THURSDAY's POST.

LONDON, April 10.

THIS Day arrived the Mails from Flanders, in which it is said that Spain has made a Demand on France of the Assistance of 24,000 Men, conformably to the Family Compact, entered into in 1756, with a Threat, that unless the Demand be immediately complied with, the said Compact will be considered as entirely broken.

The Spanish Armaments begin to give a very serious Turn to our political Deliberations, as the Allegation of its being intended to oppose the Progress of the Russian Fleet into the Mediterranean, seems to have no Weight. It is said that Orders are given for hiring Tenders to be in Preparation towards manning the Ships for a Fleet of Observation.

Yesterday there was a Levee at St. James's, at which were present his Majesty, the Dukes of Dorset, Northumberland, &c. the Secretaries of State; Marquisses of Lothian, Titchfield, Stafford, &c. Earl of Salisbury; Lords Camden and Heathfield; Mr. Pitt; the Prince De la Tour and Taxis; all the foreign Ministers, &c. &c. &c. There was no Council. The Duke of Dorset and Marquis of Stafford had Closet Conferences till Five o'Clock, when his Majesty returned to the Queen's Palace, and in the Evening the Royal Family went to the Concert of Ancient Musick.

Soon as the Levee was over Yesterday, a Chapter of the Most Noble Order of the Garter was held, for the Purpose of investing his Grace the Duke of Dorset, and his Grace the Duke of Northumberland, with the Blue Ribbon.

Their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales, Duke of York, Duke of Gloucester, Duke of Cumberland, Marquis of Stafford, and some other Knights, assisted at the Investment.

The Ceremony consisted of a Procession of Garter King at Arms, the Usher of the Black Rod, and the Knights, two and two, from the King's Closet to the Presence Chamber, where the two Dukes were first knighted, and then invested by the Sovereign with the Insignia of the Order. After which the Procession returned in the same Manner.

The Whole lasted about Half an Hour. The only Ladies present were the Dutchess of Northumberland and her Sister.

The Settling at the Stock Exchange, for the April Account, was Yesterday. The Stocks were rather flat in Consequence of the Number of *Bulls* who were obliged to sell again the Stock they had bought on Speculation; and the large Quantity brought to Market, on that Account, fell the Price about a Quarter per Cent.

The Surplus of the Taxes this Year is said to be 589,000 l. independent of the appropriated annual Million.

Immense in the Amounts are the Duties received last Year upon West India Productions were, those of the present Year are expected to produce, in Consequence of the Exuberance of the Crops, more by Two Hundred Thousand Pounds.

The late Sales at the India-House amounted to above 800,000 l. on the Company's Account, besides above 200,000 l. entered Good, the private Property of the Officers, making together more than a Million Sterling, paid in hard Cash.

Yesterday Morning came on the Ballot for six Directors for the East India Company, in the Room of those who go out annually by Rotation. About a Quarter after Eleven o'Clock in the Evening the Scrutineers declared the Number to be,

For Abraham Robarts, Esq.	1045
John Michie, Esq.	1021
George Tatem, Esq.	978
Thomas Parry, Esq.	856
John Woodhouse, Esq.	830
Charles Mills, Esq.	793
David Scott, Esq.	729

The first six Gentlemen, who are duly elected were upon the Proprietor's List, David Scott, Esq. was the only new Candidate.

Tuesday last came on the Election of Governor and Deputy-Governor of the Bank of England for the Year ensuing, when Edward Darrel, Esq. was chosen Governor, and Mark Weyland, Esq. Deputy Governor.

And Yesterday came on the Election of 24 Directors, when the following Gentlemen were chosen, viz.

Samuel Beachcroft, Esq.	Joseph Nutt, Esq.
Daniel Booth, Esq.	Isaac Osborne, Esq.
Tho. Boddington, Esq.	Edward Payne, Esq.
Roger Boehm, Esq.	George Peters, Esq.
Sam. Bosanquet, Esq.	Christ. Puller, Esq.
Thomas Dea, Esq.	Thomas Raikes, Esq.
William Ewer, Esq.	William Snell, Esq.
Peter Gaussen, Esq.	P. I. Thelusson, Esq.
John Harrison, Esq.	Samuel Thornton, Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	Brook Watson, Esq.
Jeb Mathew, Esq.	Benj. Winthrop, Esq.
Richard Neave, Esq.	Moses Yeldham, Esq.

The House of Commons of Ireland has resolved to open the grand Committee of Courts of Justice, immediately after the next Meeting of the House, on the 11th, for the Purpose of taking into Consideration the Conduct of one of the Judges of that Kingdom, who is charged, by common Report, with having acted, while on the Circuit, in a Manner unbecoming the Character of an impartial Distributor of Justice.

This Report is to be brought forward in the Shape of a regular Complaint, by Sir Henry Harstonge, before the Committee or Courts of Justice.

The Charge is said to be, that the learned Judge, who is the Subject of the Complaint, refused, from improper Motives, to try a Record that was made up for Trial.

Yesterday two Cart-Loads of Books were brought from the East India House, to Westminster Hall, to be ready when wanted by the Managers of the House of Commons, on the Trial of Mr. Hastings, which was resumed this Day.

A Messenger was also sent off to Hampton-Court, with an Order for the Attendance of Colonel Gardner, to give Evidence on the above Trial.

The Duke of Bedford has purchased Gunpowder (which was bought in at the late Col. O'Kelly's Sale for 1400 Guineas) for 3000 Guineas; and the Gentlemen of the Turf say he is worth the Money.

Shocking Accounts are given of the Plague on the Barbary Coast: Persons are seized with a shivering, which is succeeded by a Fever; but others are not attacked by any Fever at all; purple Spots appear on them without any previous Symptom, which certainly terminate in Death: Few, however, have been afflicted in this manner. The Emperor of Morocco has had a large Supply of Lemons from Spain, which are deemed of great Efficacy in this dreadful Disorder.

BERKSHIRE MILITIA.

WHEREAS the Right Honourable Lord *Craven*, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Berks, has ordered the Regiment of Militia for the said County to be drawn out and assembled at Reading, in the said County, on Monday the twelfth Day of May next, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon; to be there trained and exercised for twenty-eight Days.

NOTICE is hereby given,

That every Militia-Man (not labouring under any Infirmity incapacitating him) who shall not appear at the above-mentioned Time and Place appointed for annual Exercise, according to the Direction of the Act of Parliament, shall be deemed a Deserter, and punished accordingly; and if not taken until after the Time of such Exercise, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of TWENTY POUNDS, or be committed to the Common Goal for the Space of Six Months, or until he shall have paid the said Penalty.

JAMES PAYN, Clerk of the General Meetings.

Maidenhead, 18th March, 1788.

Those Militia-men who were not exercised last Year, will take Notice, that they are to attend as well as those who were.

LINENDRAPERY, MERCERY, HABERDASHERY, &c.

RICHARD WOOTTEN,

HIGH STREET, OXFORD,

HAVING This Day opened his Shop, begs Leave to inform his Friends and the Publick in general, that he has purchased very considerably, and has ready for their Inspection a very large and valuable Assortment of Goods; consisting of Russia and Lancashire Linens, Irish Hollands and Sheetings; Cambricks and Muslins of every Denomination; Table Linen, Dimities, Muslinets, printed Cottons and Callicoes in great Abundance; Ribbons, Gauzes, Modes, Persians, Hosiery, and Gloves, with every other Article in the above Branches. He ventures to solicit the Attention of his Friends, upon a Presumption that it is not in the Power of any one to do more for their Interest.

The greatest Choice of Black Blond and Thread Lace. Irish Linens imported.

☞ FUNERALS Furnished.

Shopkeepers served with the best of Goods, and equally low with any House in the Trade.

S. CARSON,

WINE AND BRANDY DEALER.

RETURNS his sincere Thanks to his Friends and the Publick in general for the Encouragement he has so liberally experienced since his Commencement in Business, and begs Leave to inform them, that he is removed to a commodious House with extensive Vaults, in the Old Butcher Row, opposite the Post Office, in Oxford, (late Mr. Folker's, Upholder,) where he is determined to merit the Continuance of their Favours by the Goodness in Quality of his Wines and Liquors, which he means to sell on the most fair and reasonable Terms.

N. B. Cordial Gin, and all Sorts of Compounds as usual.

WARWICKSHIRE.

TO be SOLD by AUCTION, At the Shakespeare Inn, Stratford upon Avon, on Thursday the First Day of May next, unless previously disposed of by Private Contract, of which proper Notice will be given in this Paper,—A very eligible inclosed FREEHOLD ESTATE, situate at Bishopton, about two Miles from Stratford upon Avon, adjoining the Turnpike Road to Birmingham, and consisting of a Messuage and upwards of ninety-six Acres of good Arable, Meadow, and Pasture Land; lett to an unexceptionable Tenant from Year to Year.

Also, at the same Time, a very convenient FREEHOLD HOUSE, eligibly situated in the High Street, in Stratford, contiguous to the Market, with a Garden, Malthouse, and extensive Out-buildings, lately occupied by Mr. Grubb.

For further Particulars apply to Mr. C. H. Hunt, Attorney at Law, Stratford upon Avon, who has a Plan of the Estate.

WARWICKSHIRE.

WILL be to be SOLD, some Time in June next, of which due Notice will be given in this Paper,—A very desirable FREEHOLD ESTATE, consisting of a Farm House, Homestall, and convenient Out-buildings, together with four Closes of Meadow and Pasture Land thereto adjoining and belonging, containing, by Estimation, about thirty-six Acres, situate in the Parish of Priors Hardwick, in the County of Warwick; now lett to Mr. William Parker on Lease, five Years of which were unexpired at Lady Day last, at the yearly Rent of 34 l.

Priors Hardwick is situate four Miles from Southam, eight from Daventry, and ten from Banbury, all good Market Towns.

For a View of the Premisses apply to the Tenant, the said Mr. Parker; and for further Particulars apply to Mr. William Huff, of Leek Wootton, near Warwick; or to Mr. William Tibbits, Attorney, in Warwick.

N. B. Several large and small Sums of Money may be had on Mortgage, by applying to the said Mr. Tibbits.

SHIPSTON UPON STOWER.

PROVIDENT SOCIETIES appearing, not only from Example but Experience, to be attended with many Circumstances to recommend them in general, it is proposed to establish one on an extensive and liberal Plan, the Meetings thereof to be held at the BELL Inn in this Town, Monthly or oftner, as shall be hereafter agreed upon.

A great Number of Persons have already given in their Names, and expressed their Desire of becoming Members hereof; and all such others as shall be inclined so to do, will please to send their Names to Mr. Richard Parry, at the said Inn, as soon as convenient.

N. B. The First General Meeting of this Society will be held at the said Inn, on Monday the 21st Day of April, 1788, when the Particulars of the Articles, and other general Matters relative thereto, will be adjusted; at which Meeting all Persons wishing to become Members hereof, are requested to attend themselves, or send their Names and Places of Abode.

TO be SOLD by PRIVATE CONTRACT, either together or in Parcels,—Several COPYHOLD ESTATES, held of the Manor of Eastleach Martin, otherwise Botherop, in the County of Gloucester, viz.

FIFIELD FARM, consisting of Arable, Meadow and Pasture, with a Messuage, Barns and Buildings, in the Occupation of Mr. John Wheeler, at the yearly Rent of 295 l. 4s.

PACKER's FARM, consisting of Arable, Meadow and Pasture, with a Messuage and other Farm-Buildings, also in the Occupation of the said John Wheeler of 44 l. and

The DOWN FARM, being Arable and Down Land, with a House, Barn and Stable, in the Occupation of Mr. George Longford, at the yearly Rent of 55 l.

The above Farms are very compact, Tithe free, and commodiously divided and inclosed; and are situate near Burford Downs, about five Miles from Burford, three from Fairford, four from Leachlade, and eleven from Cirencester.

The said Farms will be granted to a Purchaser, according to the Custom of the said Manor, viz. for Three Lives in Possession and Three in Reversion, subject only to several Tithe-Rents fixed by Act of Parliament, amounting together to 43 l. 3s. 2d. and to certain Chief-Rents, amounting together to 4 l. 7s. 9d. per Annum.

N. B. The Purchaser may name the Lives; and the Widow of every Lifeholder dying possessed, will be intitled to her Free-Bench, according to the Custom of the Manor.

For Particulars, &c. enquire of Mr. Stephens, of Kencot, near Burford; or of Mr. Nash, at Fifield, who will shew the Premisses.

TO be SOLD by AUCTION,

By J. HOLIDAY,

On Wednesday the 23d Day of April, 1788, at the White Hart Inn in Wheatley, within Five Miles of Oxford, A Large Quantity of HOUSHOLD FURNITURE, the Property of a Nobleman in the Neighbourhood; comprising Bedsteads and Furniture, Feather-beds and Bedding, painted and other Chairs, with a Variety of Kitchen Requisites, Brewing Coppers, &c. A large Assortment of fine old Paintings, many done in the Year 1500; with Eight Pieces of Tapestry, representing the Siege of Troy, and other Representations.—The Whole may be Viewed the Day preceding and Morning of Sale, till Ten o'Clock.——Catalogues will be delivered in due Time, at the Inns in the neighbouring Towns; at Mr. Jackson's, Printer, in Oxford; and by the Auctioneer, in Wheatley.

WANTED to Rent, in Oxfordshire, or one of the ajoining Counties,—A small neat HOUSE, consisting of two Parlours, three or four Bed Chambers, and Garrets, with a Garden, Stable, and from ten to twenty Acres of Grass Ground contiguous thereto; situated in a Village, or the Skirt of a Market Town. Any Person answering this Advertisement will be particular in describing the Size and Situation of the House, the Rent expected, Number of Windows, Amount of Poor Sess, or other Out-goings.

Letters directed (Post paid) for H. O. at the Printer's of this Paper, will, if approved, be immediately attended to.

N. B. No Objection to a Parsonage House.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

ALL Persons who stand indebted to the late THOMAS LAWRANCE, of Abingdon, in the County of Berks, Bargemaster, deceased, are desired to pay the same immediately into the Hands of Mr. Edward Child, of Abingdon aforesaid, Common Brewer, the Administrator; or to Mr. Thomas Nash, Attorney at Law, at Abingdon aforesaid, who is duly authorised to receive the same, or they will be sued without further Notice. *Abingdon, April 3, 1788.*

POOR.

TO be LETT to FARM on Friday the 25th Day of April, 1788, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, at a Vestry to be held in the Parish Church of Chepping Wycombe, Bucks,—The POOR of the said Parish of Chepping Wycombe, for one Year from the First Day of May, 1788. Any Person or Persons inclined to undertake the Cloathing, Maintaining, and Keeping the said Poor, are desired to deliver in their Proposals, in Writing, at any Time before the said 25th Day of April, to JOHN NASH,

Wycombe, April 3, 1788. Vestry Clerk.

ABINGDON.

WILLIAM JONES, Surgeon, Apothecary, and Man-Midwife, takes this Opportunity of informing his Friends and the Publick, that he is removed from the Ock Street to another House in the High Street, Abingdon, opposite the King's Head Inn, where he purposes to carry on his Business in the several Branches, and hopes for a Continuance of the generous Patronage of his many very respectable Friends.

He also informs them, he intends to avail himself of the convenient Situation of his Shop, and to sell, as a DRUGGIST, all Kinds of Medicines at their usual Retail Prices.

BANBURY, April 4, 1788.

NOW SELLING OFF,—All the Entire STOCK in TRADE of ANN O'DONNELL, in the Red Lion-Street: Consisting of Irish Linens, Printed Cottons and Linens of the newest Fashions, Muslins, Lawns, Lace, Dimities, Velverets, Corderoys, Fustians, Silk and other Handkerchiefs, Mens and Womens Cotton, Thread, and Worsted Hose; together with a Variety of other Articles in the Drapery, Millinery, Hosiery and Haberdashery Line, at a very reduced Price. She begs the Favour of her Friends and the Publick in general for their early Attendance, as the Whole is intended to be sold as soon as possible.

N. B. Mrs. O'Donnell proposes letting her House and Shop, situated in the Centre of the Red Lion-Street, well adapted for a Draper, Milliner, or Salesman. Any Person desirous of taking the House, and purchasing the Whole or Part of the Stock, is desired to apply to Mrs. O'Donnell. If lett to a Person in her Business, she will recommend them to her Customers; and the Premisses may be entered on directly, as her Houshold Furniture will be sold by Auction.

☞ All Persons indebted to the above are requested forthwith to settle their Accounts; and all to whom she stands indebted are desired to send their Accounts, that they may be discharged.

CRICKLEY-HILL TURNPIKE.

NOTICE is hereby given, That a Meeting of the Trustees of the Gloucestershire District of the Turnpike Road leading from the Top of Crickley-Hill, in the County of Gloucester, to Campsfield, in the County of Oxford, will be held on Friday the 18th Day of April next, at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, at the House of Charles Gillett, called New Barn, in the Parish of Farmington, in the County of Gloucester.

March 26, 1788. W. STEPHENS, Clerk.

Bath, Bristol, and Oxford MAIL COACHES,

Removed from the Crofs Inn, *to the* Angel Inn, OXFORD,

SET out from the above Inn every Morning, precisely at Five o'Clock, through Farringdon, Leachlade, Cirencester, Tetbury, &c. and return from the Bath Tavern, Bristol, and the White Hart, Bath, every Day.—Fare as usual.

Performed by JOHN WEEKS, Bristol,
ELISHA PICKWICK, Bath,
JOSEPH SPERINCK, and WILLIAM COSTAR, } Oxford.

BELL SAVAGE INN, LUDGATE-HILL, LONDON.

CIRENCESTER, HAMPTON, and STROUDWATER COACH,

By Way of Abingdon, Farringdon, &c.

WILL set out from the Golden Hart Inn, Stroud, every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday Afternoon, at Three o'Clock, to the above Inn, London; and return from thence every Monday, Wednesday and Friday Evening, at Six o'Clock. Also the

CIRENCESTER and TETBURY POST COACH,

Will set out from the above Inn, London, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday Morning, at Four o'Clock, to the Three Cups, Tetbury; and will return from thence every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday Morning at Four o'Clock, and from the Swan Inn, Cirencester, at Five o'Clock.—Fares as usual.

Performed by PHILLIPS, HARDER, and Co.

The Proprietors will not be accountable for Parcels or Packages (if lost) above the Value of Five Pounds, unless entered and paid for as such.

WORCESTER, April 7, 1788.

CRITIC will COVER this SEASON, AT Mr. William Watton's, at the Britannia, in Dolday, at Two Guineas a Mare, and Half a Crown. He was got by Match'em, his Dam by White-Nose.

N. B. Good Grass for Mares, and proper Care taken of them.

PUMPKIN

COVERS this Season at Witley, near the Hundred-House, in the County of Worcester, at Three Guineas a Mare, and a Crown the Groom; the Money to be paid at the Time of Covering, or when the Mares are taken away.

Pumpkin was got by Match'em, his Dam by Squirt, his Grand Dam by Mogul (own Brother to Babram) his Great Grand Dam by Bay Bolton; she was called Camilla; his Great Great Grand Dam by Mr. Pullein's Chesnut Arabian, (she was called Old Lady, and was the Grand Dam of the Bolton Starling) his Great Great Great Grand Dam by Rockwood, his Great Great Great Great Grand Dam by Bustler.

N. B. Pumpkin is own Brother to Maiden Purity, which i the Dam of Rockingham, and many other good Racers; his Dam was likewise the Dam of Virgin, Miracle, and Dido, all got by Changeling, own Brother to Match'em.

*** Grass for Mares at Four Shillings per Week, and proper Care taken of them.

Bristol and Oxford Original POST COACHES,

CONTINUE to run from the Crofs Inn, Oxford, to the White Lion, Broad Street, Bristol.—Fare as usual.

Crofs Inn, April 12, 1788.

INOCULATION.

MR. SUTTON informs the Public, his Houses in Beckley continue open for the Reception of Persons under Inoculation. Families inoculated at their own Houses on the usual Terms; and Parish Poor at Half a Crown each.

CHIPPING CAMPDEN, GLOCESTERSHIRE.

RICHARD KEYTE, of Campden, having lately entered on that well known Inn, called the Green Dragon, in Campden aforesaid, being a desirable roomy Place, entertainable any Time for fifty Horses; he, the said Richard Keyte, informs his Friends and the Publick at large, that he will be doing every Thing to merit their Esteem, with agreeable Accommodation; pledging himself, that no one Thing on his Part shall be wanting to make every Thing agreeable to his Friends for their Favours, being, at Command, their most obedient humble Servant, RICHARD KEYTE.

N. B. Any Person desirous to enter into the Baking Line of Business, may meet with a Bakehouse and a suitable Part adjoining thereunto for the said Business, by applying to Richard Keyte as above, who will treat for the same.

BICESTER PROVIDENT SOCIETY,

Established the 5th Day of April, 1788,

For the Benefit of Survivors at the End of Seven Years,

Held at the CROWN Inn, in Bicester aforesaid;

The Terms are as follow:

THAT Six-Pence per Week be paid by every Person becoming a Member of this Society, which is to be considered as one Share; and that as many Six-Pences as each Member shall chuse to pay, so many Shares of the Dividend he or she will be entitled to at the Expiration of the Seven Years; and that an additional Six-pence per Quarter be paid by each Member, in order to discharge all Expences. That the Capital be invested in the Publick Funds, in the Name of the Treasurers. The Interest to be applied, from to Time to Time, to the Increase of the Capital. Books for the Admission of Members to remain open Three Months, or longer, at the Discretion of the Treasurers and Committee, but to be finally closed on the 5th Day of April, 1789. Meetings to be held monthly.

Any Person or Persons desirous of becoming a Member of this Society, is desired to apply to Mr. Honnor, at the Crown Inn; or to Isaac Clark, Secretary to the said Society.

The next Meeting for the Admission of Members will be held at the above Place, on Monday the 15th of April Instant.

Mr. JOHN KIRBY,
Mr. THOMAS READING,
Mr. GEORGE OSMOND, } Treasurers.

ISAAC CLARK, Secretary.

SHIPSTON UPON STOWER.

R. PARRY takes this Method of informing his Friends and the Publick, that he hath just taken and entered upon the BELL Inn, in Shipston aforesaid, with the Stock, &c. late in the Possession of Mr. John Smith, where he hopes to continue the Favours of his Friends in particular, and the Public in general; which will be esteemed an Obligation conferred on their most obedient and very humble Servant,

R. PARRY.

☞ Neat Post Chaises, &c.

N. B. R. PARRY having, in Consequence of taking to the said Inn, given up some Engagements he was before concerned in, he presumes to say, he is now much more at Liberty to attend to his Business as an Auctioneer, and to wait on his Friends as Agent to the Phœnix Company, for their Orders to insure from Loss by Fire, &c.

At the THREE PIGEONS, adjoining the TOWN HALL, OXFORD,

RICHARD and JOSEPH GRAHAM and Co. beg Leave to inform their Friends and the Publick, that they have laid in a large and good Assortment of every Article in the Linen Drapery, Mercery, Hosiery, Haberdashery, and Millinery Businesses, which they are now selling for Ready Money, at the lowest London Prices.

Having engaged a Person from one of the first Houses in London in the Millinery Branch, and entered into a Connection from whence they will be constantly supplied with every new and fashionable Article the very Day it appears in Town, they trust by their strict Attention to the Orders of those Ladies who will do them the Favour to make Trial, to give the utmost Satisfaction.

German Cotton for Netting, and every other Article in the small Haberdashery.

Great Variety of Gauze Caps; Mode, and other Cloaks; Hats and Bonnets of their own making, from the newest Patterns.

Silk and Sattin, and all Sorts of Stuff and Callimanco quilted Petticoats.

A complete Assortment of Child Bed Linen: This Article in particular they flatter themselves they have it in their Power to render much under the usual Prices, and thereby doubt not to merit Encouragement.

Country Shopkeepers supplied on the most advantageous Terms. Funerals Furnished.

A PROVIDENT SOCIETY,

Established FEBRUARY the 27th, 1788,

Held at the House of Mr. WILLIAM DRY, at the King's-Head and Bell, Abingdon, Berks,

WILLIAM, TOMKINS, Esq; Treasurer.
Mr. EDWARD CHILD,
Mr. WILLIAM TOMKINS, jun. } Trustees.

THE Publick are hereby informed, That a Society under the Name of the PROVIDENT SOCIETY, for the Benefit of Survivors, at the Expiration of Seven Years, from the 27th Day of February, 1788, is established.

The real Benefit arising from Provident Societies in general, entirely depend on the purchasing of Stock, and the Sum expended in conducting the Business. How far this Society has succeeded in endeavouring to establish a Plan for the mutual Benefit of the Whole, the following Abstract of their Articles, and the Expence by which it is supported, is submitted to the Publick.

That every Member subscribe Six-pence per Week for each Share; and any Member may subscribe for two or more Shares, and will receive a Dividend to each Subscription.

That all Fines, Forfeits, and Premiums arising from Defaulters, to be added to the Society's Stock.

That Two-pence per Month be paid by every Member to defray the Expences of Committees, Books, Advertisements, and the different Securities given by the Trustees.

That Ten Shillings be allowed the Committee (consisting of Twelve Members and the Secretary) to be spent at their Meetings, the second and last Wednesday in every Month, whose Expenditures shall not exceed Twelve Pounds per Annum.

That the Secretary have Three-pence per Quarter of each Member, from the Commencement to the End of the First Year, when his Salary shall be finally fixed at the Discretion of the present and succeeding Committees.

That the Surplus of the Pence, after defraying the above Expence (and which from the daily Increase of Members will be very considerable) will be added to the Stock; it being the determined Resolution of this Society to conduct the Business on the most frugal Terms that it will possibly admit of, agreeable to its Institution.

Persons wishing to become Members of this Society may be admitted, by applying to Robert Coldrey, jun. at the Phœnix Fire-Office, in the High-Street, Abingdon, or at Mr. William Dry's, at the King's Head and Bell.

Persons admitted after the First Quarter to pay a Fine of One Shilling each Share, till the last Wednesday in February 1789, when the Books will finally close. The Whole Year's Pay of each Member will be One Pound Nine Shillings.

Rules and Orders may be had gratis, by every Member on Admission. ROBERT COLDREY, jun. Secretary.

☞ This Society already consists of upwards of One Hundred and Fifty Members. *Abingdon, April 10, 1788.*

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