

Means of the Drovers in various Parts of England, who, it is asserted, were allowed a Profit of Three Shillings in the Guinea.

The King of Spain has given Orders for taking a Yearly List of all the Foreigners settled in his Dominions; the Design of this Order is to prevent the Natives from assuming the Quality of Foreigners, in order to enjoy certain Privileges granted by Treaty.

Dec. 28. Letters from France say, that a Ship lately arrived at Rochford, from the Canary Islands, brought Home a Sea Rose-tree, which had been fished up above a Year. It is as hard as any Coral, hath Leaves, &c. of the Colour of a Rose-tree, and its Scent is very agreeable.

Last Thursday Two Men, who make it their Business to send People abroad, for which Purpose they Daily ply at the Royal Exchange, decoyed a Man to a Publick-house at the End of Sherborne-lane, where they wanted him to enlist into the East-India Company's Service, and, on his Refusal, swore that he was a Defter, and accordingly handcuffed him, beat him in a barbarous Manner, and then secured him in the Poultry-Compter, in order to carry him before a Magistrate, under Pretence of sending him to the Regiment; and Yesterday he was carried before Alderman A Top, at Guildhall, when some Gentlemen of Reputation appearing to prove that the Prisoner was no Defter, and also several Tradesmen from Sherborne-lane, to prove the cruel Usage he had received, he was dismissed, and the Two Fellows were committed to Newgate.

Jan. 3. Lord George Germaine has lately been at St. James's; and it is confidently asserted that he may, if he pleases, have a civil Employment of great Importance; but that he never will engage actually as a Minister of the Crown, unless he is restored to his military Honours.

The Report of Three Sail of Men of War fitting out at Portsmouth, for the Straits, is entirely false; there not being any Ships of War fitting out there at all, only the Guardships and Cruisers have been docked lately as usual.

The following is handed about as the Copy of a Letter from a new made Duchess to a noble Lord at the Head of the Treasury, in Answer to one lately received from him on the Subject of her Marriage, though it is little credited.

"MY LORD,

"I had the Honour of your Letter Two Days since, and though it required no Hesitation on my Part to decide me how to act, yet I waited to have the Sentiments of those, who, from the Ties of Honour and Relationship, I should respect superior to my own; As I have the Satisfaction to find my Opinion confirmed, I can the more readily answer such Particulars as you want to be informed of.

"You urge many political Motives for my relinquishing the publick Title of D—s of C—d, and add, how agreeable it would be to his M—y I should be on the same Footing with the C—s of W—c, who, 'having publick Precedence, is received by all Branches of the R—l F—y as D—s of G—r; as a Sucedaneum to all these, you enter into the true Spirit of your Character as a Statesman, and offer me, by Way of Bribe, a handsome Jointure.

"All these, I must confess, are flattering Circumstances, but do not, by any Means, constitute my Happiness. In regard to the First Point, I must frankly tell you I am no Judge of Politics; therefore shall never take it into Consideration: In respect to the Second, I am much obliged to his M—y for such Condescension; but, however a Reception, on such Terms, may suit the still Mind of the Countess, who, as Lord Chalkstone says, "may prefer fattening on the Summum Bonum," my Ambition leads to a larger Compass, and six shining Footmen, calling out, "The D—s of C—d's Carriage here," at any of the publick Places, will give me more Heartfelt Satisfaction than all the R—l Parties quarrels I should ever have at B—m House.

"Your Lordship's Sagacity will readily see my Objection to the Third Point is necessarily involved in my Refusal to the Two former; but, lest it should not, I tell you, once for all, not even the Possession of your Golden Key, or the greatest Overflow of the Treasury, should induce me to alter my Sentiments. My Husband's Fortune, though not at present equal to his Rank, with interior Oeconomy, is sufficient to make a suitable Appearance in publick. I am perfectly content with that; and whenever it shall graciously please his M—y to think more favourably of me, I flatter myself I shall not be behind-hand with any of my Family, in Duty and Affection.

"I have the Honour to be, &c.

Windsor-Lodge, December 19."

It is said that new and very advantageous Overtures were, a few Days since, made to the D. of C. on Condition that he would become a voluntary Exile at Hanover.

Extra of a Letter from Cambridge, December, 29.

This University is at present divided about the Affair of Subscription for the Bachelors Degree. Many Persons are offended at the young Men for troubling themselves about the Thirty-nine Articles at their Time of Life; and the Master of a College has threatened to stop the Degree of any Person who shall sign the Petition addressed to the Vice Chancellor and Senate, now circulating in this Place; while the Gentlemen on the other Side, say, If it is not right for the young Men to trouble their Heads as yet upon the Subject, it is not right in their Superiors to compel their Subscription, especially as it is well known that there is not a single Lecture given upon the Articles or Humilies, in the University."

Extra of a Letter from Chatham.

"Notwithstanding all those necessary Precautions which Government has taken to prevent the Plague

being brought into these Kingdoms, I do assure the Publick, that those very Crews who are commanded to perform Quarantine, unmolested and untouched, come to the Shore with Impunity; nor pay any Obedience to the Law, further than a Continuation of their Ships in Standgate Creek."

Lord Chief Justice De Grey has had some Offers made him to resign, which is thought will be in favour of Mr. Thurlow, who is to be succeeded by Mr. Wedderburne.

On a moderate Calculation, founded on the latest Intelligence from India, the Revenues of the Company, it appears, amount to considerably more than Two Millions and a Half Yearly.

Jan. 4. Advice is received that the French are secretly exporting immense Quantities of Ordnance and Stores to the Coast of Africa and the East-Indies.

Jan. 6. An eminent Physician, lately speaking of the Duke of Gloucester's Cafe, delivered it as his Opinion, that his Royal Highness might hold out a few Months longer in a warm Climate; but to expect his Recovery was to hope for Impossibilities, and to distress ourselves doubly, by adding Disappointment to Misfortune.

Jan. 8. The following is an authentic Copy of an anonymous Letter which was lately sent to Lord T—d in the Kingdom of Ireland, and which has made a great Bustle in the Castle.

"MY LORD,

"Your Years have been so long unaccustomed to hear Truth, that it will sound but harshly to them; however, it is worth hearkening to: And, though it comes from an unknown Voice, let your Excellency listen.

"There is a Respect due to Misfortune which a generous Man will always pay. The low Regue in the Pillory demands it from the Mob, and it is very seldom refused: Far be it from me, therefore, to withhold it from the great Regue, at the Helm. Well do I know the brittle Stuff your Character is made of: It is too soft to be handled roughly; and, like your own Promises, would vanish into Vapour and Air.

"Why should I tell your Excellency, what every Clerk in every Office in Town repeats, that you are a Boy in Politics? Alas! that Polly has neither Eyes nor Ears! In an evil Hour, like Phaeton, you assumed the Reins; and, like him, in an evil Hour you must let them go.—What have you to do with Politics; Before the Conflagration begins, retire.—Were an Angel to take Pity on your Woes, he would descend and give you the same Advice.

"Are you still incredulous? Look round you, and see where you are. Who are your Friends? Your Friends did I say?—M—y, M—e, S—, and a black List of other Knaves.—Can they be Friends?—Alas! you blush for them; and, if they could, would blush for you.—Take my Advice, my Lord, and retire.

"Take a more extended View. Think on the State to which you have reduced this wretched Country. Every Place, every Person in confusion—our Laws trampled upon—our Trade wounded—and our publick Credit rendered precarious—under your Administration; our Beggars have become more beggarly—and our Knaves more knavish.—Does this dreadful Picture affright you?—Are you a Man to cope with the Fury of an enraged People?—Think of this, tremble, and retire.

"Are you still incredulous?—I am not surpris'd. As you are ignorant, you have a Right to be confident. Listen once more then—look into History for the Fate of Traitors in past Ages: It will inform you, to your Confusion, how easy the Step is from the Throne of Ireland to the Scaffold of England. Shame! shame! my Lord, quit your Castle, and retire."

Jan. 10. On Wednesday after the Levée was over at St. James's, their Excellencies the Russian and Swedish Ambassadors, together with the Earl of Rochford and Lord North, attended his Majesty to the Queen's Palace, where the Swedish Ambassador shewed the Answer from his Court relative to the objected Articles in the Treaty of Commerce, which were agreed to be removed; and at the next Council it will be ratified by all Parties.

Mr. Adair and Dr. Jebb arrived at Pisa on the 12th of December; their Advice was, that the Duke of Gloucester should continue in that Place some Time longer. His Royal Highness was at a masked Ball in that City on the 13th of the same Month.

The Report of the Day is, that Letters are received from Brest, dated the 6th Inst. which mention, that Orders had been just received from Court to equip Nine Sail of the Line and Four Frigates with all Expedition, but the Object thereof is kept secret.

Jan. 13. It is remarkable that her Majesty's Brothers, besides having Regiments in the Hanoverian Service, are, the one Governor of Zell, and the other Governor of Hanover, with large Appointments; whereas the King's Brothers are, one a Colonel, and the other a Rear-Admiral, with the common Allowance of other Officers in the same Situation.

The following remarkable Affair happened a few Days ago at Fulham: A Gentleman hired a House there, and accidentally found a Key of uncommon Construction, and was determined to find out the Place it belonged to: After searching for some Time, he discovered a small Door in a dark Corner of one of the Garrets, which he opened with the Key, and found a Place resembling a Well; it proved to be a winding Staircase, Twelve Feet deep, and no other Way of descending but by going backwards: On coming to the Bottom, by Means of a Candle, he discovered a complete Set of Implements for coining: The Smoke from the melting Furnace was artfully conveyed to the main Chimney by Means of a Flue artfully concealed. By the Dies it seems were counterfeited the old broad Gold Pieces, and, as near as can be conjectured, is now about 200 Years since this secret Place was first made.

Jan. 15. Col. L— has lately received an anonymous Letter, dissuading him in the strongest Manner from making any publick Recantation of his Principles and Conduct in the Middlesex Election, and from offering himself as a Member of the Bill of Rights. The Arguments are drawn from the Necessity that both the Colonel and the Body of Patriots should support some Character, which would be entirely forfeited on both Sides, if he should disavow the only Point in Politics he ever yet maintained, and they should receive so barefaced an Apostate with open Arms. A middle Track is recommended to him, in which his Services will be accepted, and highly acknowledged by the Patriots. From some Particularities the Letter is supposed to come from the Pen of the celebrated Junius. Our Correspondent promises, if possible, to procure us a Copy of it.

A Correspondent has sent us Word, that although the Spaniards have fulfilled the Convention by delivering up of Falkland's Island, yet the Right of future Possession remains yet unsettled; but a Memorial from Spain is hourly expected, when this important Point will be finally determined during the next Session of Parliament.

A N N A P O L I S, APRIL 9.

On Wednesday the First Instant departed this Life, Mr. Thomas Ringgold, late of Chester-Town, Merchant, and one of the Delegates of Kent County. He discharged the Trust reposed in him by the People, in their Appointment of him to serve in that elevated Department, with FIDELITY; and yet, did not acquire more Esteem, Respect and Honour from his publick than private Conduct. His extreme Sensibility greatly disposed him to Beneficence, while Providence, smiling on his unwearied Diligence, crowned his Labours with a generous Fortune; which confirmed him a real Friend to the Poor. Nor was his Liberality confined here alone; many of his Relations largely participated his Wealth, and publick Contributions flourished on the Fruits of his Industry. But it would be needless to enumerate particularly his Virtues, when he passed through the various Duties and Offices of Life, incident to his Circumstances, with unfulfilled Reputation, and died universally regretted—a GOOD MAN.

Charles County, March 22, 1771.

On Tuesday the 26th of May next, at the House of Mr. Anne Halkeriton, in Port-Tobacco, will be exposed to Sale, to the highest Bidder,

THE Two following Tracts or Parcels of Land, late the Property of Capt. Robert Horner, and conveyed to me in Trust for the Use of his Creditors.

KEITH'S REST, lying in the County aforesaid, near Mr. Joshua Sanders's, in the Neighbourhood of Bryan-Town. This Tract was patented for only One Hundred Acres, but it is said contains near Three. Any Person inclinable to view it before the Day of Sale, may apply to Mr. David Ojrus, a Tenant on it.

HOG MARSH, containing Eight Acres, a Piece of Leaf Land for Three Lives, lying in Wejwood Marsh, adjoining Wejwood Manor, and near the Plantation of Mr. John Winter, on Wicomico River in the County aforesaid.—Those who have an Inclination to purchase both or either of the above-mentioned Tracts of Land, must come prepared with Current Money, Sterling Cash, or Bills of Exchange, as no Credit can be given by
(t.s.) GEORGE LEE, Sheriff.

IN Consequence of my being made Choice of to inspect the Tobacco brought to Queen-Anne Warehouse, on the Terms it was inspected by Mr. Margruder last Year, I have taken the following Oath.

MARSH MANEN DUVALL
Prince-George's County, ff. March 30, 1771.
I hereby certify, that at the Request of Mr. Marsh Manen Duvall, I have administered the following Oath, to wit.

"I, Marsh Manen Duvall, do make Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that I will diligently and carefully view and inspect all such Tobacco as shall be uncased and offered to me for Inspection, at Queen-Anne Warehouse, between the First Day of April and the Twentieth Day of August next; and that I will, after such Inspection, deliver a Receipt or Certificate to the Owner of such Tobacco (if required) expressing the Tare and Net Weight thereof, distinguishing the same as to Colour as was done under the late Inspection Law; and that I will not pass any Tobacco that is not in my Judgment sound, well conditioned, merchantable, and clear of Trash, and will mark and stamp the same when desired; and that I will attend the said Warehouse from the First Day of April to the Twenty-second Day thereof, as often as required, for the Inspection and delivering out such Tobacco; and that I will attend constantly at said Warehouse, from the Twenty-second Day of April to the Twentieth Day of August next, for the Inspection and delivering out all such Tobacco as aforesaid; and that I will also attend the said Warehouse, from the said Twentieth Day of August next, as often as I am required, till all the Tobacco I shall so inspect shall be delivered out; and that I will not any Way intermeddle with or busy myself in procuring Tobacco to be sold or consigned to any Merchant, or in lading any Ship or Vessel with Tobacco, except my own."
Sworn before me the Day and Year first above written,
RICHARD DUCKETT, Just.

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