Wednesday's, Thursday's, and Friday's Posts.

From Tuesday's London Gazette.

THE King has appointed the Hon. Algernon Percy, to be his Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary to the Confederated Swiss Cantons; H. C. J. Hamilton, Esq. to be Secretary to his Majesty's Embassy at Paris; and the Hon. John Bloomfield, to be Secretary to his Majesty Legation at Stutgardt.

Bankrupts.

Thomas Batten, of Great Richfield-street, tailor.—Theodosius Dalley and Thomas Bush, of Nottingham, and of Beeston, Notts, lace-manufacturers.—Samuel Farmer, of Birmingham, glass toy maker.—William Chenery, of Bunwell, Norfolk, coal-merchant.—William Millington, Shrewsbury, carpenter.

LONDON.

The most alarming accounts from Knole-park were received in town on Monday, stating that the Duchess of Dorset had been seized with a stroke of apoplexy early in the morning. We have since heard that her Grace expired on Monday night at 11 o'clock.

It appears from a Quebec paper that the four *Canadian Chiefs*, who a few months ago visited the King, are low Canadian pedlars! His Majesty being gold medallions about their necks, presenting them with his portrait, and they afterwards ate and drank at the Royal table!

Sherborne Wool Fair was numerously attended last week by buyers, who seemed anxious to buy at from 14d to 16d per lb. The sellers, however, thinking it rather extraordinary that wool, the moment the sheep was shorn, should sudden fall from 18d to 14d or 16d per pound declining selling, and very little business was done.

STOCKMAN THE PUGILIST.—A copy of the commitment against this prisoner, (charged with aiding in robbing a Mr. Crouch, under aggravated circumstances, after the late fight at Warwick) was applied for at Newgate, by authority from Bow-street office, and a habeas corpus was obtained at the Crown Office for the removal of the prisoner to Warwick for trial at the Assizes, which commenced on Saturday. The prisoner was conveyed to Warwick on Thursday.

Extraordinary Animal.—The bones of an animal of an immense size, and which apparently belonged to some unknown species, were exhibiting at New Orleans. They were found on a small bayou leading from the Mississipi, about twenty miles below Fort St. Philip, and immediately on the sea shore. The following is the only description given:—A horn, 18 feet long, and weighing 1000lbs.; a branch of a horn, 9 feet long, weighing 150lbs.; 7 joints of the back bone; 1 ditto of the tail; 2 ditto of the leg.

A King and Queen of the savage tribes of the Brazils have been for some days exhibiting at Brussels, at the *Cornoner*, upon the Grand Place. The King of Paris has nothing whimsical about him, except the manner in which he paints his face, but his Queen seems proud of a two-fold deformity, which, in her tribe, is beauty; namely, from the age of fifteen years, by means of a circular piece of wood introduced into the thickness of the lower lip, that part is made to grow out so prodigiously that it resembles a pointer held between the teeth. The ears, prolonged by a process nearly similar, fall gracefully upon the shoulders of the said Queen, like the lappets of a cap, and this is what they called a Venus in the tribe of the Botocudos. These persons are very affable. The King sings with a sweet voice a Brazilian song of an agreeable measure, and the Queen's smile must afford a singular pleasure in her country to those whom she gratifies with the favour.

There was extracted last week, by Surgeon Dickson, of Lisburn, from the left side of Mr. Samuel Smith, of that town, a ball, which was received by him at the memorable battle of Waterloo, when a sergeant in his Majesty's 6th (or Enniskillen) Dragoon Guards. The ball had descended three or four inches from where it had first lodged, and caused the veteran great pain.

Mr. Hallam, the author of the *View of Europe during the Middle Ages*, has met with a very serious accident. While on a tour of pleasure through the lakes of Killarney, on the 15th ult., he fell from a rock on one of the Islands on the lake, and was [illegible] about 12 feet, but upon ground the most [illegible] that can be conceived: the consequences was, a fracture of the left thigh-bone, besides bruises and wounds on the same side. Mr. Hallam is slowly recovering.

The death of an aged yeoman of the neighbourhood of Carlisle was occasioned in the following very singular manner:—The old man, as years accumulated upon him, acquired penurious habits. He had a stack of very fine wheat—prices advanced. His heart warmed at the idea; and the longer he kept it, he fondly imagined the more valuable it would become. But the things of this world are perishable. Rats and mice, and whole flocks of birds, made free with the stack. How was this to be prevented! A happy thought suggested itself. The old man, we are told, came to the comical conclusion of tethering a cat to the roof with length of line sufficient to admit of its descent on either side to snap up the ravenous intruders whenever they presented themselves. Puss did her duty with fidelity, we are to presume, for her master rewarded her with regular supplies of milk. One day, having ascended the roof with the accustomed allowance in a saucer, the old man missed his footing, and slid off the stack to the ground, and lighting upon his legs, the violence of the concussion produced hernia, which speedily carried him to his grave!

KENT ASSIZES.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27.

The King v. *A. Constable, Esq.*—This was an indictment against the defendant, a Justice of the Peace for the county of Kent, for committing John Baker to Maidstone gaol for three months, without the examination of witnesses on oath, without ever hearing Baker, and without giving him the opportunity of making a defence against the charge on which he was committed. The Jury found the defendant GUILTY.

MARLBOROUGH-STREET, FRIDAY.

Ben Burn, the pugilist, and landlord of the Rising Sun, in Great Windmill-street, appeared at this office to answer for an assault committed on the person of the name Mason.

Mason stated that upon the 6th of July he went into Burn's house and called for a pint of porter; on that occasion, Burn was out; but there was going on in the house a game called "Teddy Wink, and also measuring; in which latter amusement he joined, when, upon his accident measuring, some persons stole his coat. As Mr. Burn was going to Warwick to the Lion fight, nothing could be done until he came home. He called on the 16th, at Burn's, for the money to redeem his coat, which had been pledged by the person who stole it.—Two boys were then fighting in the court by Burn's house; when Burn, seeing him come up, struck him in the face, and caused the blood to gush out, and also knocked a tooth out of his head. A Mr. Newton, a publican, then stripped to fight him, for daring to call in the honesty of Mr. Burn's company in question.

Mr. Burn denied all this, and gave a detail of the abuse which Mason heaped on him, and which certainly received no publish from any detailer.

Three witnesses, who, from their appearance, we concluded were members of the Fancy, swore somnily that Mr. Burn was harmless as a lamb, and handed the complainant out more like a lady than any thing else.

Mr. Dyer desired Mr. Burn to enter into his own recognizance to answer the assault at the Sessions.

A barbarous attempt at murder was made on Sunday night last, near Sallybrook, within about four miles of Ardee, Ireland. An industrious cottager named Carroll, admitted through charity a strolling beggar to sleep beneath his roof, when at the dead hour of the night he rose, and having approached the bed in which his charitable host and wife were sleeping, he cut them both in a desperate manner with an adze or hatchet. The husband, it is said, cannot recover, his scull being severely fractured; and the white family, consisting of Carroll, his wife, and a servant girl, would have fallen victims to this sanguinary wretch, but that the girl, who had also received some wounds, effected her escape out of a window, and on the alarm being given he fled; and although strict search is making has yet eluded detection. Carroll being considered a very saving and industrious man, and having no children, the hope