

Sept. 14. Ended the sessions at the Old Baily, having lasted eight days, when were condemned 19 persons; viz. 2 for a riot, and pulling down part of a house near Temp'e-bar; 2 for horse-stealing, 14 for street and highway robberies, and 1 for returning from transportation.

The French making pretensions to a part of Nova-Scotia, or Acadia, the lords of trade and plantations have searched into the ancient records, treaties, and memorials, relating to that country, and find that the whole extent of that province has belonged to the British crown ever since 1725, when all the Indian chiefs took an oath of fidelity to K. George I.—The result of this research has been communicated to the earl of Albemarle, to give additional force to his remonstrances against the construction of a new fort, now building there by the French, on the river St. John; and orders were sent to governor North Cornwallis, to oppose all settlements of the French, in any part of the province.

The whale fishery in Davis's streights has been very prosperous this season; 41 Dutch ships have taken 105 fish, making 8704 casks of blubber; 4 Hamboirgh vessels took 15 fish and a half; and the rest of the ships 4 fish and a half amongst them. The —, capt. Adams, arrived in the river from Greenland, caught 4 whales and a quarter, 4 sea-horses, and an unicorn, whose horn is 10 feet long.

Sept. 23. The debtors in the Marshalsea prison began a mutiny, which continued 'till the next morning; they broke open several doors, and threatened the lives of the keepers; for which two of them have been committed to the New Goal.

Sept. 26. The Portuguese have two guarda costas at Cape de Verd, which take all vessels that come there for a dye called *Wred*, which is prohibited; they took three English ships, and a fourth narrowly escaped.

Sept. 27. The crews of the Stirling Castle and Despatch men of war, after two years, were paid their prize money, amounting to *sixpence* each foremast man.

It is reported that the Dutch in the East Indies have thrown off their dependency on Holland, and form'd a government of their own.

An English vessel arrived at Leghorn from Salonica, was met by three Tunis vessels; and because the captain would not strike and bring to, they forced him, and then punish'd him with 300 castinados on his feet.

On the 23d of this month died Sir Warkia Williams Wyate of Denbighshire, Bart. by a fall from his horse, in hunting. An excellent pattern of generosity and hospitality, a steady senator, a firm patriot, a known enemy to the corruption and venality of the times: In private life, a hearty and sincere friend, and a noble example of conjugal fidelity: His house was a daily relief for the poor; there was good bread for the hungry, and good drink for the thirsty, and none let to go away empty. He served in Parliament ever since 1726. He had by one son, born April 8 last, by his second lady.

Cockermouth in Cumberland; September 3. In the night between the 22d and 23d ult. in the midst of the most terrible raining and thunder that ever was seen or heard, a large rock at the tops of the mountain [at St. John's] was rent asunder; of which came so great a deluge of water, and with such violence and rapidity, as carried all before it, such as solid stones of incredible weight, houses, barns, mills, &c. and even eras their very foundations, so that you cannot now tell where a flood; the mill-stones are carried some hundred yards from mill, and tossed upon the rubbish and sand, the quantity of which is so great, that it has laid waste a great tract of arable meadowland, which will for the future be for ever spoiling; as deep in some places as the tops of trees.

would surpass all credit to give you every particular circumstance of this surprizing cataracl, which still continues to urge a large quantity of water, of such a strange nature, as obscure all the river Derwent quite down to the sea, which is but near twenty miles. The damage done to the bay, and proprietors of the neighbouring fields and houses, is put at 4000 l.

[Thus for the Magazine.]

Isol, July 29. Last Monday night a great body of company of the county of Somerset, came to Bedminster, making prodigious shouts, so as to be heard several miles round, and to work with hatchets, &c. on the turn-pike gates and erected for the Ashton road, and though they were exceedingly, they quite demolish'd

in any future act of this kind, besides being intided to his majesty's most gracious pardon.

And on Tuesday night another body of country people of the Gloucestershire side, some naked with only trowsers on, some in their shirts, several with their faces black'd, &c. came and destroy'd a second time, the turn pike gates, and turn pike house at don John's cross, on the Toghull road; about a mile from this city. They bored holes in the large posts and blew them up with gunpowder. Some hours before, the tollman of the gate was severely threaten'd; and his wife was told if she did not go home, her bones should be sent home in a bag.

However, cross bars and posts, were again erected, and chains put a cross the roads, and some stout men were plac'd to assist the tollmen; and particularly at those on the Ashton road, on toedday, the commissioners took it by turns, about a dozen in a body, to stand at the gates likewise, to give an awe to the people and oblige them to pay the toll. Notwithstanding which, the same morning, several persons attempted to force their passage with some cattle and colts, for the fair, and insulted the gentlemen; and one of them, who held the burden of his whip over one of the commissioner's head, in a menacing Manner, will, we hear, have an information lodg'd against him in the crown office.

They came a second time, on Wednesday night, between ten and eleven o'clock, in a prodigious body; with drums beating, and loud shouting, arm'd with cutting instruments fix'd in long staves, &c. and some disguis'd in womens apparel, and soon dispatch'd their work, in quite demolishing the turnpike erections fix'd, as well as the house which was rebuilding on the Ashton road, and also the strongest turnpike on the Dendry road, which was not before cut down.

It was given out they would come again on Friday night, and in order to receive them a strong guard of seamen, all arm'd with musquet, pistols, cutlasses, &c. were placed at the turnpike gate, (which was again erected) and most certainly had they made another attempt to destroy it, some lives would have been lost, perhaps on both sides.

In pursuance of the commissioners resolution, on Thursday those gentlemen made an excursion on horseback, eight miles into the county of Somerset; arm'd with musquet, and pistols, in search of some of those concern'd in destroying the turnpike gates, &c. one of whom they took at Blackwell, and brought him pinion'd behind one of their servants on horseback, to Bedminster about six in the evening.

On account of these disturbances, the city gates are shut at nine o'clock at night; and all the constables have orders to be ready on any emergency; and the citizens are determin'd to defend themselves.

We are told, that those persons in Newgate have impeach'd a great many of their accomplices.

August 12. Since last Saturday morning, this city has remain'd free from any apprehensions of the colliers and country people; as we have now six troops of the second regiment of dragoon guards, to prevent any further insults; two of those troops arriv'd on Saturday from Gloucester, and the rest march'd in last week, all on foot their horses being left behind at grass.

Their timely arrival occasioned the colliers and country people to disperse on Saturday last; and posts and chains are again erected, and the tolls levied: But the commissioners have now ordered the turnpikes to be fixed nearer to the liberties of the city; so that it must be a very bold step for any to presume cutting them down again so near the houses.

A body of 3 or 400 colliers, who came from Clutton, Paul-ton, and other coal-works, in order to join their brethren in Kingswood, returned back on Saturday over the river to Ken-sham, greatly enraged against those in Kingswood, for disappointing them; after so many threatenings, that caus'd them to leave their works; and were very near on the point of dispatching one of the Kingswood leaders, and pulling his and some other of the principal colliers houses down.

The same day a body of those people access'd one of the judges in his coach near Pensford, coming the circuit to this city, and told him, *Sir we have cut down the turnpikes.*—He said to this purport, *I am sorry for it; you had better let them alone; and that you will find.*—They then press'd his lordship for money; but the coachman was order'd to drive on.

The unhappy persons in Newgate and Bridewell