

We hear that the *Hermione* is to be ripped-up at Deptford, in order to see if there be any more Treasure concealed in her: This *Hermione* is the very Ship that detained the Antigallican and her Prize in Cadiz Bay, at the Beginning of the French War, and at that Time carried 32 Nine-pounders.

Some private Letters in Town, said to come from a Merchant at Petersburg, speak of an Attempt made there against the Life of the Empress, by privily fixing Iron Spikes in her Bed, which wounded her a little: but add, that the Affair is kept as secret as possible, for Fear of alarming the Public, though strict Search is making after the Perpetrators.

We hear that his Grace the Duke of Bedford, on his Arrival at Paris, is to demand a categorical Answer to the Conditions of Peace he carries over, and, if they are not complied with, will return immediately to England.

September 25. This Morning a Messenger arrived from France, who is said to have brought some News that is not agreeable. Stocks have fallen two per Cent.

Extract of a Letter from Madrid, Sept. 3.

"Great is our Uneasiness here on Account of the Havannah, where there are much greater Quantities both of Goods and Treasure, than the Government choose to own. The Loss of them will be heavily felt by many in this Kingdom, and even the King himself will suffer very considerably by it. Yet, notwithstanding this fatal Stroke to our Trade and Navy (for according to all Accounts the Place is absolutely gone) not one of our Marine was ever sent to its Relief, and this Circumstance has caused great Clamour against some Persons in Power."

On the Duke of Bedford's Arrival at Calais, he was received amidst the loud Acclamations of the Populace, the Garrison were under Arms, and the Governor gave an elegant Entertainment to his Grace. Military Honours were ordered to be paid him through every Town he passed in his Way to Paris.

On the Duke de Nivernois's Arrival at Dover, he was saluted by the Cannon, and as he passed through the great Towns, he was received by Soldiers under Arms. His Grace gave 100 Guineas among the Men belonging to the Yacht that brought him over.

B O S T O N, November 18.

We hear that Mr. William Clapham, a young Gentleman belonging to this Town, having been trading among the Western Tribes of Indians at Detroit, was murdered by one of his Negroe Servants as he was crossing Lake Erie in a Battoe on his Return, the Negroe who was in the Stern taking an Opportunity struck him in his Back with a Tomahawk, and then threw him over board; as soon as he had done this horrid Deed, and got ashore with the Battoe, he went to the Indians, and informed them of the Affair, imagining they would be pleased with it; instead of which he with the other Servant were secured and sent to the Commanding-Officer at Pittsburgh, on the Ohio.

Since our last a Number of Troops belonging to this Province, who have been in his Majesty's Service at Nova-Scotia, and at the regaining of Newfoundland, returned here in several Vessels from Halifax: The Time of Service for which they enlisted having been completed: A Detachment has re-enlisted to serve the Winter, in Nova-Scotia. We hear the Provincials who have been in his Majesty's Service at Crown Point, &c. and whose Time was also completed, are on their Return; a Number of the Troops have re-enlisted to serve that Way during Winter.

N E W - Y O R K, November 25.

On Monday last arrived here from the Havannah, in about 5 Weeks, the Ship James, Capt. Koffler, and three or four other Transports, with sundry Officers and Men belonging to different Regiments of the Regulars and Provincials, some of whom came to raise Recruits, and others to recover their Health. We hear some of the Sick are immediately ordered to Rhode-Island. The Ships are Part of the Fleet that left the Havannah under Convoy of the Intrepid, from whom they were separated in a hard Gale of Wind on the Coast, about a Fortnight ago. We do not hear the Intrepid is yet arrived.

On Friday last Mr. Richard Allen arrived here from Niagara, who informs us, That on Wednesday the 14th Instant, in the Morning, about Half-way between that Garrison and Albany, on the back Road, being in Company with William Newkirk and Joshua Mines, all on Horseback, they met with two Conasta Indians, who received them very kindly, shook Hands with them, and parted in a very friendly Manner; but they had

scarcely turned their Backs before the Indians discharged their Pieces at them, killed Newkirk and Mines on the Spot, and shot Allen's Horse in the Shoulder; that Allen then rode off as fast as he could, but was soon overtaken by the Indians, who mounted the other Horses, was stripped naked in order to be tomahawked, and was ordered to prepare for Death; but one of the Savages taking Pity on him, saved his Life: That he was left only an old Big Coat to cover him, until he got to a Castle belonging to the Six Nations, where he was kindly received; but had the Mortification to see the two Murderers treated also in the same Manner, they arriving at the Castle as soon as he did. He remained among the Indians for 10 Days, and at length procured two of them, for 25 Dollars, to conduct him to Sir William Johnson's, which they faithfully performed.

Sunday Morning about Three o'Clock, the Earl of Halifax Packet-Boat, Captain Bolderon, arrived here from Falmouth, with the September Mail, in eight Weeks; but has brought no later News than what has already been published,

Yesterday Morning a Seaman belonging to the Privateer Brig Mars, Captain Wright, for this Port, came up in one of our Pilot Boats from Sandy-Hook, where he left a French Prize Snow, belonging to the said Privateer, Captain Sinnot of this Port, and a St. Kitts Man, which they took about a Month ago, as well as 7 others at the same Time, being Part of a Fleet of 25 Sail, under Convoy of a 40 Gun Ship, bound from Cape Francois for Old France, all loaded with Sugar and Indigo; that the Day after the above mentioned eight Prizes were taken, the Privateers still keeping Sight of the Remainder of the Fleet, they fell in with Commodore Kepple, who took them all, with the 40 Gun Ship, and carried them to Jamaica. Four of the Prizes are hourly expected in here.

We hear that the same Privateers have taken 9 outward-bound Vessels, and were left engaging a Dutch Fleet from Hispaniola, in Company with Captain Sproull, in a Virginia Privateer.

P H I L A D E L P H I A, December 2.

Last Week were interred in one Grave, three Children of one Family in this City, who lost their Lives by a most unfortunate Accident. It had been proposed, it seems, to prepare their Bodies for the Small-Pox, by giving them some Cream of Tartar, which was accordingly sent for to an Apothecary's Shop; by Mistake Tartar Emetic was delivered and administered instead of it; which, by it's Excess of Quantity, and violent Operation, soon brought on Death. The Grief of the Parents, who have no other Children, is inexpressible. "How careful ought the Venders of Medicine to be, that none but discreet and intelligent Persons are suffered to attend and serve in their Shops."

Since our last several Vessels have arrived here from the Havannah, by whom we have Advice, That 400,000 Dollars more have been lately discovered there; and that other valuable Discoveries of Goods, &c. were daily making: That the Moore Castle was so far repaired, as that Thirty Cannon were mounted: That Commodore Kepple had sailed for the Jamaica Station, with seven Sail of the Line: That Admiral Pocock was gone to England with seven Line of Battle Ships more, and seventy Transports: That Lord Albemarle was still at the Havannah: And that the Army in general was growing more healthy.

The Ship Sarah, Captain Hardcastle, from this Place for St. Christophers, was taken on her Passage by a French Frigate of 26 Guns, and ransomed for 1000 l. Sterling. Captain Hardcastle lost his Mate, and two Foremast Men, in an Engagement he had with the Frigate in the Night.

From Antigua we learn, that the Privateer Ship Britannia, Captain Robeson, of this Port, has taken a large Spanish Ship, and carried her to Barbados.

The Privateer Snow General Shirley, Captain Wallace, of New-Providence, and bound here, was lost in the Harbour in a Gale of Wind.

The Captain of the HARRIOT PACKET-BOAT, has received Orders to hold his Ship ready to proceed from New-York to England at a Moment's Warning.

We hear that a Negroe Man was found last Tuesday in his Master's Cock-Loft, with a Piece of a Glass Bottle under him, with which he had cut his Throat in such a terrible Manner, that notwithstanding all the Assistance that could be had, he died in a few Hours; and after the Coroner's Inquest had pronounced him guilty of Self-Murder, his Body was immediately ordered, by Authority, to Dr. Shippen's Anatomical Theatre.

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Our ingenious Author, spirited and masterly in all his Productions, has formed his *Eloisa* on the Plan of the celebrated *Clarissa*, the favourite Work of our late Countryman the amiable Mr. *Richardson*. Every one must acknowledge the Resemblance between the distinguishing Features of the principal Characters. *Eloisa* is a less perfect *Clarissa*, *Clara* a Miss *Hove*, as fervent in her Friendship, as witty and charming, but less humorous; merely because the *Swiss* Writer is an intire Stranger to the Talent we express by the Word Humour. It is, indeed, the highest Encomium on Mr. *Richardson*, that he has been deemed worthy the Imitation of a Writer of *Rousseau's* Eminence, and that he still remains unrivalled in copying Nature, tho' he may perhaps be greatly excelled in deep Reflection, the finer Tints that discriminate Genius, and certain magic Powers peculiar to *Rousseau*, of conjuring into a single Expression the Substance of Volumes. Of this Nature we consider the first Letter wrote by *St. Preux* to *Eloisa*, in which he discovers his Love, Situation, and all the consequent Scruples and Difficulties of his Passion. Here by a few Lines we are as deeply interested in the Fate of the Lovers, as if the Author had traced the Progress of the rising Passion through a long Correspondence: He has, in Fact, advanced as far in his Design by a few Lines, as Mr. *Richardson* has done in the three first Volumes; and nothing, in our Opinion, can more justly distinguish the Talents of both Authors than this single Observation. The *English* Moralists describe a young Lady exquisitely delicate, virtuous, beautiful, and religious, but pensive, perhaps, to a Degree of Coldness, an Outcast from her Family, persecuted by the rancorous Envy of a Sister, the brutal Resentment of a Brother, the insupportable Tyranny of a Father, reduced to extreme Wretchedness by the Intrigues of an engaging Villain her Lover, for whom she entertains a secret Passion; and yet refusing, equal to Puffblow, to bestow her Hand upon this Lover, equal to her in Birth and Fortune, the Admiration of the Female World on Account of his Person, Address, Wit and Stratagem, and at last falling a Sacrifice to filial Duty and misplaced Delicacy. On the contrary, the *Swiss* Philosopher paints a Virgin in the Bloom of Youth, innocent, amiable, full of Sensibility, deeply enamoured of Virtue, yet swerving from it's Dictates, and yielding to the Violence of her Passions; but reclaimed by the Horror of her Crime, and her intense Purity of Sentiment. Her Lover too a young Man benevolent and sensible, romantically fond of Virtue, confident of his own Strength, and discovering his Weakness, reasoning like a *Platonist* on Love, and practising like an *Epicurean*. The very Errors of both are engaging, and we admire them in their Fall, because they still bear the Prejudice of Virtue. The one renders his Heroine Proof against all the Assaults of Temptation, thereby proposing a perfect Pattern for the Imitation of her Sex; the other describes her subject to human Frailty, left, by elevating Virtue too high, we should be discouraged from attempting to climb the steep Ascent: Which of the Writers hath succeeded best in inculcating Instruction, we must submit to the different Dispositions of their Readers; one will be animated with an Example, which would throw another into Despair. If we may speak our own Sentiments, *Rousseau* hath furnished the more useful Instruction, as he hath taught us the Means of retrieving the Esteem of Mankind, after a capital Slip in Conduct; than which he could not have read a more instructive Lesson to the Female World, who generally resign over to Vice and Wretchedness those of their own Sex, who have once deviated from the Paths of Virtue; tho' earnest to redeem their Errors.

If we take a nearer View of the two admired Performances in Question, we shall find *Rousseau's* infinitely more sentimental, animated, refined, and elegant; *Richardson's*, more natural, interesting, variegated, and dramatic. The one every where appears the easy, the other the masterly Writer; *Rousseau* raises your Admiration; *Richardson* solicits your Tears; the former is sometimes obscure; the latter too minute. Every Circumstance concurs in disclosing *Richardson's* Design; *Rousseau* is digressive, but his flights are the Extravagations of Genius. They may be considered as Episodes that delight singly, and distinguish the Author a fine Emitter as well as an original Novellist, by the Peculiarity of his Manner. *Richardson* unfolds his Characters by a Variety of slight Touches and Circumstances, which appear trivial unless you regard his Design; while *Rousseau*, by a Felicity of Genius, lays naked the Heart at a single Stroke, and interests you in the Fate of his Personages, before you can be said to know them. By a simple Motion of his Pen, the whole Groupe is assembled in the Imagination, and engage the Attention in Proportion as they are connected with *Eloisa*. However, the Impression they make is strong, but it is evanescent; like the fleeting Pictures of a Dream, they strongly agitate for the Time, and are afterwards forgotten; while those of *Richardson* imprint the Mind more durably because the Stroke is more frequently reiterated.

We may carry the Comparison still farther. *Richardson* has strong Ideas, but they arise by Association; those of *Rousseau* flash like Lightning, illuminate every surrounding Object, are original, rapid, impetuous, unconnected, and scarce deducible from what precedes, or the Subject in Question: The former expresses a fine Sentiment with

amiable but unadorned thoughts all his Thought playing every Faculty of without seeming strained. It consists in concealance of a Court to and yet perfectly fitting. *Virgil* hath been said to it may be alledged of *Rousseau* in the *Lycium*. appears what we really left to the Imagination of Stratagem, and mischief rough boisterous Disposition. *Mansers of Mowbray*, of the reclaimed *Bisford* favour of *Mordant*; the *coined Mrs. Sinclair*; in Person is copied with really exists, almost with.

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