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THURSDAY, November 21, 1754.

PARIS, August 31.

OUR Parliament is now returned. The first President made his Entry on Tuesday Night, when the Merchants and other Inhabitants of the Palace (who are not under the Jurisdiction of the Police) gave the greatest Demonstrations of Joy, by firing upwards of 11000 Box Cannon, and many Sky Rockets. The whole Parliament is to assemble the 3d of September to establish a Chamber for the Vacations, and every Thing seems to proceed a good Understanding between them and the King. On Tuesday last his Majesty sent Orders to the Archbishop to have Te Deum sung, on Thursday the 29th Instant, in Thanksgiving for the safe Delivery of Madame le Dauphine, and for the birth of the Duke de Berry, at Night the whole Town was illuminated, the Cannon fired at the Bastille, Grief and Invalides, attended by the finest Fire Works that ever were seen; several Thousands of Hogheads of Wine were given to the common People, with Rolls and Pollonies: In fine, there is nothing but Joy and Contentment in the Face of every one; and what adds to the rest is, the plentifullest Harvest that ever was known, and Wine in the greatest Abundance. The best Bread is not three Farthings a Pound; and Wine worth Five shillings a Bottle in London, sells here for Four and Five Pence, and the French Pint is equal to the Winchester Quart; the only Thing that sells dear is Butchers Meat, which sells for Three Pence halfpenny and Four Pence per Pound for the best.

Lybena, August 12. By a private Ship that arrived here some Days ago we are informed, that the Bey of Tiri having been ordered by the Regency of Algiers to march with a considerable Body of Troops, to reduce the Inhabitants of some Mountains in the Neighbourhood of that City, he luckily found Means to come up with them; but the Rebels were much inferior in Number, they fought so bravely, that they remained Masters of the Field: The Bey having been killed in the heat of the Engagement, his Army betook themselves to Flight. Since this Victory those Highlanders are become so arrogant, that they have refused all the Terms of Accommodation offered them by the Regency.

The last Letters from Corsica import, that the Inhabitants of that Island have desisted from their enterprise of besieging Bastia, finding it impossible to put it in Execution. The same Advices add, that those Rebels were retired, with the greatest part of their Troops, towards the Mountains, from whence they frequently send Detachments into the Camp, to pillage the Houses of those whom they are to be in the Interest of the Republic of Genoa.

LONDON, June 7.
A Shoe-maker in Moorfields was called from his Shop to take Possession of an Estate of 50 l. a year, to which he succeeded by the Death of a Relation at Edmonton. The poor Fellow was in the utmost Distress, having been threatened that every Day by the Lord Mayor's Officers.

June 13. A bloody Scheme to Escape out of the New Goal, Southwark, was formed by James Ward, Thomas Watson, and Roger Dunn, and other desperate Ruffians, which was detected by one of the Accomplishes. They were at the Time of setting up, to have prevailed on the Turnkey to let a Gallon of Beer to be brought into their Yard, when they were to have rushed out upon their Keepers, and with divers offensive Weapons, which they had concealed for that Purpose, to put Death all Opposers.

June 14. In Monmouthshire and Gloucestershire the most violent Storm of Hail known in the Memory of Man, which did great Damage to the Corn, Fruit, and Windows, some of the Hail Stones measuring 4 and 6 Inches. Immediately after this fell a prodigious Shower of Rain, which occasioned such a Flood, that many Houses were filled

four Feet deep with Water, and the Rivers overflowed and cast out Fish. At Coventry the Flood was so great, that for some Time Waggon and Carriages were stopp'd from passing thro' the Town.

July 23. A few Days ago died, in the Manor of Carrick, near M'Guire's Bridge, in Ireland, in the 110th Year of his Age, John Falls, remarkable for having often drank two Quarts of Whiskey at a Sitting, and being afterwards able to walk home.

July 27. Dean Swift and some other Persons of Taste (Mrs. Pilkington says) came to a Resolution to have a Feast once a Year, in Imitation of the Saturnalia, which, in Heathen Rome, was held about the Time we keep our Christmas, whereat the Servants personated their Masters, and the Masters waited as Servants. The first Time they put this Scheme in Practice was at the Deanery House. When all the Servants were seated and every Gentleman placed behind his own Man, the Dean's Servant took an Opportunity of finding Fault with some Meat that was not done to his Taste: and taking it up in his Hand, he threw it in his Master's Face; and mimicked him in every other Poible which he had ever discovered in him. At this the Dean flew into a violent Rage, beat the fellow, and put every Thing into such Disorder, that the Servants affrighted, fled the Room: And here ended the Feast of the Saturnalia.

August 8. We have Advice from Madrid, that his Catholic Majesty has issued an Ordinance, prohibiting all the Religious Houses in the Kingdom from receiving any new Nuns or Monks, for the Space of ten Years.

We learn from Ireland, that the Merchants, Commanders of Ships, and Owners of Ships, of the Port of Dublin, having been from Time to Time great Sufferers, through the ill Behaviour of the Seamen of that Port, by the many Deficiencies of Liquors, through their Custom of Drinking and Embezzling them; in order to prevent such evil Practices for the Future, near Threescore Commanders have bound themselves to each other, in the Penalty of Fifty Pounds, not to ship or employ any Seamen whatsoever, without a proper Recommendation, or a Discharge from his late Commander, certifying his Capacity, Honesty, and good Behaviour.

September 7. In a Letter from Holland we have an Account, that the French Squadron commanded by M. Galissoniere, which sailed some Time ago from the Port of Toulon, has actually appeared before Algiers, and having demanded Restitution of a French Vessel which a Corsair had taken, the same was immediately restored; but as his most Christian Majesty demands a greater Satisfaction for the Insult offered to his Flag, than the bare Restitution, that the Squadron remains still within Sight of that Port.

Yesterday Morning M. Duvelaer, who is charged with the Affairs of France here, in the Absence of the Duke de Mirepoix, received the agreeable News that the Dauphinefs was brought to Bed of a Prince.

We hear from Vienna, that the Empress, in order to encourage the Art of Printing within her Dominions, has lessened the Duty on Paper imported, and greatly augmented those on Books brought from foreign Countries.

In Conformity to the Orders of Court, a great Number of Sailors are getting together at the Port of Brest and Rochfort, to Man the Transports for Canada and the Men of War lately built there.

Letters from Williamsburg to Virginia, dated July 22, inform us, that the French have reaped this Season a very good Crop of Corn from the Lands along the River Ohio, more than sufficient to subsist their invading Troops till next Year. On this alarming Occasion it is natural to observe, that the Designs of the French upon Virginia were known above six Months ago, and consequently, a Regiment or two of regular Troops might have been sent over last Spring, under the Command of some experienced Officer, to defend that important Colony. But perhaps, the Defence of a ruinous Mo-

nopoly so far engrossed some People's Thoughts, that there was then no Room left for Thinking of an Object infinitely more Valuable; and who could have thought of the sad News brought this Week.

According to Advices from Paris of the 16th Instant, the Duke de Mirepoix, since his Arrival there from London, has had several Conferences with M. Rouille, Secretary of State for foreign Affairs, about the Differences between England and France, respecting the Affairs of America. They are still persuaded that these Matters cannot be adjusted without a new Arrangement, which shall fix the Limits of the two Crowns in that Part of the World. Messieurs Duvelaer, say they, remain in London, not only to make an End of the Convention on the Tapis between the two India Companies, but also because they are charged to prosecute some other Affairs, about which the Duke de Mirepoix has often conferred with the British Ministry.

We hear that the Cause so long depending between the Hon. Mr. Annesley, and the Right Hon. the Lord Anglesey, is re-commenced, and will be heard next Term, when it is thought a final Issue will be made in that Affair.

September 14. By the last Dutch Mail there is an Account, that the King of Aegen has deposed the Sophi of Persia, and taken Possession of his Dominions, after a bloody Battle, wherein many Thousands were killed on both Sides.

Our last Accounts from Gambia mention, that the French have again got footing in that River since the English Men of War have quitted that Place.

Edinburgh, June 20. Last Week some Workmen employed in levelling the upper Part of Mr. Ramsey's Garden in the Castle-Hill, fell upon a Subterraneous Chamber, in which were found an Image of white Stone, supposed to be the Virgin Mary, two large Bras Candlesticks, about a Dozen of ancient Scottish or French Coins, and some other Trinkets scattered amongst the Rubbish. By several Remains of burnt Matter, and two Cannon Balls, we may guess, that the Building above Ground was destroyed by the Castle in some former Confusion, it having been the most westwardly House in the City.

Edinburgh, August 27. In a Letter from a Gentleman, Owner of a Ship, lately arrived from Davis's Streights to his Correspondent here, we have an Account, that, during the Time of the Fishery in these Parts, the Weather had been extremely Stormy, and the Streights where the Fish are usually caught full of Ice; and that altho' there had been no less than 42 Ships in the Fishery, yet they had taken only 5 Fish among them all.

Dublin, August 31. We have an Account from Cork, that a Gentlewoman swooned away, and to all Appearance seemed to be quite dead, inasmuch that she was washed and stretched; but some Time after a Sprig of Holly, which had been hung up in the Room directly over where she lay, happening to fall upon her Face, brought her to Life. It is said, her Husband pays great Adoration to this Holly Bush, as the sole Means of preventing his Wife from being buried alive.

WILLIAMSBURG,

November 7. On Saturday last the General Assembly was prorogued, when his Honour the Governor was pleased to make the following SPEECH,

Gentlemen of the Council, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Burgesses,

I SINCERELY Thank you for your Vote of Supply, for conducting the necessary Expedition. I shall take proper Care of representing to his Majesty, your Loyalty, and the Aid you have granted.

Be assured, Gentlemen, the Money now given shall be, with great Frugality, and due Oeconomy, applied for the Use it's intended.

As you have unanimously granted this Supply, I am so desirous of your Interest, in the different Counties you represent, to encourage the Subjects, by your Arguments,