

From these Observations I may reasonably conclude, that there can be no Set of Writers more useful or beneficial to the Public, than impartial and accurate Historians; Impartial, I say, because the Poison of Partiality, or Party-Spleen and Rage, has very much contributed to fully and pollute History, and obscure the Truth with Clouds of Error, and Misrepresentation of Facts. Truth, Candour, and Reason, should always be in the Eye of an Historian; and conducted by these Guides, his Writings will be valuable and permanent: Such Writings tend to inspire us with generous Sentiments, worthy of our happy Constitution, and instill into us Principles, which will on every proper Occasion discover themselves in Defence of it; and enable us to secure our valuable Liberties and Privileges.

MAY it ever be our Fate, long to understand the true Use of History, and learn to put in Practice, on every proper Occasion, what useful Reflexions may be gathered, from so many and rational a Study. I am, with Regard,

Si,
Your most humble Servant,
PHIL—ELEUTHERUS.

AMBERG (in Bavaria), January 29.

THIS City having been abandoned on the 20th Instant before Day break, by the French and Bavarian Garrisons; the whole upper Palatinate is now clear of Enemies, and in Possession of the Austrian Troops.

Hague, Feb. 15, O. S. M. de Dieu has at last received his Instructions, and is going to set out for Petersburg: The principal Point of the Commission he is to execute there, is to join with the British, Austrian, and Saxon Ministers, in the Invitation that is to be given to the Empress, to accede to the Treaty of Waraw of the 28th of December; and to put the finishing Hand to the Treaty that has been so long on the Tapis, for furnishing a Body of Russian Troops to the Queen of Hungary and her Allies, to be employed wherever they shall think fit, in Consideration of a yearly Subsidy, which is rated at 100000 l. Sterling for every 10000 Men; one 4th of which is to be Cavalry. It is reported here, that the Lord Tyrwley, the British Ambassador in Russia, has lately writ, that every Thing was ready for the Conclusion of the Treaty: And they add, that the King of Prussia was so alarmed at the first Advice he received of it, that he immediately dispatched Orders to the Prince Anhalt-Desiau, to detach 17 Regiments of Foot from his Army, and march them directly into Prussia, whether some other Troops are likewise commanded to repair, in order to secure that Part of his Dominions from any Enterprizes the Russians might form against it. We shall soon get further Lights into these Facts, the Truth of which many People call in Question; because it does not seem credible, that the King of Prussia would have ventured to assert, in his Rescripts to his Ministers at foreign Courts, that he was very sure of the Empress of Russia's Dispositions in his Favour; and could even depend upon her Assistance in case of Need; had not such Assurances really been given him. As for the rest, it is still affirmed here, that their High Mightinesses are willing to employ their good Offices, for bringing the Treaty in Question to bear; and even to become contracting Parties in it, but without any way contributing towards the Subsidy that was to be stipulated.

Munich, Feb. 13, O. S. The Austran Troops along the Inn, are making Motions, which indicate that they are bent upon some Enterprize. The Bavarian and Hessian Troops that are quarter'd near that River, are preparing on their Side to guard against a Surprize. The Elector of Bavaria has resolv'd to come into no Measures that may be prejudicial to his Allies.

LONDON, February 7.

On Wednesday last Dr. Lisle, of Magdalen College in Oxford, was chosen Public Orator of that Univerfity.

Feb. 14. By Letters from Vienna we learn, that Count Koenigsberg is set out to take upon him the Command of the Allied Army in Flanders, to supply the Defect of the Englysh; and that several Cabinet Counsellors have Orders to set out from thence, for the same Purpose.

Thursday, Orders were sent to Chatham, from the Lords of the Admiralty, for the immediate repairing the Princess Anne's, a 60 Gun Ship, for Channel-Service.

The Right Honourable the Earl of Orford is thought to be much better, and drinks Ant's Milk.

On Thursday the Right Honourable Francis Howard, Earl of Effingham, was married to Miss Bickford, a beautiful young Lady with a considerable Fortune.

Feb. 23. The William and Mary and Carolina Yachts are ordered to be got ready forthwith, in order to carry over his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland to Flanders.

We hear that the Right Hon. the Lord Cathcart; the Lord Bury, Sen to the Earl of Albemarle; the Hon. Captain York, Son to the Right Hon. the Lord High Chancellor; and Mr. Poyntz; are appointed Aid-de-Camps to his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland.

And the Right Hon. the Earl of Dunmore is to have the Command in Flanders, under his Royal Highness.

The Lords of the Admiralty have appointed Capt. William Fielding, of the Pearl Man of War, to be Commander of the St. George of 90 Guns, now at Portsmouth.

We hear that Orders are issued, that no Persons of any Distinction whatever, be permitted to pay any Visit to M. Bellise, or his Brother, during their Confinement at Windsor-Castle, without Leave first obtained.

It is remarkable, and occasions Speculations, that the very Day Marshal Bellise arrived at Windsor-Castle, the whole Garrison kept a *General Fast*.

The Plate of Silver, and the Image, found some Time since at Barkway in Hertfordshire, (as mentioned in one of our former Papers), were carried to John Jennings, Esq; Lord of the Manor; who sent them to the Royal Society, by whom they have been examined; and are allowed to be the most antient and greatest Curiosities, that have been found for many Ages.

The University of Oxford have purchased a most valuable Egyptian Antiquity, being a Porphyry Bath, of Dr. Perry, who not long since brought it from Egypt with other Curiosities.

Last Thursday the Rev. Mr. John Nixon, A. M. Rector of Towcester in Northamptonshire, a most judicious and skilful Antiquary, was admitted a Fellow of the Royal Society.

Feb. 26. As we are assured that the approaching Campaign will be made entirely upon a *British System*, it is expected that the *Siege of Dankirk* will be undertaken very early.

On Monday some Workmen began to alter Cavendish-Square, pursuant to the Orders of his Grace the Duke of Chandos.

EPIGRAM, on the Earl of O——d's Recovery.

WHILE O——d lay ill, and himself thought a-dying;
While his Children stood by, and his Brother a-crying;
While the Torture acute broke all Patience and Rest;
While Pangs still acuter corroded his Breast;
The Judges Infernal summon'd Death to appear,
And bade him a While the fell Statesman to spare:
The Reason they gave to the Monarch so wan,
We beg leave to record for the Service of Man:
'T little agreed with their Justice, they said,
'That a Man of his Guilt should die in his Bed.'