenfible to the miferies of which you are the victims; I recall my determination—I will be the mediator of your differences, but my mediation shall be efficacious, such as besits the great people in whose name I speak.

Five days after the notification of the present Proclamation, the Senate shall assemble at Berne.—Every Magistracy that shall have been formed at Berne since the capitulation, shall be dissolved, and shall cease meeting

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and exercifing any authority.-The Prefects shall repair to their posts. All the Authorities which may have been formed shall cease meeting .- Armed assemblages shall disperse.-The first fecond Helvetic demi-brigades fhall compose the garrison of Berne.

The troops who have been on service for upwards of fix months shall alone remain in corps of troops .- Finally, all individuals disbanded from the Belligerent Armies, and who are now in arms, shall deposit their arms at the Municipality of the Commune where they were born .- The Senate shall fend three Deputies to Paris: each Canton may also fend Deputies.

All Citizens who, for the last three years, have been Landamman Senators, and have successively occupied places in the Central Authority, may repair to Paris, to make known the means of reftoring union and tranquillity.

and conciliating all parties.

On my part, I have a right to expect that no City, no Commune, no corps, will do any thing contrary to the dispositions which I make known to you.

Inhabitants of Helvetia, let your hopes revive.—Your country is on the brink of a precipice; it shall be immediately drawn from it; all men of good intentions will second this generous

plan.

But if, which I cannot believe, there be among you a great number of individuals who have so little virtue as not to facrifice their passions and their prejudices to the love of the country; People of Helvetia, you will have indeed degenerated from your fore-fathers!

There is no fensible man who does not fee that the mediation which I take upon myfelf is a benefit to Helvetia from that Providence which, in the midst of fo many shocks and convulsions, has always watched over the existence and independence of your nation, and that this mediation is the

only means of faving both.

For indeed it is time you should see, that if the patriotism and union of your ancestors founded your Republic, the bad spirit of your factions, if it continue, will infallibly destroy it; painful would it be to think, that at a period when several new Republics have arisen, destiny had marked out the fall and termination of one of the most ancient.

(Signed) BONAPARTE.

Oct. 8. An attempt was made on the 6th inftant to blow up the theatre at Lyons—part of one fide wall was thrown down but no one hurt.

Letters from Paris, of the 16th inft. mention that great diffatisfaction prevails in the most respectable of the private circles in the capital, at the conduct of Bonaparte to the Swifs.

On the 16th, the Corn Hall at Paris caught fire, and was totally destroyed, together with a part of the corn it contained. The accident is attributed to the negligence of some plumbers.

21. A dispatch has been received by the Minister of Marine from Admiral Lacroffe, dated on the rith ult, at Baffeterre, announcing the death of General Richepanse on the 3d, after an illness of fixteen days. The Admiral states, that his death caused the most lively fensations of regret throughout the island, and his funeral was accompanied with every ceremon* that could add folemnity to the spectacle. He was buried under the ruins of the grand battion, the attack of which he had a few months before directed. A monument has been erected to his memory. The Admiral then reverts to the present situation of the Colony, which is in a state of increasing prosperity. The remainder of the rebels, who, on their defeat, reforted to the woods, amounts only to a few hundreds, and not above half of them armed, In order to fubdue them completely, he has caused their retreats to be furrounded, and has formed fnares to surprise them, which was the fyttem purfued by Gen. Richepanfe. From the concluding part of the Admiral's letter, it appears that the yellow fever has this year ravaged Guadaloupe; and although it is now abating, yet the flate of convalescence is tedious and painful. The French foldiers, in chaling the Maroons, abandon themselves to their impetuolity, they become exhausted, and the consequence is difease and death.

This letter is followed by another from Gen. Gobert, who gives an awful account of the impenetrable woods which conceal the Brigands. The mornes on which they rife are steep, and form peaks above a number of rivers, and streams that traverse them in every direction—and as soon as the army advances towards them, they disappear

disappear with the rapidity of lightning. To escape, they throw themselves down the steepest precipices; they then follow the current of the water through the rocks, so that their traces cannot be discovered, and ab-solutely become invisible. Towards the end of July a body of Negroes was attacked near the woods of Goyave, and being defeated, about 700, the whole that remained, retreated to the mountains. A proclamation of amnefty was published, which induced 600 of these Brigands to return, but the remainder, having retired to the woods of Capesterre, refused to submit; they were therefore attacked on the 3d of August, and dispersed, when they collected in an old camp of the Mandigoes, which had existed for many years, and their retreat could never after be discovered.

SCHAFFHAUSEN, Sept. 23 .- Our refolution is taken. We join ourselves to the five Democratic Cantons, and fend Deputies to Schwitz. Zurich has done the fame. A Committee has been named of twelve Members, fix from the town and fix from the country, to establish a Provisional Government.

pletely defeated.

The Infurgents have been every where successful: they have compelled the City of Berne to enter into a capitulation; and the Government, together with the Helvetic military force, have been compelled to retire to Laufanne.-This event, however, did not take place without a strong refistance on the part of the Government troops; a desperate engagement was fought under the walls of the City, the refult of which was, that the constituted authorities were com-

The Convention for the evacuation of Berne confifts of eleven articles, the purport of which is, that there shall be an armiftice for 24 hours, during which time the Helvetic troops are to retire from the city; the Leaders of the Infurgent troops undertaking to furnish the Members of the Government with the means of a fafe conveyance; they were also to carry with them 20 pieces of artillery, and a fufficient quantity of ammunition, together with the records, papers, and every article belonging to the offices of State.

The partizans of the new revolutionists flatter themselves that the an-

cient Swifs Constitution will speedily be re-established, and that the French Government will be too wife to force, by its authoritative interference, such regulations upon them, as they cannot view with fatisfaction, and to which they have given ferious proofs that they will not submit with tameness or fervility. It is however reported, that 12,000 French troops are on the point of entering Switzerland; -hence we cannot reflect without horror on the fanguinary fcenes which will again be acted in that unfortunate country.

This unexpected revolution was effected by the army under the command of Baron D'Erlach; it is composed of Swiss emigrants, of deferters from the constituted force, and of Officers and men who had ferved in Holland and France previous to the revolution. This revolutionary army is supposed to be 30,000 ftrong. When the accounts came away, the whole of the peafantry in the Pays de Vaud had taken up arms, but it was not known which party they intended to sup-

General Andermatt is proceeding by forced marches towards Laufanne; he is purfued by Aloys Reding, and it is only by one favourable article in the Convention of Berne that they are

preserved from destruction.

LAUSANNE, Sept. 29 .- The Bernefe have been forced to abandon the fiege of Friburgh: the infurgents have been checked in the valley between the Lake of Morat and that of Neufchatel: forty prisoners were taken, and twelve men killed.—The head-quarters of the Helvetic army have been re established at Morat, a post that was abandoned the moment the cannonading of Friburgh was heard. The Administrative Chamber of Friburgh had refused to place their treasure at the disposal of the Helvetic Government; orders were therefore given to proceed to the opening of the cheft. The Chiefs of the infurgents, who call themselves Generals in Chief of the troops of the Swiss Cantons, sent on the 26th, a fummons to all the Members of the Government; they fay, that the whole of German Switzerland has declared for them, and that the peafants, crowding from all parts to their stand. ard, have proclaimed the ancient Constitutions of the Canton .- The following Convention was figued Beine, on the 25th of September, between the Democratic Cantons, and the Canton of Berne.

" The Congress of Deputies affembled at Schwitz, Underwalden, Glaris, Appenzel, and the Grifons; who have constituted themselves, and the Canton of Berne, which has joined them, have bound themselves in the closest manner, in order to pursue, with arms in their hands, the foi-difant Helvetic Government at Lausanne, to force it to dissolve itself, or to quit Switzerland. They admit into their Confederacy all the Cantons which shall constitute themselves, and be of the same sentiments; they folemnly declare, that they will not interfere in any manner whatever in the internal regime of the Cantons, and that each of them shall have the liberty of giving to itself such a Constitution as it shall deem to be conformable to the wants and wishes of the people; they engage to furnish the contingent of the troops which the general interest shall require. All the troops shall be under the orders of General Bachman, which shall act in concert with the Council of War of the Confederacy.

LAUSANNE, O.A. 6.—The City of Friburgh furrendered the day before yesterday to the Confederate Swiss. The Chief of Brigade Clavel, Commander of Friburgh, was positively assured that Lausanne was in the power of the Confederates, and that the Government had passed into Savoy.—The battalion of Militia of Citizen Bourgeois, which was also at Friburgh, has been disarmed, and sent to the Pays de Vand.

Oct. 7.—Yesterday morning the new Suspension of Arms was concluded. This morning General Von-der-Weidt returned to Montpreveyre, where the Ratisfications were exchanged.—By this Convention, hostilities are not to recommence till 24 hours after the return of General Rapp to Lausanne.—The Suspension of Arms is general, and those who on either side shall continue refractory to their Chief, are to be reduced by detachments from both armies.

O.B. 8.—General Rapp, informed of thetaking of the City of Friburgh after the General in Chief of the Confederates had promifed him not to commit any hostility, has fignified to General Bachman, that if, in 24 hours, Friburgh was not delivered to the Hel-

vetic troops, he would quit the country, and force respect to the proclamation of Bonaparte, by the entrance of a French Army.-Notwithstanding the declaration of the equality of political rights, and the independence of the Cantons, proposed by the Committee of State established at Berne, Argovio and Oberland are declared by the faid Committee united to the Canton of Berne. -The 27th September was a day of great rejoicing at Schwitz, on account of the opening of the Diet. It was composed of Deputies from all the Cantons, except Friburgh and Leman. -Aloys Reding made a speech upon the occasion, and was appointed Pre-

Basle, Od. 9 .- The Members of the Diet assembled at Schwitz, have agreed on the plan of a Constitution, which they have addressed to the different Cantons. The following are its principal points:-" Switzerland forms one Federal Republic under the denomination of the Helvetic Confederation .- Each Canton to govern itself according to its own will, and to exercise in its own territory all the rights of fovereignty which it exercifed under the ancient regime .- The towns shall not enjoy any prerogative over the country; both to participate in the Administration of Justice, of the Police, and in the internal Government of the Canton .- The Government of one Canton cannot publish ordinances prejudicial to another Canton .- The Government of each Canton to name a Deputy to the Helvetic Diet. The Deputies remain in office until their Constituents think proper to recall them. They are indemnified by the Canton .- The Diet is permanent; it deliberates on war and peace, and on the conclusion of fuch treaties of alliance and commerce, as the general interest of the confederation may call for. It is authorised to repeal and annul the ordinances of the Cantonal Governments, which are prejudicial to the Helvetic Confederation, or to any of its Cantons. - Every Deputy, Member of the Diet, is obliged to conduct himself upon the discussion of an important object, particularly of treaties of peace, commerce, and alliance, according to the instructions of his Connituents. - The Diet chooses, from among its Members, a President and a Secretary, who continue in their functions for three months, and are always

re-eligible.—All the Swifs are foldiers. None can exercife the rights of Citizenship, nor be received into the Corporation of Artists and Tradesmen, nor exercise a profession, nor marry, unless he has a musket, a sword, and a pouch. The Government supplies the poor with arms. The expences of war are charged upon all the Cantons in proportion to their respective means.

BERNE, Oct. 8.—The answer of the Diet of Schwitz to the proclamation of the First Consul is not yet known.—The Diet hastens the levy of troops. A great number of detachments have arrived at Zurich and Soleure.

The foi difant Helvetic Government (the French interest) have published a Proclamation to the Sivis People, couched in the most servile language. It states, that in consequence of contending factions, it had continued to press the First Consul for his kind intervention; and adds, that by the intervention of Divine Providence, he has taken upon himself the mediation which has been offered to him. The Proclamation concludes with the following remarkable apostrophe :- "May all parties be filent, and hear Bonaparte! May the weapons fall from every hand! May every heart be opened to fentiments of fraternity and concord! Surely, people of Helvetia, you never have been fo near happiness; but if you are deaf to the voice of Bonaparte, you will never have been fo near destruction !

The French General Ney is faid to have received orders to repair with his division from Nancy immediately to the frontiers of Switzerland, where he is to take the command of the French force defined to act against that unsortunate country. It is added, that the General has already proceeded with two Aids-de-Camp to Huninguen; and that ten battalions of infantry and fix squadrons of cavalry, from the vicinity of Menta, have like wise been ordered to march to Switzenia.

zerland.

The house of Hope, at Amsterdam, is reported to have granted a loan of 13,000,000l. to Portugal, on a pledge of diamonds.

A shock of an earthquake was felt at Naples about the middle of September; it was preceded by a thick smoke from Mount Vesuvius.

A Danish merchant, named Nil Brock,

died lately, leaving a property of feweral tons of gold (a ton of gold is 100,000 dollars). It is reported, that he has bequeathed to the town of Randers, in Jutland, where he was born, the fum of 100,000 dollars, for the constructing a harbour there.

The Swedish merchants have had a gold medal, of the fixteenth size, prepared as a compliment to Mr. Grey, M. P. for his defence of the rights of neutral nations, during the last Session

of the British Parliament.

VIENNA, Sept. 11.—The capitulation made between the Porte and Passwan Oglou has been signed. The Pacha has obtained a complete amnesty for all past offences; and has been assured by his Government of payment of the arrears due to his troops. Passwan engages to remain perfectly obedient, and to dishand his troops on their receiving the money due to them. The Grand Signior has confirmed him in the Government of Widden, and raised him to the dignity of a Pacha of Three Tails.

Passwan Oglou has received an order from the Porte to reduce the rebellious

Janissaries to submission.

Letters from Stutgard, of the 30th ult. state, that by a late fire at the theatre of that place, all the wardrobe of the performers became a prey to the stames. The Dutchess gave part of her own wardrobe to enable the Actors to continue their performance. Her Royal Highness is said to be almost adored by the States of Wirtemburgh, for her liberal, humane, and condescending behaviour.

It is faid, that a body of Austrian troops will be formed in the Tyrol and the Voralberg, to co-operate in the re-establishment of tranquillity in Switzerland, if circumstances require it.

Several important changes have just taken place in the Ministry of Russia: Count A. Woronzow, a brother of the Russian Ambassador at London, has been appointed Grand Chancellor, and principal Director of Foreign Assais; Count Kotschubey, who before was in the preceding department, has been made Minister of the Interior; and Count Wassilest, Finance Minister. The Prince of Czartorinsky takes the place of Count Kotschubey in the Foreign Department. Prince Kurakin, in consequence of his repeated requests, has received of his Imperial Majesty his dismission from that department.

The

The Emperor Alexander has ordered. that the loss sustained by British subjects, through the embargo laid on their thips by the Emperor Paul, thall be made good According to the determination of the Commission of Liquidation, the whole fum amounts

to 700,000 rubles. The following fingular circumstance has been the subject of much alarm at Petersburgh, and has been deemed of fufficient consequence to be inserted in the Guzette of that city :- " An Officer, who was walking in the Emperor's garden, was wounded by a mufquet-ball. It was immediately rumoured, that the ball was not intended for him, but for another person. Inquiries were fet on foot, and the affair foon affumed another afpect. It was found, that the event related to an imaginary conspiracy, the only object of which was to obtain a large tum of money. The Officer who was wounded, it was added, in order to give an air of probability to the affair, fired a pistol at his own arm, and lodged a ball in it. The Government, however, is now occupied in investigating the affair."

The unfortunate Royal Family of France, it is now determined are to refide at Warfaw. The Russian Court has granted them an allowance of 700,000 rubles annually, and has offered them a confiderable extent of territory in Lithuania, the revenue of which is 30,000 rubles: this, however, was only on condition of their reliding on the territory, which they have refuted.

A Russian Prince has been arrested at Leipfig, on fuspicion of having forged bills on Ruffia .- He has been conveyed to Petersburgh under a strong guard.

A ftorm more violent than was ever remembered in that city, was experienced at Petersburgh and in the adia cent country on the 25th and 20th of August Many sheep were killed in the adjoining country by the violence of the kail.

Doctor Oreus, of Petersburgh, has obtained the countenance and approbation of the Emperor for manufacturing bread by a new process from the Lichen Mandicus, which will be a valuable resource to the natives of the North in times of fcarcity.

Mr. Falcon, the British Conful at Algiers, has fignified to all the Confuls of his Court in the Mediterranean, that the Dev has expressed his resolution to order his cruizers to feize all British merchant thins having Admiralty paffes

of the prefent form.

A letter from Malaga, dated August 28, fays, "On the 26th, there was the most dreadful storm of thunder and lightning ever experienced here. The torrents of rain from the mountains were fo great, that they carried every thing before them. There is an old bed of a river near the town, which has been long dry, and on which many houses, stables, &c. have been built. All these, with four women, several children, fixteen men, thirteen mules, thirty-eight fwine, and ten waggons, were forced into the fea. The bridge in the town was broken, and the thips

in port driven out. Accounts from Gibraltar, of the 23d ult. mention the occurrence of a dreadful storm of thunder and lightning, which did great damage to the British fquadron lying in the Bay. The accidents were the more numerous, as none of the ships were provided with metallic conductors .- The Gib altar was first struck by a tremendous flash on the fore top-gallant mast head; it fplit the fore-top-matt, and thivered the top mast to pieces, propelling vast splinters in every direction; it then passed into the light-room, close to the magazine, breaking the whole of the ftrong plate glass, and thence to the gunner's flore-room, where it completely destroyed several boxes of grape fhot. Two men only were injured by the stroke. Shortly afterwards the Active was struck by another flash, which split the top-garlantmast, and in a singular manner carried away part of the main-top maft, feveral feet of which completely disappeared. The main mast was also split; and the thip's butcher, who was standing on deck with his cleaver in his hand, was struck dead, and almost every person on deck was forced down by the thock. - The Superb and Diagon were also Aruck; the former was much injured.

Captain John M'Kellar, of the Terpfichore, was, on the 29th of May, tried by a Court Martial at Madras, for tyranny and oppression, and dismissed

his Majesty's ser ice.

Peace has at length been re established between the Emperor of Morocco and America. The news has been announced to Mr. Skipwith, Commercial

Commercial Agent at Paris, by Mr. Simuson, Consul of the United States at Tangiers.

The American States have paid 2,059,320 dollars to the Barbary Powers

fince 1791.

The new Treaty between the United States and the Creek Indians was received at Washington on the 6th Sep-

The Spanish Government in North America, unable to make efficient opposition to the predatory warfare of Bowles and his Indian followers, is negociating a Treaty of Peace with

It is estimated that 30,000 of the inhabitants of Philadelphia have retired from that city in confequence of the yellow fever. Commerce has been nearly suspended by it; and the merchants, and in fact all description of traders, have been involved in great embarrassment. The Cuitom-house is thut up, and the business of that office is transacted in the chamber formerly occupied by the Senate of the United States during the prevalence of the fever there.

The malignant fever is on the decline at New York and Philadelphia, but has made its appearance at Wash-

ington and other places.

Accounts from St. Domingo of the 2d of August state, that the Blacks had rifen in Tortuga, a small island near Cape François, and had maffacred every White inhabitant on the Island.

Accounts from the West Indies state, that the crops have been fo very abundant as to lower the price of fugar and rum confiderably in all the islands, and sufficient shipping could not be procured to export them. - Price of rum in some islands is only

28. id. of our currency.

The New York Paper, of the 12th August, contains a notice from the poor-house of Newcastle, Delaware, figned by the Governor; which states, that a maniac, who had been admitted there, had not taken any kind of nourishment between the 27th July and the 6th August, a term of ten days, notwithstanding which he continued alive

and in apparent health!

A large naval force belonging to the Continental Powers is collecting in the Mediterranean; two Dutch ships of the line, two frigates, and a floop, had passed a short time before the accounts came away. The French are making preparations to garrifon and fortify two harbours belonging to the Algerines.

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE.

SEPTEMBER 19. A FIRE broke out in the premises of Mr. Cooper, near the Patent Shot Manufactory, Lambeth, which confumed the whole of the buildings, befides damaging the cooperage and the lead melter's adjoining. Nine horses out of eleven, kept by Mr. Cooper, were burnt to beath; one man, endeavouring to draw them from the stable, was so dreadfully bruised by the roof falling in upon him, that he is not expected to live; five others were also mained at the same time; and two children were crushed nearly to death by the engines coming unexpeciedly upon them.

City Improvements .- The Gazette of Sept. 24 contained a Notice from the Corporation of London of their intention to apply to Parliament for five Acts .- The first, to remove Bethlem Hospital; and on its fite to build a new square, with two new streets, the one leading into Throgmortonffreet and the Royal Exchange, and the other from Moorgate to Mansion-House-street, and to widen, improve, &c. the intermediate lanes, &c .- The second, for taking down Lendon Bridge, and rebuilding another bridge across the Thames instead of it .- The third, for enlarging Smithfield Market, and for the better regulation of it .- The fourth, for enlarging and amending the powers in the Act for improving the Port of London. - And the fifth, for establishing a free market for the fale of Coals in the Wards of Billingsgate and Tower, or one of them, and to prevent imposition in the sale of this article.

Last week a large copper table, weighing twenty tons, was cast at Berfham iron works, for the Ravenhead Glass Company. The metal was melted

in five furnaces, each containing four tons: the building was fecured from the immense heat of the calting by a wrought iron umbrella. A carriage with eight wheels has been constructed to convey it to the place of its defination.

27. In the morning, a fire broke out in a large store-house, in Store-street, Bedford-square, belonging to Messirs. Combe and Co. brewers, by which the greater part of the building was destroyed. A large quantity of porter was in the store-house at the time the fire broke out, and was used to supply the engines for an hour, till water could be procured.

Same night, about eleven o'clock, a fire broke out at the new Assembly-room behind Russell-square, which was entirely consumed. The fire is attri-

buted to an incendiary.

27. At Stirbitch fair, a full audience was collected, to witness the representation of A Bold Stroke for a Wife by an itinerant company. At eight o'clock an alarm of "Fire" was given by fome person in the gallery. The play was stopped, and a consternation ensued. A woman, in excess of fear, threw herfelf from the gallery into the pit. company rushed instantly towards the door; some were crushed to death by the pressure, and more were either killed or wounded feverely by being trampled upon. The accounts state the deaths to be fix or feven, and the number of the bruifed and wounded to exceed thirty! The author of this alarm, for which there was not the smallest foundation, is yet undiscovered. The Magistrates have offered 100l. for his apprehension.

28. A shocking murder was committed at Mortlake :- A man named Stillwell, who keeps a public-house in that village, rose at five o'clock; and having some words with his wife, to. wards whom he had always manifested great conjugal affection, was fo hurried away by palfion, that, fetching a horfepiftol, loaded with eight flugs, he prefented it at her, and pulled the trigger! The flint being worn out, the dif. charge was prevented; when, with a vengeance truly diabolical, he rushed upon the woman, and with the butend of the pistol beat her on the head till her brains were scattered about the room .- He is committed for trial.

Oct. 3. A few days fince, as Lord Gage was going down Glynde Reach (a branch of the Ouse), in a boat, with his son and several young Gentlemen, Master Gage, by some accident, sell overboard; when the Noble Lord instantly plunged into the water, and rescued his son, by bearing him in signs of the the there.

in safety to the shore.

6. The formal Prorogation of Parliament took place in the House of Lords. The Lord Chancellor, and Lords Hobart and Carleton, attended. The Commons appearing in the usual manner at the Bar, the Proclamation was read, and the Lord Chancellor declared, that the Parliament was further prorogued until the 16th day of November; and then to meet for the dispatch of business.

At a Meeting of the Magistrates of the Tower Hamlets, the Rev. Mr. Robson, of Whitechapel, in a long speech, opposed the renewal of the annual licence of the Royalty Theatre. After a patient hearing by the Magistrates, amounting to 29, the result was, that 22 of the number were against the renewal.—It is probably closed for

ever.

7. Several persons were separately examined at Hatton Garden, for assaulting and wounding T. Pamphlin, a clerk to Mr. Gordon, distiller, in Goswell street, who is since dead of the wounds he received; and also for committing a similar outrage on a Mr. J. Shiffnall. They have been committed for trial.

In the afternoon a fire broke out at a timber-yard, near the Gaol, in Reading, and, communicating to some stacks of corn, reduced them to ashes.—The wind fortunately was from the South-west; or, from the violence of the sames, it is probable that the greater part of the town would have been destroyed. The loss is very considerable, and the property, for the greater part, uninfured.

no. Mr. Whitehead, the owner of a lime kiln at Wigmore, which had been burning a few days, inadvertently attempted to walk across the top of the pit; when the chalk giving way beneath, he funk down, and in a very thort space was literally burnt to a skeleton; his wife who had accompanied him, ran and alarmed a neighbouring congregation, but too late to afford him any affistance.

The fon of a taylor at Framlingham, in Suffolk, died there fome days fince; he was eight years old, only 28 inches

S f 2 high,

high, and weighed no more than 2812

pounds.

17. As Lady E. Bentinck was returning from Penshurst on horseback, with a party, her horse stumbled; in consequence of which accident, her right thigh was broken at a small distance from the knee. She was conveyed to the house of her father, Richard Cumberland, Esq. at Tunbridge Wells, and is now in a favourable state.

13. Mr. Pitt's late refidence and estate at Holwood, was fold at Garraway's, by Messrs. Skinner and Dyke, and was knocked down at 15.000l.; but as 36,000l. was the sum originally demanded, it is supposed that the estate

may have been bought in.

An Impostor, who personated Col. Hope, M. P. and duped many people at Keswick, in Cumberland, has absconded. He contrived to marry a young woman, called the Beauty of Butternere, and lived some time on her friends, till he was detected by Mr. Hardinge, the Welch Judge, who issued a warrant for his apprehension.

15. In the morning two Dover boats discovered a dead whale floating down the Channel, mid-way between Dover and Calais, and towed it on shore near Shakespeare's Cliff. It is a feet long, and between 50 and 60 in girth. The tail, from one fork to

the other measures 20 feet.

16. About five o'clock in the evening, a man genteelly dreffed went into Mr. Maryan's (filversmith's), in Lombard-treet, drew a pillol from his pocket, and demanded money; which Mr. M. hefitating at. he fired, and the contents grazed his hair. He then attempted to escape; being closely pursued, he endeavoured to shoot himself; the pittol missing fire, he drew out a classknife to defend himself, but was secured and lodged in the Compter. From Saturday night to Tuesday noon he obstinately refused to take any fustenance, and still persists in concealing his name, alleging that his brother is a reputable merchant in the city, but should never know his present difgrace.

There is now a hog at the Salisbury Arms, Hertford, which was bred by Alderman Curtis, at South End; the exact weight of which is 960lb. or 120 ftone. It is of the Leicestershire breed, and supposed to be the largest in the

kingdom.

The largest ox ever bred in this kingdom is now at Berwick-on-Tweed; his weight is 320 stone, 14lb. to the stone; he measures four feet across the shoulders, and his back is ascended by means of a ladder. He was bred by John Spottiswood, Esq. near Dunse (and of Sackville street, London), who sold him lately for 200 guineas.

Lord Mulgrave has been humanely and patriotically employed in giving premiums to his tenants and poor neighbours, for their improvement in agriculture, for industry and general good condust. To some, pieces of plate were given; to others, cows, pigs, &c. proportioning the premiums to the condition and the merit of the

candidates.

The old chapel on the Cliff at Reculver, in Kent, was in part washed down by a late swelling of the tide, and the church, with the adjoining buildings, which form a beacon to mariners on the coast, is considered to be in danger.

18. A General Court Martial was affembled at the Royal Marine Barracks, Chatham, on the 10th inft. and continued by adjournments to this day, to try Captain H. Lee, of that come, on the undermentioned charges, exhibited against him by First Lieutenant Hand:—1st, For ungentlemanlike condust to Lieutenant Hand—2d, For being drunk on the Dock Guard, on the night of the 12th of August last.—The Court were of opinion, that the charges were unfounded, vexations, and groundless; and that the profecutor's condust was deserving of the highest censure.

19. Mansion House. - An information was heard, which had been laid against Mr. Hatfield, a grocer, near Shoreditch, for felling an ounce of refined liquorice without the flamp required by the late Act .- The Solicitor to the Commissioners of the Stamps state.1. that it was the opinion of his employers, that the article in question did not come within the meaning of the Act, in the manner it was fold by grocers and confectioners; it not being advertised as a nostrum or specific for any difeafe. This was not the cafe with Tolu Lozenges, which, though equally simple, were originally a patent medicine. The Lord Mayor was about to give his opinion to that effect, when an error being discovered in the indictment, dictment, the profecution fell to the

ground.

Guildhall .- A case of some im-21. portance to Bookfellers was heard before Sir W. Staines. An information was exhibited against Mr. Holmes, a Bookfeller, at the Royal Exchange, for publishing a book called " The Wonderful Adventures of Baron Munchausen," the book not having the Printer's name to it, as directed by act of Parliament. The information was laid by one of those pests to society, a Common Informer. The book was proved to have been purchased at the thop of the defendant by J. Collinson, on the 24th of September. On the cross-examination of the witness by the defendant's Counsel, it appeared, that he was employed at the rate of 53. per day, for the fole purpose of purchafing these books, and that he had procured 13 of them at different Bookfellers. It was contended, that the defendant must be acquitted, as the law on which this information was founded, did not mean to enact that persons printing and publishing books which were not of a feditious or irreligious nature, and which happen not to have the Printers name, should be liable to the penalties therein imposed; and further, that the book in question

might be confidered in a moral point of view, as it was written for the purpose of exhibiting in the most odious light the practice of lying. Sir W. Staines faid, he was fully convinced that the act was intended for the funpression of sedition and insidelity, and was not meant to apply to harmless publications. The indictment confequently fell to the ground, and the informer received a levere reprimand.

22. Westminster Sessions .- W. Putney, foreman of Mrs. Bridges, a chimneyfweeper in Swallow-freet, was indicted for affaulting and ill-treating a child, the fon of --- Kavanagh, an infant under eight years old. The prisoner having lately beaten the child unmercifully, some semale neighbours, at-tracted by his cries, rathed into the house, seized the object of their pity, and carried him to the Work house. The treatment which this infant had experienced, was thocking in the cx-treme. Befides compelling him to go up chimnies by goading him with flicks having pins at the end, Mrs. B. who was ill in bed, used to have him brought frequently to her bed fide, for the purpole of colligation. The Prifoner was found guilty, and fentenced to fix months imprifoument.

MARRIAGES.

SIR R. WILLIAMES VAUGHAN, bart. M. P. to Mils Anna Maria Moy-

Lieutenant-Colonel William Johnston

to Mil's Sufan De Lancey.

The Hon, Charles Murray to Mils

Captain Robert Mends, of his Majelly's navy, to Miss Butler, of Bagshot Lodge.

Captain Whitby, of the reyal navy, to Ail's Symonds.

Benjamin Holloway, efq. of Lee Place, to Mils Roberts, daughter of Major-General Roberts.

Captain Croffer to Miss Hannah Pearfon, fecond daughter of Sir Richard Pear-

John Difney, of the Inner Temple, elq. to Mils Sophia Difucy Frytche.

Captain Stephen Poyntz, of the royal navy, to Miss F. Brace, of Rambledon,

MONTHLY OBITUARY.

AUGUST 24. THE Rev. Charles Smith, rector of South Kipps, Norfelk.

SEPT- 6. Mr. James Balire, engraver, in his 73d year.

Lately, at Kentish Town, Mrs. Greville, formerly of Drury lane Theatre, where the appeared the first time in the Lish Widow, 1st November 1773.

14. In his 69th year, the Rev. John Hepworth,

Hepworth, A. M. He was born at Hepworth, near Huddersfield educated at Wakefield from whence he was removed to Bennet College, Cambridge

At Marlborough, Mr James Ge uge Russell. many years a bookseller

in London

The Rev. Edward Estcourt, 37-LL D. in his 52d year.

18 At Ball, Granado Pigott, efq.

F. R. S. and A. S S.

Thomas Maitland, elg. of Maitlandfield, aged 83

20. Mr. Thomas Askham, of Thurlstone, near Penystone Lancathire.

At Carlifle, William Chisholm, of Chisholm, elq.

21. Mr Alexander Angus, bookfel-

ler. Aberdeen, in his 82tl year.

22. Mr. Hunt, apothecary and furgeon, of Burford, Oxfordshire.

24. At Bath, Mr. Gill Slater, late of

Liverpool.

John Rixon, esq. of Great Hermitage-Areet.

Simon Frazer, of Boblainy, efq.

25. W. Tooke, efq. of Thompson, near Watton, Norfolk, and of the Middle Temple, London, in his 83d year.

At Chertfey, in Surrey, Charles Pem-

broke, efq. aged 45.

At Bambio' Grange, near Doncaster,

James Farrer, elq.

26. At Kenfington, Frederick Dingley, youngest ion of the late Rev. Robert Henry Dingley, of Beaumont Common, Effex.

Mr. Laborde de Mereville, of Paris. Lately, W. Van Hemert Burt, of Portman-street, efq.

28. Mr. John Langdon, of the Excise

At Ripon, in his 46th year, William Harrison, M. D.

Mr. Hay Donaldson, town-clerk of

Hadington.

Mr. J. Rodwell, farmer, at Livermere. 29. Mr. Joseph Smith, of the Wool-pack Inn, St. Alban's.

At Glasgow, Captain James Fairful, late of the 49th regiment of foot.

30. George Law, esq. of Brathay, near Ambleside, Westmorland.

Mr. Edward Turner, of Everton, near

Liverpool, attorney.

At Dalquin, in the county of Galway, Ireland, the Right Hon. John Birmingham, Lord Baron Athenry, premier baron of Ireland.

OCT. I. John Hoberoft, esq. of Nor-

son Areet, aged 82.

3. William Barrington Richardson, esq. one of the magistrates, and a deputy lieutenant for the county of Surrey, and many years deputy comptroller of the cultoms of the port of Lordon

At Ramsgate, St. John Charlton, esq.

of Apley Castle, Shropshire.

At Grove-hill, Mrs. Elliot, wife of Dr. Elliot, and eldest daughter of Dr. Lettfom.

4. At Purford, Surrey, Mr. I Whitburn, sen. many years a brewer at Ripley. At Bath William Sainfbury, efq.

John Wallace, efq. of Kennington. At Radlishbeg, in Dunbartonshire, the Rev. Gordon Stewart, minister of

Bonhill, in his 68th year.

5. At Kentish Town, Mr. Thomas Liddell, partner in the house of Telford, Liddeli, and Smallman, Blackwell Hall factors, Aldermanbury.
At Poole's Hotel, Thomas Burnett

Tucker, efq. aged 31.

Lately, at Hampstead, John Page,

At Tottenham, in his 74th year, Mr. Thomas Gibson, late of White Lioncourt, Cornhill.

At Belmont-place, Vauxhall, Mrs. Waters, wife of Mr. Waters, of the East India Company's ship Britannia.

At Kennington Cross, Surrey, aged 50, John Wallis, esq. of his Majesty's cuf-

7. Colonel Gilbert Ironside, late of the

East India Company's service.

The Rev. Dr. Knowles, of Bury. He had been lecturer in St. Mary's Church there upwards of fifty years; was prebendary of Ely, rector of Ickworth, and vicar of Winston, in Susfolk. He was formerly of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge, of which fociety he was fellow, and where he proceeded A. B. 1743; A. M. 1747. He was author of

(1) An Answer to the Essay on Spirit.

8vo. 1753.

(2) Observations on the divine Mission and Administration of Moses. 8vo. 1763.

(3) Objections to Charity Schools candidly answered, in a Sermon preached

OA. 11, 1772. 4to.

(4) The Passion; or, a descriptive and critical Narrative of the Incidents as they occurred on each Day of the Week in which Christ's Sufferings are commemorated; with Reflections calculated for religious Improvement. 12mo. 1780.

9. The Rev. R. Sumner, vicar of Kenelworth and Stoneleigh, in War-

wickshire.

12. At Bath, Major Brooke.

In Brock-street, Bath, Edward Vanbrugh, efq. descended from Sir John Van-

hrugh.

Lient. William Fraser, of the 1st regiment of life guards. He was on his way to Ramfgate, in a tandem, accompanied by his Groom. About three miles beyond Canterbury, he overtook a waggon in an uneven part of the road. He was at all times a fleady and cautious driver; and, in truth, his extreme caution on this occasion proved fatal to him. That he might be at as great a diffance as possible from the waggon, he unhappily drove too near the hedge, in which a post concealed in the quicklet coming in contact with the wheel of the tandem overlet The servant being on the near-side, fell flort of the waggon; but Mr. Fraser was thrown from a greater height to a greater distance, and unfortunately fell between the fore and hind wheels of the waggon, which passed over the lower part of his breatt. When he was raifed from the ground, he faid to his fervant, John, Don't leave me-I am a dead man."-His fervant having tupperted him against the hedge, and committed him to the humanity of feme perfors who were looking on, disengaged the leader from the traces, and rode full speed to Canterbury for professional affistance. In the mean time, Mr. Fraser was conveyed, on a hurdle covered with firaw, to the Swan Inn, at the little village of Sturry, about a quarter of a mile from the spot where the faral accident happened .- He complained of being cold; and called for some brandy and water .- When the Surgeon arrived, Mr. Fraser begged that he might be bled; but the Surgeon, on examining his pulfe, and finding it low and languid, and his body extremely cold, declared he could not venture to do fo; but requested that he would fuffer himself to be conveyed to Canterbury, where all proper attention might be paid him. He acquiesced; for he was by this time incapable of opposition. He was put into a postchaife, in which, supported by the Surgeon and his taithful attendant, he was conveyed to Canterbury with as much expedition as the nature of his fituation When he reached the would admit. King's Head Inn, at Canterbury, the Surgeon ventured to bleed him, and ad ministered I me other remedies, but in

vain; for in about a quarter of an hour he expired, after a flight convultion.

13. At Merton, Mrs. Downing, wife

of James Downing, &c.

At Bromley, in Kent, Mr. Enoch Holding, attorney-at-law.

14. Mr. John Clarkton, of Market-

street, St. James's.

Dr. Ludlow, at Bath, in confequence of a flight puncture of a thorn in one of his fingers, which inflaming, occationed a

lock-jaw.

The Vicar of St. Ives, Hunts (the Rev. T. Smith) lately died at Haver-fordwell, whither he went for recovery of his health; and on the fame day, his wife died at St. Ives, leaving feven young children unprovided for.

15. At Ramigate, James Daniell, elq. of Wimpole-street, tormerly of the

Madras effablishment.

DEATHS ABROAD.

JULY 17. At Aux Cayes, Bartholomew Dandridge, efq. conful of the United States for the fouthers department of St.

Domingo.

At Port Royal, Jamaica, on board his Majefly's thip Santa Margaretta, Augustus Livinghone Gower, esq. late commander of that vessel. His remains were interred in the church-yard at Kingston, on the 3d of August. His sucreal was attended by Admiral Sir J. T. Duckworth, K. B. and the principal Officers of his Majesty's ships on that station. A detachment of the 4th battalion of the 6oth regiment fired three volties over the grave.

At Kingston, on the 4th of August.

Mr. Richard Lloyd.

SEPT. 15. At Lamb Spring, in Hanover, aged 85, the Kev. William Heatley, abbot of the English Benedictine monastery of that place, to which he was elected in 1762. He was a native of Preston, Lancashire.

Aug. 5 At the Havannah, Lieut. Richard Payne, of the Leviathan.

JULY 5. At Cape Francois, island of St Domingo, Charles Gataker, eq. paymaster of the 6th battalion of the 6th regiment of foot.

FEB. 20. In India, Major Thomas Riddell, of the East India Company's

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SEPT. 6. At Paris, Colonel Alexander Malcolm, late of the 76th regiment.

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