

Collar of the Order round the Knight's Neck ; and, desiring him to rise; addressed him in a very elegant Speech in Persian, which his European Secretary read in English, as follows :

" His most Gracious and most Excellent Majesty, the most Illustrious King of Great Britain, having, upon so many Occasions, honoured me with particular Marks of His Royal Friendship : And having thought proper to appoint me, by especial Commission, to represent His most Sacred Person, as Sovereign, on the present Occasion : Give Me Leave to tell you, Sir, His Minister Plenipotentiary in India, and Commander in Chief of His Ships in these Seas, that it makes me exceedingly happy to have this Opportunity of investing you with the Ensigns of the most Honourable Order of the Bath, which is conferred upon you as a Mark of Royal Approbation from the King your Master. At the same Time, I desire that you will bear Witness to the high Respect, Gratitude, and Reverence, with which I receive every Mark of distinguishing Friendship, which proceeds from His Illustrious Majesty."

To which Sir John returned the following Answer, in English :

" Penetrated with Gratitude for the high Honours my most gracious Sovereign has been pleased to confer on me, it makes my Happiness inexpressibly complete, to have the Honour of receiving such Marks of Royal Favour from the Hands of your Highness. Ever since I have had the Honour of residing near your Highness's Durbar, I have had the Happiness of being Witness to your Highness's sincere Attachment to the Person and Family of the King my most gracious Master, and with what Respect and Veneration you have, at all Times, received whatever proceeded from His Illustrious Majesty : Suffer me then, Sir, to assure your Highness, that an Account of these very honourable Marks of Respect and Attention shall be faithfully transmitted to the Royal Presence."

This was, at the same Time, translated to the Nabob in Persian, by one of his Interpreters, His Majesty's Ships saluting with Nineteen Guns each.

The Ceremony being ended, Sir John was conducted back to the Garden by the two young Princes, while some Battalion Guns of the Nabob's, which had been drawn up on the Right of the Line, saluted, as he pass'd. Afterwards Sir John subscribed the following Oath, in the Presence of Four Councillors of Fort St. George, who had witnessed the Ceremony : " I John Lindsay, Knight, His Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary in India, &c. do promise to observe the Statutes of the most Honourable Order of the Bath, in every Point and Particular."

In the Evening, the Nabob gave a most elegant Entertainment to the whole Settlement, at his House in St. Thomé, a Village near Madras. The Illuminations were exceedingly magnificent. The Walls of the Garden, about twenty Feet high, forming a Square of above two hundred Yards, were all covered with Lamps, beautifully disposed, and not less than Two hundred and twenty thousand in Number. On one Side appeared, in full Characters, His Majesty George the Third, and, at some Distance from it, his Excellency Sir John Lindsay ; on all the rest of the Walls, the Lamps were so arranged as to represent a Variety of curious Figures, executed in a very masterly Manner.

The Fireworks displayed on this Occasion were remarkable for their Variety and Grandeur. The Company were entertained with Dancing and Musick, after the Manner of the Country, in a large Pandahl, 120 Feet square, and about 30 Feet high, which had been built for the Wedding of his Highness's eldest Son, who sat here on the Musnud all the Time, receiving Compliments after their Manner. This also was finely illuminated with an immense Number of Lights. Supper was

given to Three or Four Hundred People at two very large Tables ; and the Evening concluded with a splendid Ball. Upon the Whole, this Entertainment, in Elegance and Magnificence, greatly exceeded the Expectations of every one present.

*Turin, August 28.* We have had the hottest Summer here that has been felt for many Years ; and the Want of Rain for above two Months has entirely destroyed the latter Harvest. A Disemper broke out some Time since amongst the Horned Cattle in Savoy, but it is now entirely stopped. The Wheat Harvest in general has been very bad all over Italy ; and in Sicily it has almost entirely failed.

*Cumberland-House, September 12.*

This Day the Count de Pignatelli, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of the Two Sicilies, had a Private Audience of his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland.

To which he was introduced by Stephen Cottrell, Esq; Assistant Master of the Ceremonies.

### AVERAGE PRICES of CORN,

From August 26, to August 31, 1771.

By the Standard WINCHESTER Bushel of Eight Gallons.

	Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
London,	5	9	4	1	3	0	2	3	3	3

	COUNTIES INLAND.									
	Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Middlesex,	6	5	—	—	3	5	2	5	3	5
Surrey,	5	10	4	0	—	—	2	8	4	0
Hertford,	6	1	—	—	—	—	2	6	3	11
Bedford,	6	1	4	8	3	0	2	4	3	6
Cambridge,	5	8	4	0	—	—	2	3	3	3
Huntingdon,	6	0	—	—	3	2	2	6	3	7
Northampton,	6	9	4	11	3	6	2	3	3	11
Rutland,	6	9	—	—	3	8	—	—	—	—
Leicester,	6	11	—	—	4	2	2	6	4	6
Nottingham,	6	7	5	0	3	9	2	3	4	5
Derby,	7	4	—	—	—	—	2	9	4	10
Stafford,	7	3	5	0	3	3	2	8	4	5
Salop,	6	11	4	10	3	8	2	2	4	5
Hereford,	6	0	—	—	3	1	2	0	2	10
Worcester,	7	2	4	6	4	0	2	8	4	3
Warwick,	6	6	—	—	3	8	2	8	4	6
Gloucester,	6	8	—	—	3	0	2	4	4	0
Wilts,	6	3	—	—	3	2	2	4	4	2
Berks,	6	3	—	—	—	—	2	5	3	5
Oxford,	6	7	—	—	3	2	2	6	3	7
Bucks,	6	5	—	—	3	3	2	5	3	7
Average,	6	5	4	6	3	5	2	5	3	11

	COUNTIES upon the COAST.									
	Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Essex,	5	4	4	3	3	2	2	4	3	3
Suffolk,	5	2	3	11	2	11	2	3	3	0
Norfolk,	5	6	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—
Lincoln,	6	11	5	1	3	5	1	11	3	10
York,	6	9	5	0	3	0	2	4	3	9
Durham,	6	7	5	0	—	—	2	7	4	0
Northumberland,	5	7	4	4	3	4	2	5	3	7
Cumberland,	6	11	4	8	3	0	2	6	4	6
Westmorland,	6	8	—	—	4	0	2	6	3	11
Lancashire,	6	10	—	—	3	9	2	5	3	7
Cheshire,	7	6	—	—	4	10	2	3	—	—
Monmouth,	6	3	—	—	3	0	2	1	—	—
Somerset,	6	0	3	3	3	0	2	0	3	5
Devon,	5	5	—	—	2	10	1	10	—	—
Cornwall,	5	7	—	—	3	3	1	11	—	—
Dorset,	6	2	—	—	3	0	2	6	4	4
Hampshire,	5	8	—	—	3	1	2	4	3	4
Suffex,	5	0	—	—	2	8	2	4	3	9
Kent,	5	2	—	—	3	5	2	7	3	3
Average,	6	0	4	5	3	4	2	3	3	8

W A L E S.										
North Wales,	6	9	5	11	4	0	2	2	5	3
South Wales,	5	10	4	5	3	6	1	9	3	4

GENERAL AVERAGE										
per Bushel,	6	2	4	6	3	5	2	4	4	0
per Quarter,	49	4	30	0	27	4	18	8	32	0

Part of SCOTLAND.										
Wheat.	5	3	1	2	6	2	4	3	7	10
Rye.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Barley.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oats.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Beans.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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