

DERBY MERCURY.

THURSDAY, February 7. 1739. To be continu'd Weekly.

SATURDAY'S POST.

From the St. James's EVENING-POST, Jan. 31.

An Extract of a privat Letter from Paris.



ARDINAL de Fleury continues to shew the utmost Desire of reconciling Great Britain with Spain; he would very gladly add to the Glory he has already acquired of being instrumental in determining so important an Affair. In order to succeed therein, the Earl of Waldegrave has been invited to his House at Isis, who accordingly went there, and had several Conferences upon that Subject, the Substance of which was dispatched by the Ambassador to this Court. At one of these Conferences the Cardinal complain'd to the Earl, that no Reparation had yet been made for the Insult offer'd some Time ago to Count Cambis, at his House in London; tho' nothing more was required than to cause the Author of it to beg the Ambassador's Pardon. The Earl of Waldegrave said, by Way of Answer, to this Complaint, that the Offender, if an obdurate Person, could not, by the Laws of England, be forced to do this; but that any other Satisfaction which should be required, consistent with the Laws of that Kingdom, would certainly be given his Excellence.

I R E L A N D.

Dublin, Jan. 22. By Letters from the North we are assured, that the great Fresh Water Lake, call'd Lough Neigh, is entirely frozen over, and the Ice so very hard that several Persons walk'd directly across the Lough last Thursday from Montjoy-Castle, and other Places in the County of Tyrone, to the Market of Antrim, which is upwards of 20 Miles, and returned home next Morning on the Ice.

Last Week a great Number of People carrying a Corps over a Lough, on the Borders of the County of Galway and Mayo, near a Place called Con, the Ice broke and they were all lost, in the Sight of many Horsemen who rid round about.

The Right Hon. William Conolly, Esq; has ordered his Agent to distribute to the Value of 130 l. in Corn, Meal, &c. among his poor Tenants, during the Extremity of the Weather.

We hear there was 200 l. collected in St. Mary's Parish.

Saturday the Presb began again in our River, which was so hotly pursued that not one was left who could be found on board any Ships in the Harbour: Five Coiliers just come in were intirely stript of their Hands, the Master and a Boy only excepted in each Ship.

C O U N T R Y N E W S.

Newcastle, Jan. 26. The Frost continues here as severe as ever; and we hear that some of the Fire Engines in the Neighbourhood are froze up, and others are with great Difficulty kept going: That the Sharpness of the Air in some of the Coal-pits is not to be bore by the Workmen without a Fire at the Bottom: That an Accident lately happened by one of these Fires, at Tanfield Colliery near this Place; the Circumstances of which were, that the Fire being ordered to be put out by some Boys after the Workmen had left Work, they spread it abroad carelessly (and as it happen'd) amongst some Straw, which immediately took Fire; the Flame of which instantly catch'd hold of two Casks of Oil, standing very near the Place, which set Fire to the Coal, burnt with so much Violence, and rarified the Air to such a Degree, that by a plentiful Supply of fresh Air from 14 adjacent Pits, that Pit was changed into a most terrible bellowing Vulcano, thundering out Eruptions of hot Cynders of considerable Weight into the open Air, to an incredible Height and Distance. This Accident happened about two o'Clock on Friday the 12th Instant, and continued increasing for about seven Hours; and at nine o'Clock the Pits were all ordered to be covered close at the Top, which excluded the external Air, and happily extinguished the Flames; tho' we hear the Fire is not yet out. Several who attempted to put a Stop to this Fire narrowly escaped with their Lives.

One of the most remarkable Instances of the Intensity of the present Frost that we have heard of, is, that Windermere Water is frozen over with so strong Ice, that Drovers of Cattle and the heaviest Carriages may safely go over it. This Lake lies between Westmoreland and Lancashire, and is the largest in England, being above a Mile broad in many Places, and ten Miles long.

Salisbury, Jan. 28. Since our Collection for the Poor of this City, which amounted to 150 l. and which has been distributed amongst the poor Inhabitants; Peter Bathurst, Esq; one of our worthy Representatives, has been pleased to give for the Relief of the same 50 Guineas; Sir Jacob Bouverie, 50 l. Lord Bishop of Sarum, 30 l. Likewise a Legacy of Lord Windfor's, by Will, of 50 l. besides several other private Charities to the amount of above 20 l. So that more than 900 poor Families will be relieved by the aforesaid charitable Contributions.

L O N D O N, Jan. 31.

We hear from Staines, that the Wife of one Collet, a Tanner, who had seemingly been dead for three Days, and laid in her Coffin, just as they were going to nail her up, some of the Neighbours desired to see her, and putting the Lid aside, she opened her Eyes and spoke, to the great Surprize of all the Company.

Tuesday and the Day before, the Sum of 100 l. which was given by the Right Hon. the Lord Walpole, Auditor of the Exchequer, was distributed amongst several poor Families belonging to the Parish of St. Margaret's Westminster.

The same Day a great Boxing Match was fought at the great Booth at Tottenham Court, between the two noted Champions, Smallwood a Chairman, and Dinnack a Carman, and the latter was, by a Fall which dislocated his Collar-Bone, killed on the Spot. They endeavoured to bleed him, and used all proper Means, but to no Purpose.

On Monday last, about Five in the Mornings, a poor Woman was delivered in the open Street, near Castle street in the Park, Southwark. Her Offspring died soon after its Birth (as suppos'd) thro' the Severity of the Weather: The Account she gave of herself was, that she was turn'd out of her Lodging in Bishopsgate-street, at two o'Clock that Morning; a most inhuman Piece of Barbarity!

The Ticket, No. 41655, a Benefit of 10 l. and entitled also to 5000 l. as being the Last Drawn in the Bridge Lottery, is the Property of Mr. Joseph Arnold, an Attorney at Law at Gainsborough in Lincolnshire; which Ticket, with three others, was taken out for him by a Relation in Town; and two of the other Tickets were likewise Prizes.

On Tuesday Night last about Ten o'Clock, died suddenly in his Chair, at his House in Grosvenor-Square, the Right Hon. Richard Lumley, Earl of Scarborough, Viscount Waterford, in the Kingdom of Ireland, and Baron Lumley of Lumley in the County of York, Knight of the most Noble Order of the Garter, one of his Majesty's Most Hon. Privy-Council, and Colonel of the Second Regiment of Foot-Guards, Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the County of Northumberland, Vice-Admiral of the County of Durham, and one of the Governors of the Charter-House.

His Lordship was the same Day at the House of Peers in good Health, afterwards eat a hearty Dinner, and went out in the Evening to visit several Persons of Distinction.

By his Death the Honour and Estate (his Lordship dying without Issue) devolves to his Brother, Sir Thomas Lumley Sanderfon, Knight of the Bath, and Knight of the Shire for the County of Lincoln, now Earl of Scarborough, who fainted away in the House of Commons on Tuesday Night last, when the News was brought him of his Brother's sudden Death, and his Lordship now continues extremely ill; he had been confin'd to his Chamber with Sickness for three Weeks before.

Yesterday, being the Anniversary of the Martyrdom of King Charles I. the Rev. Father in God Thomas Lord Bishop of Bangor preached a most excellent Sermon on the Occasion before the Right Hon. the House of Lords, in Westminster-Abbey, from the 13th and 14th Verses of the 2d Chapter of the 1st Epistle of St. Peter, *Submit yourselves to every Ordinance of Man for the Lord's Sake*, &c. wherein, in a most beautiful and concise Manner, he laid down the End of Government and the relative Duties of Prince and People; and in the Conclusion took Notice of our present State, and with Pleasure observ'd the Unanimity of the Nation in their just Repentment of the Injuries receiv'd from an Enemy never signaliz'd for their Bravery, and earnestly exhorted the Continuance of Union at home as an infallible Rule to defeat our Foes abroad.

On the same Occasion the Rev. Mr. Whaley, Master of Peter-house College in Cambridge, preached before the Honourable House of Commons at St. Margaret's, Westminster, from St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews, Chap. xi. and the latter Part of the 4th Verse, *And by it he being dead, yet speaketh*:

Before the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen at St. Paul's, the Rev. Mr. Drewer likewise made an eloquent Discourse, suitable to the Occasion, from the 4th Chap. of Amos and the 12th Verse.

On Tuesday last Mr. Heafell, a Cornfactor, and Mr. Honeth, a Mealman, both of Croydon, going from London, were robbed by two Footpads near the said Town of near 80 l. but the Fellows being pursued, one of them was taken, and committed to the County Jail.

Price TWO-PENCE.

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