

marked out. They are to be made larger than they were before, and the Houses more substantial. The Consideration of this last Article is in a particular Manner recommended to the Architects; and as it is morally impossible to rebuild this City with Free-Stone, or Bricks, they are making daily Experiments with Sand, Lime, and Sea-shells, and other Materials, in hopes to find out a Cement that may resist the Violence of Fire in order to incrust, or cover the Timber therewith.

The following Account deserves a Place in this PAPER, and sheweth, that notwithstanding the too well grounded Complaints of the Degeneracy of Mankind, there are still generous Souls in the World, who think Charity a Christian Virtue.

THe King has given express Orders that those Persons who have suffered by the late Fire should not be troubled for Debt for 3 Years. We have received here Bills of Exchange to the Value of 50,000 Rixdollars, collected by M. Wiebe, Governour of Norway, in that Kingdom, for the Relief of the poor Sufferers in this terrible Conflagration. They reckon that the Sums which have been received on that Account from several Places, amount to more than 300,000 Rixdollars. Fifty Thousand Crowns have already been recovered which had been stolen on that dismal Occasion. M. de Pudewitz, Minister of the King of Prussia, in a short publick Audience he had of the King, declared he had received Orders to assure his Majesty, that the King his Master would contribute with all his Power towards the rebuilding of the Churches consumed in this City; and for that Purpose, he would take off all Taxes on the Timber exported from Pomerania; and that he had given Directions for the charitable Contributions of all his Subjects for the Relief of the Sufferers. In Obedience to these Directions, it is said one Family alone has contributed more than 100,000 Crowns. There will shortly be publish'd an Ordinance to regulate the Wearing Apparel, and to repress Luxury:

It were to be wished that the Name of that Family had been mentioned in these Advices, that they might be an Example to Others; but it is very likely that as this great Gift proceeds from a Christian Principle, they observed the Precept of our Saviour, and would not be known, but GOD will doubtless, openly reward them.

The like may be said of a charitable Widow, who remitted to Mr. Conradi, one of the King's Chaplains, two Bills of Exchange, one of 30,000 French Livres, and another of 1000 Rixdollars, inclosed in the following Letter.

MY late Husband having been so favour'd by Fortune while he was in the Service of the King of Denmark, that he was oblig'd (under GOD) to his Danish Majesty, for all the Estate he left: For this Reason, out of pure Compassion at the Misery to which many Persons are reduced by the late Fire, I desire that half of the Sum which I send you, be distributed among the Sufferers, and the other half applied to the rebuilding of the Churches. I also desire you to distribute 1000 Crowns amongst the Ministers of the Gospel that are burnt out of their Dwellings, and ruin'd. For the rest, I recommend my self, and Fatherless Children, to your Prayers.

Vidua Anonyma; The Nameless Widow.

A learned Gentleman of Copenhagen describing, in a Letter to his Friend, the Damage done by the late Fire to Learning, expresses himself to this Effect.

THOSE stately Edifices, the Church of our Lady, those of St. Peter, of the Holy Ghost, and of the Trinity, with that of the Reformed Church, are reduced to Ashes. Our University College is laid even with the Ground, as well as every one of our Professor's Houses. The following Accademical Colleges; the King's, the Borrichian, the Eterian, and the Walkendorfsian, are no more. The Flames have devoured the Libraries belonging to these, and to the University: Neither have they spared those noble and most costly ones of the learned Christian Wormius, Martin Reckbergius, Jo. Grammius, and of the rest of the Professors. An infinite Number of MSS. have been utterly lost in this dreadful Conflagration; and indeed the Condition of Denmark, with Respect to Letters, is such, that unless it pleases the Almighty, in his Goodness, to heal our Wounds, we seem absolutely irrecoverable.

Liverpool, Jan. 18. From Capt. John Reed who arrived here a few Days since from Africa, but last from Fyall, we have the following Account; 'That about the 10th of May last on the Coast of Africa, in his Passage from the Leeward, he put into Little Mezurad to get Rice, and there stay'd a Day or two and then sail'd for Gallenas, where on Thomas Kirkham came to him on the 26th of May, and gave the following melanchol Relation. The Queen Caroline Sloop Bristol, Capt. Halladay, in her Trade down the Coast, had been at the Bonana Island and Sierra Liona, and had there taken