choly speculation, he chuſes rather to give it that ſuppreſs it. The C——n, ſtung to find that his revenge had not proved effectual, and his vindictive ſpirit of reſentment not being *ſufficiently gratified*, or perhaps to make a further *experiment* on the *feelings* of human nature, gave up the boatſwain's mate to a ſevere flogging, charging him with not having done his duty; this not proving *ſatisfactory* to the boatſwain's mate, who conſidering the uſage of poor Ch-m-b-rs as the cauſe of what he had experienced, or, what is more probable, to make his conduct more *congenial* to the *keen feelings* of the C——n, conſtantly after ſet him to perform every hazardous and difficult undertaking, and made him do infinitely more than the duties of his ſituation required. The hardſhips Ch-m-b-rs now bore proving too great for the fortitude of human nature, he *deſerted*, but in ſuch a manner as effectually to elude the *puniſhment* awaiting ſuch a *crime*, for after being miſſed a fortnight, he was found hanging in an unfrequented part of the ſhip.

A Liſt of the Counties and Places in this kingdom which have petitioned Parliament for a reform in the expenditure of public money, and of the names of the Chairmen of Committees, with a ſtate of the Aſſociations and other proceedings adopted by ſeveral of the petitioning bodies.

N.B. Thoſe marked with an aſteriſk ſent Deputies to the Meeting in London laſt winter.

*Yorkſhire, aſſociated in ſupport, 1ſt, Of the objects of the petition. 2dly, Of a bill for at leaſt 100 additional county Members. 3dly, For ſhortening the duration of Parliament to a term not exceeding three years—Rev. Mr. Wyvill, Chairman.

*Eſſex, aſſociated on the ſame propoſitions as Yorkſhire—Sir Robert Smyth, Bart.

*Somerſetſhire, the ſame—Philip Stephens, Eſq;

*Surrey, the ſame—Sir Francis Vincent, Bart.

*Devonſhire, the ſame—Lord Viſcount Courtney.

*Buckinghamſhire, the ſame—Another Aſſociation alſo ſet on foot upon the firſt propoſition only—John Seare, Eſq.

*Hertfordſhire, aſſociated on the firſt propoſition adopted by Yorkſhire—Reſolved in favour of the 2d and 3d—Authoriſe a Deputation to compare plans—George Jennings, Eſq.

*Dorſetſhire, aſſociated on the firſt propoſition—Inſtruct their Members on the 2d and 3d—D. Parry, Eſq.

*Glouceſterſhire, Reſolve generally in favour of ſhort Parliaments and an equal repreſentation—Sir G O. Paul, Bart.

*Suſſex, Reſolve in favour of the three propoſitions of Yorkſhire—The Committee have a diſcretionary power to prepare a Plan of Aſſociation thereon—William Frankland, Eſq.

*Kent, Reſolve in favour of the three propoſitions of Yorkſhire—Lord Viſcount Mahon.

Bedfordſhire, Reſolve in favour of the third propoſition—The Committee have a diſcretionary power to prepare a Plan of Aſſociation thereon—W. Gery, Eſq.

Berkſhire, Reſolve in favour of the firſt and third propoſitions—Alſo, generally in favour of an equal repreſentation—Richard Smith, Eſq.

*Middleſex—James Townſend, Eſq.

*Huntingdonſhire—Richard Reynolds, Eſq.

*Cheſhire—Hon. William Tollemache.

*Hampſhire—John Richards, Eſq.

Wiltſhire—John Audrey, Eſq.

Norfolk—Edmund Rolfe, Eſq.

Cambridgeſhire—The Duke of Rutland.

Nottinghamſhire—The Duke of Portland.

Cumberland.

Derbyſhire.

Northamptonſhire, did not petition—Inſtructed their Members on the objects of the petition.

Suffolk.

Northumberland.

Flintſhire—Rev. Mr. Shipley.

Denbigh.

Brecknockſhire—Major Powell.

*London, aſſociated on the three propoſitions adopted by Yorkſhire.

*Weſtminſter, aſſociated on the firſt and ſecond propoſitions, and generally for ſhortening the duration of Parliaments—Hon. C. J. Fox.

York.

*Newcaſtle—A. Adams, Eſq.

*Nottingham—John Huthwaite, Eſq.

*Glouceſter—William Barrow, Eſq.

Briſtol.

Cambridge.

Hereford.

Reading.

Bridgewater—John Chubb, Eſq.

To the PRINTER.

SIR,

IN your paper, containing the intercepted letters from America, it is remarked, that "theſe letters came in *good time* for the Miniſter," who much wanted ſome ſuch vouchers for what he would make the people believe—that the next will be the laſt campaign. Give me leave to hint to your inattentive readers, that one circumſtance is wanting to make theſe vouchers adequate to the purpoſe, and that is *A Date*. Had the date affixed to the original letters appeared, the end of publiſhing them would have been defeated; for from thence it would appear that the letters refer *not* to the *preſent* ſtate of things in America, but to what *was* the ſtate of them *three years ago*.

From the mention of this undoubted fact, the public muſt view this as one of the moſt deſpicable artifices, by which even the preſent Miniſtry have attempted to deceive the nation. The cauſe muſt be bad indeed, which requires ſuch means of ſupport.

I am, &c.

W. W.

Monday, December

From the LONDON GAZETTE

St. James's, Dec. 9. The King has been pleaſed to appoint the Right Hon. Thomas Lord Grantham, the Hon. Robert Spencer, commonly called Lord Robert Spencer, the Right Hon. William Eden, the Hon Thomas De Grey Andrew Stuart, Edward Gibbon, Hans Sloane and Benjamin Langloiſ, Eſquires, to be his Majeſty's Commiſſioners for trade and plantations.

The King has been pleaſed to appoint Charles Middleton, Eſq. Sir John Williams, Knight Edmund Hunt, George Marſh, Timothy Brett William Palmer, and William Bateman, Eſqrs Sir Richard Temple, Bart. Edward Le Cras Samuel Wallis, Paul Henry Ourry, Henry Martin, and Charles Proby, Eſqrs. and Sir Andrew Snape Hammond, Knight, to be his Majeſty's Commiſſioners, in quality of principal officers of his Majeſty's Navy.

Vienna, Nov. 29. This evening, about nine o'clock, her Imperial Majeſty departed this life to the inexpreſſible grief of the Emperor, the Imperial family, and all their Imperial Majeſties ſubjects. Her illneſs, though but of ſhort duration, was exceedingly painful; ſhe bore it with the utmoſt patience, and met her approaching diſſolution with the greateſt piety, fortitude, and reſignation.

BANKRUPTS.

Robert Anſell, of Edward ſtreet, St. Mary-le-Bone carver and gilder, to ſurrender Dec. 12, 23, Jan. 20, Guildhall.

James Clarke, late of Starbrough, in Yorkſhire, maner, Dec. 12, 23, Jan. 20, at Guildhall, London.

John Barber, of Wedington, in Warwickſhire, miand dealer in coals, Dec. 16, 23, Jan. 20, at Guildha London.

Robert Crompton, of Mancheſter, in Lancaſhire, a Elias Crompton, of Lawrence lane, London, dealers, a partners, Dec. 16, 23, Jan. 23, at Guildhall, London.

George Swadon, now or late of Ratcliffe-row, St. Lu Middleſex, coal dealer, Dec. 12, 16, Jan. 20, at Guil hall.

John Weſton, of High-ſtreet, Southwark, glaſs-ſell Dec. 15, 26, Jan. 20, at Guildhall.

James George Snowden, of Holles-ſtreet, St. Geor Hanover-ſquare, ſtone-maſon, Dec. 15, 21, Jan. 20, Guildhall.

DIVIDENDS to be made.

Jan. 3. Edward Leppingwell Dodſon, of Caſtle Hedingham, Eſſex, hop-merchant, at the Cock, in Caſtle Hedingham.

Jan. 16, Wm. Meadows, of Cheapſide, ſilkman, Guildhall.

Jan. 22, James Fraſer, of St. George, Middleſex, marner, at Guildhall.

Jan. 16, (by adjournment from the 5th of Dec. inſt Thomas Law, of Whitechapel High-ſtreet, linen-draper at Guildhall.

Jan. 3. Randle Norris and Wm. Groſvenor, of Falcon ſquare, Aldersgate-ſtreet, at Guildhall.

Dec. 31. James Cookſon, now or late of the Minories linen-draper, at Guildhall.

CERTIFICATES to be granted

Dec. 30. Charles Wright, of the city of Cheſter, mercer Cooke Elliott, of Holborn, habrdaſher.

John Hyett, of Bevis-court, Baſinghall-ſtreet, hoſier.

LONDON.

We are aſſured that their Majeſties propoſe to reſide at Windſor during the courſe of the holydays, but the Levee and Court days will be obſerved at St. James's as uſual.

On Saturday a meſſenger was ſent from Lord Stormont's Office with diſpatches for Sir Robert Murray Keith, his Majeſty's Ambaſſador at the Court of Vienna.

On Saturday an expreſs arrived from Plymouth with advice, that one of the French privateers, which had done ſo much miſchief between that port and Falmouth, was taken by Admiral Hood, and ſent in there.

The reaſon given for Lord Cornwallis's retiring from North Carolina, is, that he may [illegible] tate Gen. Leſlie's operations.

Letters from Goree mention, that [illegible] French ſhip with 450 ſlaves on board, accidentally took fire on the coaſt of Senegal, by which all the crew, together with the ſlaves, were either drowned or periſhed in the flames.

Orders are given for a quantity of military ſtores to be got in readineſs to be ſhipped for Goree, and other ſettlements on the coaſt of Africa.

The runners of Miniſtry are following up the late good news from America with a number of private letters, reports, hearſays, &c. Amongſt the reſt of thoſe *probable* ſtories, it is circulated that General Washington is privately attached to the French intereſt, and that Congreſs is ſo ſenſible of this, that they are in the greateſt dilemma relative to the taking away his command from him.

Whatever may be the fate of America, one thing is certain, that during the continuance of this war, that country has been enriched with above *thirty millions* of Britiſh money.

The laſt diſpatches from Sir Henry Clinton, publiſhed in the London Gazette of December the 2d, notwithſtanding the bluſtering of Miniſtry, contain no great reaſons for exultation; but like unto moſt all other diſpatches from America, tend to prove the impracticability of ſubjugating that vaſt continent, and the neceſſity of abſolutely cloſing with ſome agreement with the Americans, to ſpare blood and treaſure, of which enough has been already laviſhed at the coſt of the people of England; for General Clinton tells us, that Waſhington has not detached a ſingle man, though he himſelf has detached General Leſlie with a conſiderable body; that Gates cannot have above 800 Continental troops with him; which by this time, for what Sir Henry knows, may be as many thouſands, including the militia; and that the French are adding fortifications to Rhode Iſland. All very true; but then conſider what diſtreſs is painted in Mr. A. Hamilton's intercepted epiſtle to Meſheck Weare, Eſq; Preſident of New Hampſhire. Phaw! have none of the Britiſh officers, or others, on our part, ſent over letters full as diſtreſſing; and in what view is Mr. Ferguſon's

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