

decency of affording such an extent to those limits as may prevent future disputes. The transportation of merchandise from one American colony to another, without being liable to be visited on suspicion of carrying contraband goods, a liberty founded on the treaty of 1670; the limits between Florida and Carolina; and the ancient privilege we enjoyed of cutting wood in the bay of Campeche, are points, if worth our regarding, that will require some time and skill to settle amicably. But surely these advantages (already our due, exclusive of the most trifling circumstances) are not to be purchased at so dear a rate, as the restitution of Gibraltar.

The right hon. the earl of Harrington came from Bath on Sunday evening, to his house at St. James's.

At the same time sixty-one days subsistence was issued out at the said office, to his majesty's forces in the plantations, from the 25th of October to the 24th of December.

October 27. Early yesterday morning several parties of the life-guards, &c. marched through the city, in order to lie on the Essex and Kentish roads, to escort his majesty to London on his landing from Holland.

This day the right honourable the lord Anson set out for Hartwick, in order to embark for Holland, to bring over this majesty.

His grace the duke of Richmond will go ambassador to France.

The earl of Holderness to Holland;

The earl of Rochester to Portugal; And

Benjamin Keen, Esq; to Spain.

It is confidently reported, that there will be no new money raised for the next year; and that the land tax will certainly be reduced.

Yesterday about noon, her grace the duchess of Newcastle arrived at his grace's house in Lincoln's Inn Fields from Holland; soon after she waited on the prince and princesses of Wales, and was most graciously received. She afterwards waited on the princesses Amelia and Carolina at St. James's.

The last letters transmitted to Petersburg, by the Russian minister at Constantinople, have qualif'd the report of the Grand Signior's death, who has at last quitted the seraglio, where he had shut himself up during the late insurrection, and in a grand divan declared his nephew successor to the Ottoman throne: And as this prince is known to be of a martial temper, and an unscrupulous genius, the Grand Vizir thought fit, on that occasion, to declare to the foreign ministers, that the Porte would continue to live in peace with the Christian powers.

Letters from Poland, of the 4th instant, advise, that prodigious swarms of locusts have appeared in the neighbourhood of Thorn, and that the distemper among the horned cattle is still very rife in Poland.

We bear from Tiflis, that his Britannian majesty is resolved always to keep up two regular troops at foot, and cause the militia to exercise constantly, even in time of peace; it being apprehended, that Europe in general is not yet properly moulded for a sole and lasting peace.

According to advices from Genoa that République has agreed with the French to maintain constantly 10,000 men, who are to be in the pay of France, and employed in repelling any future invasion of the kingdom, on the side of Dauphiny or Provence. They add, that France will likewise pay 600 of the troops, which are to garnish the colonies ceded to the infant Don Philip by the Indulging Treaty.

On Tuesday morning a young fellow, who had been confined for some time in a private mad house, and from which he was lately set at liberty, was found hanging in his lodgings in High Holborn, about 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

A letter, dated Nottingham, October 21. '48, will

looking over old and former papers, make it appear, that very publicly charged these enemies of society, with the most horrid heinous of violence against their fellow subjects, and moreover, at the same time, that the accusers committed libel publicly, papers of the deceased, by committing libel on the part of the villains they hold guilty. This statement is made, is by no means to be denied, as it appears from the manner of their horrid usage of their human property, employed in carrying on or their misdeeds, but now, I believe, yet appear in print, therefore the following account of the shocking tragedy will be a piece of interest to all the inhabitants of the parish, and especially of

the persons who are to follow their pity on them when brought before your great, thinking the de-

frauding of the revenue into venial a crime to be punished with death. But when the laws of government are broke through in direct instance, how easy and natural is the transition to their violation in every branch, even where they are intended to preserve the lives and properties of every individual of the community?

Some months ago, information being given against one of the gang concerned in breaking open and plundering the king's warehouse at Poole, he was taken up and secured in Chichester goal, and application made for finding out an evidence to convict him of the fact, but so great was the terror of the smugglers in these parts, that no body cared to appear against him. At last a poor unhappy man, Chater by name, who had a large family, was found and persuaded to depose before a magistrate, that he was personally acquainted with the criminal, and could give sufficient light into the affair. The next necessary step was to convey him from Southampton to Chichester, and to send a person with him to take care that he might not be tampered with on the road, or induced to drop his evidence. The person pitch'd upon for this service was one Mr. Galley, an officer of the port, who had acquired the esteem and goodwill of the whole town. They accordingly set out together, without the least fear of any disaster, as they imagined the whole transaction had been carried on so secretly that no body knew any thing of their errand; but alas! they found by a woful experience, that the affair had got vent, and they were never heard of more, in spite of the strictest enquiry made after them. At last, about a month ago, upon repeated advertisements and rewards offered for discovering what was become of them, an unknown person in disguise, gave the following account of their fate. That they were met on the road by a gang of smugglers, who had no notice of their journey, and were determined to glut their vengeance with their blood, and a death more cruel than what the severest laws order for the worst of villains. They began with poor Galley, and broke every joint of his body, cut off his privities and nose, and after several hours torturing him, vowed at last to put him out of his misery, and buried him nine feet deep by the road side. As to Chater, they carried him to a dry well, where they hung him to a crois-beam by the waste, and where undoubtedly he ended his days with hunger and exquisite pain, for upon their return to the place some days after he was heard to groan, upon which they cut the rope, and letting him drop to the bottom, covered him with logs of wood and stones; the person who gave the information, confirmed the truth of his account by directing to the spots where they lay, and where their wretched mangled remains were found, to the terror and surprise of the whole country, and the unspeakable grief of their friends and acquaintances.

On Friday died Mrs. Elizabeth Weston, widow of Major Thomas Weston, who was for many Years Chief Justice of this County; to whom was qd. of summe D<sup>r</sup> 1000. On Sunday last died at her house in Wilton, County, the Rev. Mr. Hunt, Vicar Preacher of St. Michael's Parish, an advanced age. His Life was exemplary and Character unblameable, and well worthy of imitation.

We hear, that the Waits of Exeter will issue this week, and that the Assembly will meet the beginning of May next.

WHEREAS it is inconvenient for many of the Inhabitants of this County to come to my Office to discharge their public Dues, that is, such Part as may be discharged in Current Money, and as I am desirous that all Persons who have dealings with me should be eas'd as much as in my Power, I therefore give this publick Notice, That I will attend the House of Commons, upon the 2nd and 3rd Days of May next, and at the House of Mrs. John Conner, on the 20th and 21st Days of the same Month, in order to receive such Money as shall be then offered me, on the Account above mentioned. And I desire, that if any Person have any Objections to their Account, found under my Hand, that they will then let me know their Reasons for making such Objections; and if any Mistakes should appear to have been made by me, no one shall be more ready to settle them in an amicable Manner, than

John Gaskins, Sheriff