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OF THE

LIFE, ACTIONS, and CONDUCT

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# Dr. Archibald Cameron,

Brother to Donald Cameron of Lochiel, Chief of that Clan.

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III. A Character and Defcription of the antient Highlanders, their Manners, Customs, Dress, Language, Hardiness, and peculiar Way of Life.

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With a curious Print of Dr. CAMERON.

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## Dr. ARCHIBALD CAMERON.



N the Year 1745, now eight Years ago, Charles Edward, eldest Son of the Pretender, accompanied only with seven Persons, landed in Scotland. The seven Companions of the young Adventurer were these following, viz. The Marquis of Tullibardine, eldest

Brother to the Duke of Athol, who was attainted in 1713.

2. Old Lochiel, the Father of Dr. Cameron, who fought in the same Cause in 1715.

3. General Macdonald, a Lieutenant-general in the Irish Brigades.

4. Sir Thomas Sherridan, an Irish Gentleman, of a middle Age, and great Capacity.

5. Colonel O Sullivan, an Irishman, formerly a Priest, and Tutor to Marshal Maillebois's Son. He was the young Chevalier's Director of the Artillery, and Aid de Camp.

Camp. 6. Mr. Kelly, many Years a Prisoner in the Tower of London, on Account of the Affair of the Bishop of Rochester. 7. Mr. Mechel, many Years a Servant to the Old Chevalier, and, for the Affection he had to the

Son, kept him Company in this Expedition.

As foon as he was landed, he went to the House of Donald Macdonald, of Kenloch Moidart; from whence he sent out Letters to the adjacent Clans, to acquaint them with his Arrival. Upon which Cameron of Lochiel, after much Entreaty, went to him, and expressed his Surprize to see him so weakly attended, and positively resused to raise his Clan till the Chevalier could produce, in Writing, the French King's Resolution to assist him with a proper Number of Forces. Being satisfied in this Point, he summoned his Clan, and set up his Standard, with this Motto, Tandem triumphans, at length triumphant. But at the same Time told him, That his Scheme was too ill concerted to expect Success from it; and that the Issue of it would be the Ruin of his Friends.

But, before we proceed farther, it may be proper to acquaint the Reader, that Dr. Cameron, the Subject of our Memoirs, was in himself of a quiet and peaceable Temper, and had he not been Brother to the samous Lochiel, the warmest Stickler the Pretender had, it's very probable we should never have heard of him in this Rebellion.

As his Father, Evan Cameron, of Lochiel, was the Chief of one of the most famous Clans in the Highlands, this his Son was educated in all the Branches of Learning which the best Schools or Universities of Scotland could afford. His Father designed him for the Bar; but young Archibald observing, that in order to be properly qualified for an Advocate, he must be Master of all the Quirks and sophistical Reasonings that are usually made Use of to puzzle a Cause, and hoodwink the Understanding with factitious Arguments. He therefore applied himself to the Study of a Science more agreeable to his natural Genius and Turn of Mind; and Physic was pitched upon, as what was more advantageous, and indeed more conforant to Mr. Cameron's own Inclinations. In order to which, the Knowledge of the Human System was highly necessary. For this Purpose, he applies himself to the Study of Anatomy; for without some tolerable Acquaintance with this, a Man will make. but a very indifferent Figure either as a Physician or Sur-He therefore put himself under the Direction of Dr. Alexander

Alexander Munro of the University of Edinburgh, a Gentleman of established Reputation, and justly esteemed for his extensive Knowledge in all the Branches of Surgery; which he has acquired not only by his own indefatigable Industry and judicious Observations on the Variety of Cases that have come under his Cognizance, but has likewise improved his Judgment by attending to the Operations performed by his Father Dr. Munro.

WHEN Mr. Cameron had acquired a competent Skill in Anatomy, he applied himself to the Study of Physic, and herein was instructed by Dr. Sinclair, a Gentleman very eminent in the Faculty. Having continued a convenient Time with Dr. Sinclair, not content with the Progress he had already made, he resolves to Travel, and to improve himself in foreign Countries, in the Practice of an Art which he intended to make his Profession. Accordingly he went to Paris, where he had the best Opportunities of increasing his Knowledge. And being thus sufficiently qualified to exercise his Profession, he returned to Lochabar; where foon afterwards he married a young Lady of good Repute, whose Name was Campbell, who has made him the Father of seven Children, and is about feven Months gone with the eighth; unhappy for her and them, that they must be allotted so large a Share of Sufferings for his Crime, without being Partakers in his Guilt!

Thus Dr. Cameron, who might have made a considerable Figure even in a Court, or a populous and well cultivated City, contents himself with exercising his Talents among a People, whose Manners and Fierceness resembled them very much to the wild Beafts of a Forest: Yet, by his gentle and humane Carriage among them, many were taught to follow a more honest Course of Life than is generally ascribed to the Highlanders, especially the Camerons, who have been reckoned the most infamous of all the Clans for their Thefts and Plunderings. The Doctor therefore took as much Pains in cultivating the Minds of these poor ignorant Wretches, as he did of their Bodies, in prescribing them proper Remedies in all their Illnesses. So that the whole Clan, by Means of his and his Brother's Instructions and Regulations, were greatly reformed in their Morals; Honesty and Industry increased every-where by the Encouragement given by their Patrons, who took all imaginable Pains to instruct them in the Principles of Justice and Reli-A 2

gion, and to civilize their Manners by teaching them to behave like rational and fociable Creatures.

As the Highlanders in all Reigns have been remarkable for disturbing the established Government of Scotland, by taking up Arms on every Invasion for the Invaders, and have been the Ringleaders and chief Promoters of the Rebellion, which, on this Occasion, had almost ruined that Kingdom, I believe it will not be amis to give a Charac-

ter of them from History.

Buchanan, the Scots Historian, says, They are as parsimonious as the Antients in their Diet, Apparel, and Furniture. They fish and hunt for their Food, and while they hunt, eat it raw, after having squeezed out the Blood. Their Drink is Meat-broth, or Whey, of which they have Plenty at their Entertainments; but most of them drink Water .- Their Bread is a very artful Compofition of Oats and Barley, the only Grain which their Country produces. After eating a little of it in the Morning, they hunt, or go about their Business, without eating any more till Night. They delight most in Cloaths of several Colours, especially striped, and the Colours they are fondest of are Purple and Blue. Their Ancestors, as many of them do still, made use of Plaids very much variegated; but now they make them rather of dark Colours, more like the Crops of Heath, that they may not be discovered while they lie in Heaths waiting for Game. Being rather wrapped up than covered with their Plaids, they endure all the Rigours of the Seasons, and sometimes sleep covered all over with Snow. At home they lie upon the Ground, having under them Fern or Heath (covered with a Sheet or Blanket) the latter laid with the Roots undermost, so that it is almost as soft as Feathers, and much more healthful; for the Quality of Heath being to draw out superfluous Humours, when they lay down weary and faint upon it at Night, they rife fresh and vigorous in the Morning. They affect this hard way of Sleeping, and whenever they happen to come into Places where there is better Accommodation, they pull the Coverings off the Bed, and lie down upon them wrapped in their Plaids, lest they should be spoiled by what they call such a hurbarous Effentinacy.

THE old Scots Language, call'd Erse, has lost so much Ground by the Spreading of the English in Scotland, ever

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fince the Norman Conquest, that 'tis now confined to the Highlands, and the Isles, where most of the People of

Note do also understand and speak English.

MR. Mackay tells us, that the Highlanders differ as much from the Lowlanders in their Dress, Manners, and Language, as the Indians of Mexico do from the Spaniards; that the old Scots Language is here spoken in its native Purity, and written in its genuine Characters, which are more like the Greek or Hebrew than the Roman; whereas the Welsh, tho' they have preserved their Language, yet have intirely lost their old Character, and write in the Roman.

'Tis prefumed that we cannot have a better Authority for what remains to be faid of the Nature of the Highlanders, whom Tacitus calls Horesti, i. e. Montani, or Mountaneers, than the Account which is given of them by that eminent Antiquary, Sir James Dalrimple, Uncle to the late Earl of Stair, in his Observations on Cambden's Britania; and this we shall give our Readers in his own Words, viz.

5 THE Inhabitants of these Regions, are a Kind of rude, warlike, quarrelsome, and mischievous People;

who being the unmix'd Progeny of the antient Scots, fpeak Irish, and call themselves Albanick. Their Bodies

s are firmly and compactly made, withal strong and in marlike Exer-

6 cifes, and inured to Robberies on their Neighbours; and,

e upon a Hatred, most desperately forward to take Re-

f venge. They lived by Hunting, Fishing, Fowling, and

Stealing; and, like the Spaniards, wear long Hair.

They are divided into Kindreds and Families, which they call Clans, and are so united to the Cause of their

s particular Clans, that there is an Act of Parliament,

that if any one of a Clan does a Mischief, the whole Clan

is answerable for it; and they must either deliver up the

Aggressor, or the first Man that is apprehended suffers

for it; and the whole Clan bears Feud for the Hurt

received by any one Member of it, even altho' they

fuffer justly. Many Gentlemen in the Highlands shun

one another's Company, lest they should revive a Quar-rel that happen'd between their Fore-fathers, perhaps three hundred Years ago. They are always warm in

If their Friendships; for if they meet with one in Amity

with their own Clan, be it in any Country of the World, there is immediately the most intimate Friendfhip. The Macdonalds are by much the most powerful of all the Clans: They are divided into four Classes, and inhabit distinct Countries. The Macdonalds of Glengary e dwell upon the Lockness; the Macdonalds of Slate, in Lacheber and the Isle of Skey; the Captain of Clan-Ro-nald, and Macdonald of Keppoch, and those of Kintyre, towards Argyleshire. The other Clans, Clan-Katin, Clan-Cameron, the Macleans, and almost innumerable other Macs, altho independent of one another, yet are entirely guided by the Macdonalds, who have been fo powerful, as often to assume the Name of Kings of the Ifles; and one of them in 1461, according to Mr. Rye mer's Fædera, enter'd into a League with Edward IV. of England. Robert, the first of the Stuart Kings of Scotland, married his Daughter Margaret to Macdonald, Lord of the Isle, to serve him in his Interest; but all would not do; they were the common Disturbers of the Nation, till James V. privately with a Body of Men, took Shipping, and landed in every Clan and Island, and brought them in Person to his Obedience, making them give Hostages for their good Behaviour.

Besides the Methods taken, as we have already mention'd, for reducing and reforming the Highlanders, 'tis proper just to take Notice of two or three Acts passed in the Reign of K. George I. which contributed, not a little,

to that End.

[1] I George, Cap. 20. An Act for encouraging all Superiors, Vallals, Landlords and Tenants, who continue

loyal to King George.

[11] I George, Cap. 54. An Act enjoining, That the personal Service and Attendance, which was wont to be the Heads of Clans, and Owners of Estates, at the Pleasure of such Chiefs, under the Names of personal Attendance, Hosting, Hunting, Watching, and Warding, shall be for the suture paid in Money annually; and the said personal Service, &c. shall be utterly annualled. This Act was farther ensorced in the 11th of the same Reign, Cap. 26. on the Non-observance of the former by many of the contemptuous Highlanders.

[111] 1 George, Cap. 54. An Act for more effectual fecuring the Highlands of Scotland, which enacted, That iso Perion within the said Highlands, shall use or bear

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Broad-swords or Target, Ponyard, Wingar, or Durk, Side-pistol or Gun, or any warlike Weapon in the Fields, or in the Way to or from any Church, Market, Fair, Butial, Huntings, Meetings, &c. However, not to extend to Noblemen, Officers of Justices, or Commanders, having yearly 400 l. Scots, or who are otherwise qualified to vote, at Elections for Parliament; allowing to every such Commander two Firelocks, two Pair of Pistols, and two Swords; and that the Magistrates of the Royal Burghs may keep Arms in Magazines.

This, I believe, is a very just Description of the Highlanders, that is, such as they were at and before the Time of the late Rebellion; but were then so entirely broken and subdued, that the Government has found but little Difficulty in taming their rough and savage Tempers, and

in making them good and useful Subjects.

THE Clan Cameron, of which Lochiel was the Chief, was one of the most numerous and brave that then inhabited the Highlands of Scotland; but being strongly attached to the Stuart Interest, have always appeared for the Pretender upon any Invasion, or Commotions raised in that Kingdom in Favour of his Cause; and in the late Rebellion. none of the Clans behaved more strenuously, even to the last, for the young Chevalier, than the Camerons, who, with Lochiel their Chief at their Head, were the first in allthe Battles and Skirmishes fought with the King's Troops, and were the last that retired out of the Field. Even after the Battle of Culloden, when the young Pretender's Affairs were so desperate, that there was no Prospect or visible Means of retrieving them; when all the Clans were entirely broke and dispersed, and a great part of them cut off and, destroyed, the Camerons did not forsake him, but did all in their Power to put a better Face on his Affairs, protected him when purfued by his Enemies, and for a long while secreted him in inaccessible Places in the Mountains.

As Dr. Cameron was a Man of no Ambition, but of a quiet and easy Temper, the Reader must not expect to find him engaged in any notable Exploits; his only or chief Business in the Army being to attend his Brother Lochiel, and to assist him with his Skill if any Disaster should happen to befal him in Battle. In order therefore to diversify our Story, which would be very short were it confined wholly to the Doctor, I have collected, from a little Tract published soon after the Rebellion, some diverting Anec-

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dotes relating to this famous Family from which he is defeended.

THE Family of Camerons, says my Author, is cer-tainly very antient, and pretend a Settlement in that Country long before the Irish had any Possessions there, and disclaim all Manner of Relation to them. Lochiel, their late Chief, boasted, that some of his Ancestors were settled there above seven hundred Years ago. But I presume he could bring no Proof of this more than Tradition; fince the Division of Lands, and Settlement of Property by Writings (which were the only Methods of tracing the Antiquity of Families) did not commence till some Hundreds of Years after that Period. No Records nor Registers, nor Genealogies so antient, can at this Day be produced; nor was there any Sort of Learning cultivated among them, in those Times, but what was found among the Druids and Poets; who were retained by Persons of Figure to commemorate, in Verses and Songs, the mighty Deeds of their Ancestors; by which Means a fort of traditionary Genealogy was handed from Father to Son. But other Vouchers they had none, till a Division of Property was settled by Writings, in which the Names of the Possessors must necessarily be introduced, and so continued down in Order to Posterity.

These Bards or poetical Genealogists, we may be sure, never run the Hazard of their Patron's Favour, by rehearsing such Deeds or Actions which might make a Blot in their Escutcheons; nothing which might seem to lessen the lineal and inherent Virtues of the Family must be introduced: Their Business was to sing Encomiums to their Heroes, and magnify and extol the great Atchievements of those Worthies from whom their Patrons claimed their Descent; and therefore it is no Wonder if we find but little Truth, or have the greatest Reason to suspect the Veracity of such of their Genealogies as are carried higher than the Time when Learning came more generally into Repute, and the History of private Persons as well as public Transactions, might be transmitted to Posterity by the Means of

Printing.

THERE is not a Family among the Clans, but whose Ancestors were most of them Heroes, or Persons who had arrived to the Tip-top of military Glory, at least their Bards have represented them so, but none they have bedecked so egregiously as the Family of the Camerons, which they have so inveloped in Fable, that scarce

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the Glimmerings of Probability appear thro' the greatest Part of the Story. It will therefore be to little Purpose to trace the Genealogy of his Family any higher than the first of the Name, who settled upon the Estate of Lochiel.

The first Man who was called by the Name of Cameron, was much renowned for his Feats in Arms, and his prodigious Strength; a Monument of which is still remaining near Acknacary, the Seat of Lochiel; namely, a large Stone, of upwards of 500 Weight, which he could hoist from the Ground with a strait Arm, and toss it with as much Ease, as a Man does a Cricket-ball; a Plough-share he could bend round his Leg like a Garter; and the strongest Ropes were no more in his Hands than Twine-thread. In short, he seems to have been a second Sampson; with this Difference only, that our Cameron seems not to have been so easily inveigled by the Women as the Jew was, nor did his Strength lie in his Hair.

This Man of Might was so conscious of his Strength and Prowess, that he thought no Man upon Earth was a Match for him, and accordingly entered the Lists with the most famous Champions of that Age, nor was afraid to challenge the most renowned of them. In one of their Combats, it seems, his Antagonist handled him very roughly, and with a violent Blow of his Fist set his Nose awry; for the Encounter was accidental, and consequently both unarmed; for had they fought with Swords, he might have hew'd it quite off, but this blunt Blow only set it on one Side; yet so, as that it could never be recovered to its right Position. From this Accident he was always afterwards called Cameron, or, The Knight of the wry Nose, as that Word imports in the Highland Language.

Our Hero was now arrived at the 35th Year of his Age, and had given many signal Proofs of his Valour, so that his Name became terrible all over the Country. But having little or no paternal Estate, he began to think it highly necessary for him to join himself to some great and powerful Family, the better to enable him to distinguish himself more eminently, than it was possible for him to do as a single Man, without Friends or Relations, or at least such as were of little or no Account. He had spent his Life in the Shire of Dumbarton; but as he had no Family or Inheritance to incumber him, he resolved

to try his Fortune in the World, and to go in Search of a Wife. He fet out accordingly, and happened to light on that Part of the Country where Lochiel's Estate now lies. Here he informed himself of the Character and Circumstances of the Chief who resided there, and understood that he was a Man of a large Estate, had a great Number of Friends and Dependants, and withal had a fair and excellent young Lady to his Daughter. This was a Foundation sufficient for our wry-nose Knight to build his Hopes and future Expectations upon. He soon made himself known to the Gentleman, whose Name was M-Tavish, Baron of Straborgig; to whom having given an Account of himself and his Business (for his Fame was there before) he was kindly welcomed, and treated with all the Civilities imaginable. In short, a Bargain was foon ftruck for the Daughter, who was as well pleased as the Father, with the Offer of a Husband fo much to her Liking; for Strength of Body, vigorous and finewy Limbs, and undaunted Courage, were, in those Days, the best Qualifications to recommend a Man to the Affections of a Lady.

The Baron of Straborgig was the more willing to marry his Daughter to our Knight, because by this Alliance he should get a brave bold Man to head his People against the Clan of M'Donalds of Glengary, who bordering on the Lochiel's Estate, there were frequent Bickerings and Skirmishes between the two Clans; for in those Days all Quarrels and Disputes were decided by the Strength of the Arm, and the Edge of the Sword. Our Knight, whose Courage never flinch'd in the greatest Dangers, led on his Men boldly, and fought many bloody Encounters with the M'Donalds, whose Chief he challenged to fingle Combat; but M. Donald knowing his Antagonist was superior to him in Strength, refused, but sought it out with him in a pitched Battle, in which however he was worsted, and great Numbers of his People slain; and finding himfelf much weakened, and his Clan greatly diminished fince the Knight of the Wry-nose became his Enemy, he proposed a Compromise between the two Families; which was agreed to, and the Chiefs on both Sides met (each attended with a numerous Retinue, to prevent Surprize) in a certain Meadow that lay, as it were, between both Estates, and which both laid a Claim to. Here the Matters in Difference were folemnly and amicably debated; and at length the Parties came to this Conclusion: That McDonald should, for him and his Heirs, for ever renounce all his Claim and Pretence of Right to such a certain District, containing about 500 Acres of Land, with all the Royalties, Privileges, and Prerogatives thereunto belonging and appertaining, the contending for which had occasioned innumerable Feuds and Quarrels, and the Effusion of a great deal of innocent Blood; this he solemnly assigned and made over to the Knight of the Wry-nose, and his Heirs for ever.

This is the Story which the Highland Bards have recorded of this great Progenitor of the Camerons; and these are the Means, they tell us, by which he got Possession of an Estate worth about 100 l. a Year. The Registers of this Family record likewise a long Succession of great Men, who rendered themselves famous by their military Exploits; but the Genealogy is so wrapped up in Fable and Romance, that a Relation of them would appear much in the same Light, as the Histories of St. George, St. Dennis, Guy Earl of Warwick, John of Gaunt, and other sabulous Heroes, wrote for the Diversion and Amusement of Children. Let it suffice to assure the Reader, that there has been a lineal Succession of great Men in this Family; and that the Chief of the House, for the time being, had always distinguish'd himself by some remarkable Actions and Atchievements, and had added either Glory or Enlargement to his Clan, down from the Knight of the Wry-nose to Lochiel their late Representative, the Brother of Dr. Cameron, the Subject of these Memoirs. It appears plainly enough, that they were always a powerful Clan; because they have been so far from losing or diminishing any Part of their Estate, that they have made great Additions to it in the Course of several Ages. Their Chiefs were likewise always careful to strengthen their Interest with potent and honourable Alliances, by marrying their Children into the best Families in the Shires of Argyle and Inverness; and their Estate, which is reckoned at about 500 l. per Ann. is held in Vassalage, partly of the Duke of Gordon, and partly of the Duke of Argyle.

We come now to the more immediate Ancestors of this Family; and we shall go no farther back than Sir Hugh Cameron, Grandfather of the late Lochiel and his Brother the Doctor, who was a strenuous Partizan for

King Charles I. It is reported of him, that one Day, he and his Party being engag'd with a Detachment from Cromwell's Army, he was thrown down by one of the English Soldiers, and disarmed; but though Sir Hugh was at the Mercy of the Soldier, who might have taken his Life, but offer'd him Quarter, yet so strong was his Antipathy to the very Name of an Englishman, that he scorn'd to accept it, and suddenly jumping up, seiz'd with his Teeth fast hold of the Soldier's Throat, which he could not be forced from, 'till he had tore a Hole in the Fellow's Windpipe, and so kill'd him on the Spot.

Evan Cameron, his Son, imbib'd the same Aversion to the English, and carried it to as great Lengths in every Instance of his Life, or as often as Opportunity serv'd him to shew it; and he had so inseparably attach'd himfelf to the Family of the Stuarts, that no Confideration whatever could induce him to abandon that Party, or forfake their Interests. At the Revolution, no Man was a more zealous Asserter of the Rights of K. James than he, and was actually in Arms, and ferv'd the Lord Dundee, who being defeated, Evan thought it highly necessary for him to leave his own Country, and retire to France, and resided for many Years at the Court of St. Germains, subfisting on a Pension allow'd him by the French King; and when, by the Treaty of Utrecht, the Pretender was obliged to quit France, Evan follow'd him to Avignon, and was with him afterwards at Rome; though not always, as some of that Faction have been, but made his chief Residence at Paris. In the Year 1715, he came over to Scotland with the Pretender; but I can recollect nothing memorable of him in that Expedition; and he went back again with his Master to France.

When the late Rebellion broke out in 1745, he embark'd with the Chevalier in the Expedition to Scotland; where, though he was eighty Years of Age, he behaved with furprizing Activity, and bore all the Fatigues of that rough Campaign with uncommon Fortitude and Steadinets, and fat and managed his Horse with a Gracefulness and Agility, scarce paralell'd by any Officer in the Rebel Army; however he lost his Life at the Battle of Culloden, in Defence of his pretended Prince; and 'twas Pity his Courage and other good Qualities had not been employ'd

in a better Cause.

During the old Gentleman's Residence at Paris, only his youngest Son the Doctor went to see him; and that not purposely, but as it were casually: For the Doctor's Design in going to Paris, was, as before intimated, to improve himself in the Knowledge of Physick, and not to settle a Correspondence or concert Measures with the disaffected Party, in order to advance the Pretender's Interest. The Bent of his Genius led him to the Study of the Sciences, and the pacifick Temper of his Mind withheld him from engaging in the dangerous Enterprizes of Politicks. And therefore in visiting his Father, he had no other View than to pay him that filial Duty which became him, without any Design of learning any of his political Principles.

As to Lochiel, the elder Son, he never was Abroad with his Father, but lived quietly at Home upon his Estate; he had not imbibed those inveterate Principles against the English and the Royal Family, as his Predecessors had done, and never shewed any Inclination to disturb the Government for the Sake of a foreign Interest; and, all Circumstances considered and compared, we are pretty sure, that he knew nothing of the intended Invasion, till the young Pretender was actually landed in Scotland. For upon a Muster of his whole Clan, they had not a hundred Stands of Arms among them all, and but few of them in a Condition for Use, nor had he any Provision to furnish them with better. 'Tis true, when the Chevalier was actually landed, his Father sent him express Orders to raise the whole Clan immediately, and come with them to join the Pretender. Lochiel however was far from being ready to obey his Summons; he was sensible of the Risque he run, not only in his Person, but his Estate; he confider'd, that at present he lived very happily, unmolested and unenvied by any Body; but should he comply with his Father's Request, and the Enterprize should miscarry, he should be utterly ruined without a Possibility of Redemption. These Reasons were strong and cogent, and kept him a good while irrefolute, or rather firm to his Purpose of not meddling in so dangerous an Affair; and so continued, notwithstanding all the Solicitations made to him to change his Mind, for the Space of six Weeks; the Chevalier and his Father were all that Time at the House of M. Donald of Kinloch Moidart. the young Pretender himself came to his House at Achnacary, with about fifty Persons in his Retinue, together with old Cameron his Father. On their Arrival, the old Gentleman shew'd himself immediately to his Clan, who were greatly rejoiced to see their old Chief among them again; so that it was now next to impossible for young Lochiel to make any longer Resistance; and in sine, he joined in their Measures, and he and his Father had the Command given them of the Clan, who were directly convocated and arm'd.

At the breaking out of the Rebellion, the Clan of the Camerons were judg'd to confist of about 800 fighting Men, fit to bear Arms, bold, stout Fellows, and train'd up in the Exercise of Arms: But what was more to their Praise, they were not so addicted to pilfering and robbing their Neighbours, which most of the other Clans in the Highlands were notorious for, particularly the M'Donalds: For young Lochiel being a Man of Honour and Probity himself, took abundance of Pains, nor was his Brother the Doctor less assiduous in reforming the People of his Clan, and to infuse into them true Notions of Justice and Honesty. And as Lochiel was the chief Magistrate amongst them, he punish'd their Excesses with a becoming Severity, and at the same Time endeavour'd to inculcate into them better Principles, and juster Notions of Right and Wrong than they had hitherto learnt. So that though he was both beloved and feared by great Numbers of them, yet there were many who hated both him and his Brother, because they would not suffer them to spoil and plunder their Neighbours, which was allow'd by most of the other Chiefs of the Clans; but Lochiel little regarded their Clamour on that Account; he knew his Authority was sufficient to keep them in Subjection, and he gave himself no Trouble about any Thing they should report against his Administration. What Pity it is that two Gentlemen of so much Worth, and who might have done excellent Service to their King and Country, should be over-aw'd by their Father to rebel against both, and that too against their own Principles, and juster Way of Thinking.

But the Lochiel was at length prevailed upon to set up the Chevalier's Standard, yet his Brother, the Doctor, could not for a good while be prevailed with to join in their Measures; nay, it was chiefly owing to his Remonstances, that Lochiel so long withstood the earnest and constant

constant Solicitations of his Father and the Chevalier. But when Lochiel had once listed himself in his Service, his Honour was so deeply engaged, that no Arguments or Persuasions could prevail with him to desist. But when he had mustered his Clan, and set up his Standard, he found that his Brother had left him in Disgust. This gave him a good deal of Disquietude; for he could not bear the Thought, that one so nearly related to him, should have a separate Interest. Upon which he sent a Messenger to him with an Order, requiring his immediate Attendance. The Doctor obeyed, but could not so eafily be wrought upon to concur in his Brother's new Schemes. He remonstrated, in the strongest Terms, upon the unsurmountable Obstacles that he foresaw would attend the Undertaking, and the terrible Consequences of a Miscarriage. Lochiel, however, would take no Denial, telling him, that he did not want the Affistance of his Sword, or his Valour, but only defired he would attend him as his Companion, that he might always have the Advantage of his Advice and Skill, in case the Fortune of War should render either of them necessary. The Doctor, how ill soever he thought of the Cause, yet his Affection for his Brother, and the many fignal Obligations he lay under to him, at length prevailed over all other Confiderations, and he submitted to share his Brother's Fate, whatever it should be.

But tho' the Doctor was, with great Reluctance, and in a Manner forced to join his Brother's Measures, yet he absolutely resuled to accept of any Commission in the Army; neither did he act there, as ever I could learn, in any other Quality than as a Physician. He was perfectly unacquainted with the military Art, and therefore wholly unqualified to give his Advice, or even his Vote in Council, upon any Operations that were propos'd by the Chiess or general Officers. Yet, as he was always among them, it is suppos'd, at least in the Eye of the Law, that he countenanced, encourag'd, and, as much as it was in his Power, assisted the Rebels, in all their Outrages against the Government.

Dr. Cameron was of so humane a Disposition, that if Credit may be given to general Report, when any wounded Prisoners were brought to him, he was as affiduous in his Care of them, as if they had sought in the Cause he espoused; and 'tis affirmed, that he never resus'd his Affishance

Affistance to any one that ask'd it, whether Friend or Foe.

The Chevalier having increas'd his Army to about 2000, march'd forward, in order to enter upon Action, and advanced to Corryerroig, a Hill about fix Miles from Fort Augustus, and being inform'd that General Cope was coming to attack him, waited for him with a Resolution to hazard a Battle, if the Enemy was in the same Humour. The General, however, either distrusting his own Strength, or for some other Reason, best known to himself, march'd forward to Aberdeen, where he embark'd his Army on Board some Ships, which transported it to Dunbar, the nearest and best Place for landing on the South Side of the Firth, and there disembark'd.

The Chevalier, perceiving the Enemy had left him, put his Army in Motion, and directed his March to Perth, of which he took Possession, where his Father was proclaim'd King, and himself Regent of Scotland. Here he was join'd by several more of the Clans. After some Stay, he decamp'd from Perth, and proceeded in his March, till he approach'd Edinburgh; of which City he soon got Possession: But by what Means, and of his Behaviour there, and afterwards, we must refer the Reader to the Annals of that Time, it not being our Design to write a History of the Rebellion, but only to relate such Passages and Transactions of it, wherein Lochiel or his Brother had some Concern.

The Chevalier having, with very little Trouble, got Possession of Edinburgh, it was not long before he was inform'd, that General Cope was on the March to attack him. Upon which News he led out his Army to meet and fight him. Accordingly Battle was joined at a Place called Preston-Pans, which proved fatal to the Royalists. Just as the Army was marching to the Attack, the Chevalier appeared at their Head, very alert, and ready to lead them to the Onset. Lochiel, however, who had a very great Respect and Esteem for him, earnestly ent eated him to forbear exposing his Person, and advised him to take his Stand upon a rising Ground, under the Guard of a Party, from whence he might send his Orders to any Part of the Army during the Engagement, as he should see Occasion; for if any Missortune should befal him, they were all ruined to a Man; and that too much depended on his Sasety, to hazard his Person without more apparent

apparent Necessity than there was; which Advice the Chevalier follow'd, and retired with a Party to a high Field to the South-west of Seatoun.

The Chevalier, after the Advantage gain'd at Prestonpans, march'd his Army into England; but as during that
whole Expedition, scarce any remarkable Action happen'd,
besides plundering desenceles Towns, Lochiel had no Opportunity to distinguish himself, till his Return into Scotland. At the Battle of Falkirk, he, at the Head of his
Camerons, vigorously attack'd the King's Troops, and very
much contributed to turn the Fortune of the Day; but in
the Heat of the Action, was wounded by a Musket-ball in
his Leg; which being observ'd by his Brother the Doctor,
who always kept near his Person, he begg'd him to retire to have it dress'd; which he accordingly did; but as
the Doctor was lending him his Assistance, he himself receiv'd a slight Wound.

On the Duke of Cumberland's Arrival in Scotland, the Chevalier retired further North, and took up his Head Quarters at Inverness; from whence he sent out Parties to skirmish with the Royalists; and many Encounters happen'd between them with various Success. During these Hostilities, an Opportunity sell out, which gave Lochiel an Occasion to discover the Generosity of his Sentiments, and his Abhorrence to Cruelties of all Kinds. Thus it was.

THE Campbels having, all along, exerted themselves very strenuously in Behalf of the Government, had thereby exceedingly exasperated the Rebels, but especially Cameron of Lochiel, and Alexander Macdonald of Keppoch. These two Gentlemen wrote the following Letter to Mr. Stewart of Invernakel, dated Glenturs, March 20. 1746.

YESTERNIGHT we receiv'd a Letter from Clunie, giving an Account of the Success of the Party sent by his R---- H---- (the Chevalier) under the Command of the Lord George Murray, to Athol; a Copy of which Letter we thought proper to send you inclosed; as you happen, for the present, to lie contiguous to the Campbels, 'tis our special Desire, that you instantly communicate to Airds the Sheriff, and other leading Men among them, our Sentiments, (which God willing, we are determined to execute) by transmitting this our Letter, and the inclosed Copy, to any the nearest to you.

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Ir is our Opinion, that, of all Men in Scotland, the Campels had the least Reason of any, to engage in the present War against his R----'s Interest, considering they have always appear'd in Opposition to the R----Family since the Reign of Fames VI. and have been guilty of so many Acts of Rebellion and Barbarity during that Time, that no injur'd Prince but would endeavour to refent it, when God was ever pleased to put the Power in his Hands. Yet his present M---y, and his R--- H---the Prince Regent, were graciously pleased, by their respective Declarations, to forgive all past Miscarriages to the most virulent and inveterate Enemy, and even bury them in Oblivion, provided they returned to their Allegiance; and tho' they should not appear personally in Arms, in Support of their P----'s Cause, yet their standing Neuter would entitle them to the good Graces of their injur'd Sovereign. But in Spight of all the Lenity and Clemency, that a Prince could shew or promise, the Campbels have openly appear'd, with their wonted Zeal for Rebellion and Usurpation, in a most officious Manner, nor could we ever form a Thought to ourselves, that any Men, endow'd with Reason and common Sense, would use their Fellow-Creatures with that Inhumanity and Barbarity, as they do; and of which we have daily Proofs by their burning of Houses, stripping of Women and Children, exposing them to the open Fields, and the Severity of the Weather, burning of Corn, houghing (bam-stringing) of Cattle, and killing of Horses. To enumerate the Whole, would be too tedious at this Time. They must naturally re-slect that we cannot but look upon such Cruelties with Horror and Detestation, and, with Hearts full of Revenge, will certainly endeavour to make Reprifals; and we are determined to apply to his R--- for Leave and an Order to enter their Country, with full Power to act at Discretion; and if we are lucky enough to obtain it, we shall shew, that we are not to make War against Women, and the Brute Creation, but against Men; and as God was pleafed to put so many of them in our Hands, we hope to prevail with his R--- to hang a Campbel for every House that shall hereafter be burnt by them.

NOTWITHSTANDING the many scandalous and malicious Aspersions, industrously contrived by our Enemies, they could never, since the Commencement of the War, impeach as with any Asis of Hostility, that had the least

Tendency

Tendency to fuch a Cruelty, tho' we had it in our Power, if barbarous enough to execute it.

When Courage fails against Men, it betrays Cowardise to a great Degree, to vent the Spleen against Brutes, Houses, Women, and Children, that cannot resist. We are not ignorant of their villainous Intentions, by the intercepted Letter from the Sheriff Airds, &c. which plainly discovers, that it was by their Application, that their General Cumberland granted Orders for burning, &c. which he could not be answerable for to the British Parliament, being most certain, that such Barbarity could never be countenanced by any Christian Senete,

(Sign'd) Donald Cameron, of Lachiel.
ALEX. MAC DONNELL of Keppoch.

I CANNOT omit taking Notice, that my People have been the first that have felt the cowardly Barbarity of my pretended Campbel Friends; I shall desire to live, to have an Opportunity of thanking them for it in the open Field.

(Sign'd)

DONALD CAMERON.

THE Battle of Culloden, which put a final Period to the Rebellion, and all the Pretender's Hopes of fitting on the British Throne, was likewise fatal to vast Numbers of his Followers and Adherents; Multitudes of whose Carcases spread the bloody Field; and they that escaped, were but reserved to suffer infinite Difficulties and Hazards. The Camerons behaved with their usual Bravery, and Lochiel their chief was forely wounded in the Ankle. Being overpowered and obliged to retire before his Enemy, he was closely attended by his Brother the Doctor, who dressed, and took all imaginable Care of his Wound, till it was healed. The next Day, Lochiel marched with his Clan to the Side of a Hill, where he drew them up, and ordered the Pipes to play all the following Night, such Tune as he knew, would best divert and amuse them in their present melancholy Circumstances. The next Morning, finding there was no Likelihood of his being joined by any considerable Force, and that there was no Subfistence for his Troops, marched away for Lochabar, along those Hills that separate that County from Badenoch, and in two Days came to Glengary, where he found his unhappy Master, whose Grief was renewed on the Sight of his Friend Lochiel, and so many miserable Objects with him; Lochiel himself dangerously wounded in the Ankle, and hardly able to travel, and a great Part of his Men in no better, many of them in a much worse Condition, tho' Dr. Cameron did all in his Power to relieve them in their Misery. Nothing was heard among them but Lamentations for their Miserarriage, and their present Misery and Distress, Groans uttered from a Sense of their aking Wounds; and many ready to drop under the Weight of their own Bodies, thro' Fatigue and Want of Refreshment. This was a Heartbreaking Sight to the Chevalier, who was less able to bear the Missortunes of others than he was his own.

But nothing could exceed the Love of the Camerons for their Lochiel, unless it was that of the Macdonalds for their Keppoch: For being wounded in the very Height and Fury of the Battle, two of them took hold of his Legs, a third supported his Head, while the Rest posted themselves round him as an impregnable Bulwark; and in that Manner carried him from the Field, over the small River Nairn, to

a Place of Safety.

GLENGARY having refreshed his Guests with Butter, Cheese, Milk, and Usquebaugh (a favourite Liquor among the Highlanders) the Chevalier held a Council of War with his Officers, wherein it was moved, to set up a Standard near that Place, and issue out Orders for the dispersed Troops to repair to it. This Proposal was agreed to by some who thought it was the best Method they could take, to secure themselves from being taken by the Enemy, as they certainly would be, in Case they were to separate, or wan-The Chevalier, however, der about in small Parties. truely informed them, that he had no more Money to give them; and therefore, unless they were able to force the Royalists in their Camp, they would run the utmost Hazard of having their Subsistence cut off. Sullivan and Sherridan spoke on the same Side, and expatiated on the Madness and Folly of fuch a Project. However, to keep their Fidelity and Constancy to their Master unshaken, these two Gentlemen assured them, that, upon their certain Knowledge, there were large Supplies of Men and Money, at that In-Rant, coming to them from France, and expected every Day, which would undoubtedly give a very favourable Turn to their Master's Affairs.

AT length after much Debate, it was agreed, that the Camerons should keep in a Body, and march together to Achnacary,

Achnacory, Lochiel's Seat, on the Road to Fort-William, and about nine Miles from it; where, by their patrolling Parties, they might observe the Motions of the Royalists; while the Chevalier, with the Corps under him, performed

the same Service upon the Quarter toward Inverness.

Pursuant to this Resolution, Lochiel with his Camerons marched away for Achnacary; and the first Thing they did, on their Arrival there, was, to secure their best Effects in the Woods, and subterraneous Caverns, of which there were many in that Part of the Country; and considering how soon the Royalists might deprive them of their Cattle, they killed and fed upon them in a very plentiful Manner.

In the mean Time, several of the broken Corps and Straglers, that had hid themselves from the Fury of the Enemy, some half dead with their Wounds, and all near famished for Want of Nourishment, were continually coming in, and gave difmal Accounts, tho' often at the Expence of Truth, of the Cruelty of the Royalists: For, I believe, it will be allowed, that never was less Barbarity shewn on the like Occasion, as might be undeniably proved from History. The Chevalier was extremely affected at the piteous and lamentable Accounts they gave, and usually faid; I am forry to have brought any such Hardships upon this f poor People; and the best Way to prevent the like for the Future, is to give over all further Attempts; for our Cause is now desperate, and would to God I had 6 died in the Field! 'The Duke of Perth, however, and 6 the other Noblemen, being willing to diffipate his Me-6 lancholy and relieve his Spirits, proposed a Hunting-Match: For, said they, by this Means we may better escape the Search of the Troops, if advancing towards us, or perhaps they may pass by us, as Gentlemen only tak-ing their Diversion: This was agreed to, and they diverted themselves in this Manner for some Days, when they were informed of the March of General Campbel, with a large Body of the Argyleshire Militia from Inverness. Upon which the Chevalier, with the Chiefs who were with him, Sullivan and Sherridan, and about forty others, marched away to Achnacary, where they found Lochiel, who was then under the Care of Dr. Cameron his Brother, for the Cure of his Wounds. Lochiel no sooner saw them, but presently guesting the Truth, hastily asked the Chevalier, what Body of the Royalists it was that they had retired from? 6 The Campbels, said he, and added, And by this

\* Time, I believe, they are at Glengary, for they fet out Yesterday from Inverness.' I thought so, answered Lochiel; for those Men would, surely, not be the last to the ruining of us, as they have done many other brave and loval Clans.' The Chevalier, upon hearing this, would have gone away directly, had not Lochiel assured him, that the Campbels would be very careful to desolate the Places through which they passed. Consider, said he, that Stratherrick and Glengary lie betwixt them and me, and these to be sure, they will sift e're they come to this Place.' He was so far right in his Conjecture, that tho' they behaved civilly enough in the Places where they came, yet they made a very strict Search all over Stratherrick for Lord Lovat, who had left his Abode about two Hours after the Chevalier had taken his Leave of him.

THE Chevalier being prevailed upon by Lochiel's Arguments, sat down to Table, which was plentifully spread with Provisions of all Sorts, and Wine, and other Liquors in Abundance, which the Highlanders get, at a very cheap Rate, from France; for there being no Officers of Excise in those Parts, except at Fort-William, where there is a Garrison, prodigious Quantities of Liquors are run upon that Coast, in Exchange for their Cattle, which they slaugh-

ter and barrel up for that Purpose:

LOCHIEL, however mistaken in his political Notions, was, as hath been before observed, a Gentleman of strict Honour, and inviolably attached to the Chevalier's Interest; with him, therefore, he consulted, what was best to be done in this Emergency. Some advised to fight the Campbels as soon as they came up; others disapproved that Proposal, as it would farther enrage the Enemy, weaken themselves and surnish the Campbels with Pretences to disposes them of their Goods and Chattels, which they would enjoy as a Reward of their Service. After much Debate, it was concluded to sculk about in a Body, till the promised Succours from France arrived. 'But, said Lochiel, since the Enemy is so very near us, let us live as well as possible in the mean Time, lest those come to take up our Goods,

who will give us little or no Thanks for them. Mean

while my Clan may be driving their Cattle to the securest

Places, and my Servants concealing my most valuable

Effects.

THE Camerons took his Advice, and drove their Cattle into Places of the greatest Sasety, and then went down Morvain

Morvain, and drew themselves into a Body, as by their Chief they were directed. In the mean Time his Servants buried his Plate, and best Furniture in the Caves and Hollows that were about his House; which being done, and the Enemy approaching, the whole Company lest the House, which was soon afterwards burnt down to the Ground.

Some Time after, a Party of Brigadier Houghton's Regiment coming to Acknacary, and finding every Thing defolated and destroy'd, and Nobody to be seen, search'd for the Treasure, which, they supposed, might be hid thereabouts; but, probably would have lost their Labour, had they not spied the Gardener, who being anxious for the Sasety of his Master's Effects, lurk'd about the Place. Him they secured and examined; but on his pretending Ignorance, they tied him to two Halberts, and lashed him on the naked Back with Rods, till the Smart forced him to discover the Place of Concealment, where they sound the hidden Treasure, and then dismiss'd the Man to his Master to acquaint him with what he had seen and suffered.

In the mean Time, Lochiel, with the Chevalier and his Retinue, having left Achnacary, were come to the Green of Keppoch, and took up his Lodgings in that Chief's House; where he was no sooner arriv'd, but his Ears were pierced with the Cries and Lamentations of a widow and fix fatherless Children; for Keppoch was dead of the wounds he received at the Battle of Culloden, and his Clan were just return'd from the Funeral of their Master. This mournful Scene afflicted the Chevalier to the very Soul, and melted his whole Retinue into Tears. Lochiel however, and the two Irish Favourites, endeavour'd to argue him into a better Sense of Things, and said, it was below the Dignity of a Man, and unworthyof a Christian, to indulge an Excess of Grief in the Day of Adversity. and the Chevalier, recollecting his fcatter'd Spirits, faid, 'We must e act and not mourn; and I think it is proper, that these · People (pointing to the Macdonalds of Keppoch) should opin with the Camerons, and keep in a Body, till an Opportunity offers, either of making Head against the Usurper's Forces, or else getting over to France, where I shall be sure to get them incorporated with the Scots and Irish Regiments in the Pay of that Crown.' This Proposal was approved; and after the whole Company had refresh'd

themselves with a plentiful Dinner, the Servants of Keppoch

were ordered to carry away and secrete the most valuable Effects in the House, which they did so effectually, that the Royalists could never find them, tho' the House was burnt to the Ground.

The Chevalier and his Chiefs, in the mean while, held a fresh Consultation, in which they came to the following Resolution. That Lochiel, with the Camerons and Macings from France, while the Chevalier, with his Favouings from France, while the Chevalier, with his Favouintes, Sullivan, Sheridan, and others, were to traverse
the Isle, and endeavour to raise such a Force, as with
the Succour from abroad, might enable him to make a
Stand. The next Morning they set out for Glenphillin,
where, at his first Landing, the Camerons erected his
Standard. Here they made a Cave the place of their Refidence, placed at proper Distances, for Six Miles round.
They were provided with every Thing for the Support of
Life; but the Chevalier being uneasy in his Mind, after
three Days Abode there, set out for the Isles.

IMMEDIATELY after the Battle of Culloden, the Duke of Cumberland issued a Proclamation, promising Mercy to those who peaceably subsisted, and threatening Vengeance to those that were refractory; which had such an Effect, that great Numbers laid down their Arms, and were sent quietly to their own Homes. So that by the 20th of May, most of the Clans, together with many of their Chiefs, had embraced the Duke's Terms; and scarce any continued in Arms, except the Camerons, some of the

Macdonalds of Keppoch, and John Roy Steuart.

Lochiel remained a considerable Time in the Cave, while the Chevalier wandered up and down the Country, suffering many Evils, and in continual Danger of falling into the Hands of his Enemies; yet still looking out for some French Ship that might carry him away. At length a small Schooner of about 18 or 20 Tons, arrived in the Harbour of Flota, in the Isle of South Uist, where the Chevalier, his Friend Lochiel, and Dr. Cameron happen'd then to be. In this Vessel they joyfully embark'd, and the next Morning, which was September 17, they set Sail for Bologn, where, after a quick Passage, they safely arrived, to the Surprize of their Friends, and their own great Satisfaction.

Lochiel had immediately a Regiment given him in the French Army, and the Doctor was made Physician to the fame; and so continued to the Death of his Brother,

which happen'd in September 1748. After this, he was Physician to the Lord Ogilvie's Regiment; now quartered

at Lifte.

Aroun three Years ago a Collection was made among those who were Friends to the Pretender's Cause, for the Support of his unhappy Adherents Abroad. Dr. Cameron then came over to England to receive a Part of those Contributions. Another Collection has been set on Foot for the same Purpose, and the Doctor made Instances to his Friends here in England, for a Part in the same; representing by his Letters that his Pay in the Army was not sufficient to support him and his numerous Family. But after many Sollicitations, not receiving any satisfactory Answer, came over himself; and this was the Business that brought him to Scotland, when he was discovered and brought to London. The Manner of his Apprehension we are well assured was as follows:

On Monday March 26, Dr. Cameron, Brother to Lochiel, who was engaged in the last Rebellion, and attainted, was brought Prisoner to the Castle of Edinburgh; he was taken by a Party of Lord George Beauclerk's Regiment, who was detached from the Fort at Inversaid in Search of him; this Detachment was commanded by one Capt. Graven: They had Information of the House where he was to stay fome Days, but in their March to it, were obliged to pass through two small Villages; at the End of the first they faw a little Girl, who, as foon as she perceived Soldiers, ran as fast as she could; a Serjeant and two or three Men pursued her, but she reached the other Village before they could overtake her; and there she sent off a Boy, who feemed to be placed there to give Intelligence of the Approach of the Soldiers. The Soldiers then pursued the Boy, but finding they were not able to come up with him, the Serjeant called out to his Men to present their Pieces, as if they intended to shoot him: The Boy on this, turning round, begg'd his Life; they fecured him, and then went to the House where the Doctor was, which they beset on all Sides. The Disposition the Captain made was admirable; he with some of his Men marched up to the Front of the House, but was soon discovered from the Window, where he was immediately secured by the Serjeant before-mentioned, who was placed there, as the Capfáih

tain very judiciously suspected the Doctor might attempt an

Escape from that Part of the House.

When he was brought to the Castle here, the Lord Justice Clark, went to him and told him, "You are the only Man in your Circumstances, that ever I had Occasion to speak to, (since I have been engaged in Business) whose Answer to me could be of no Prejudice to him. Because you are to be carried to London, and there are Witnesses ready to appear against you at the Court of King's Bench, to prove that you are the identical Doctor Cameron mentioned in the Bill of Attainder; this, Sir, will condemn you, and you are to have no surther Trial, "This struck him, and after some Pause, he replied, "That he did not come over with a political Design, but only to transact some Affairs relating to Lochiel's Estate."

Among other Methods which the Parliament took to extinguish the Pretender's Hopes for the future, they made an Act to attaint several eminent Persons among the Rebels, in Case they did not surrender themselves to the Government by a Day appointed. None of them, however, that were therein mentioned, came in or surrender'd, except Secretary Murray, who thought to merit the Favour of the Government by becoming Evidence against Lord Lovat. Dr. Cameron was unhappily in the same List, and consequently liable to the Penalty of the Statute whenever he should be taken in the Realms.

AFTER Dr. Cameron had been some Time a Prisoner in Edinburgh Castle, he was convey'd to London; and after his Arrival, was examined before the Council at the Cockpit, where he disowned himself to be the identical Person mentioned in the Bill of Attainder, which obliged the Secretaries to look out for some of those Witnesses, who had given Evidence at the Trials of the Rebels in 1746.

Thursday Morning, May 17, Dr. Cameron was carried from the Tower (attended by several of the Warders and a Party of the Guards) to the Court of King's-Bench, and there arraign'd upon the Act of Attainder passed against him and others, for being in the late Rebellion, and not surrendering in due Time: The four Judges were on the Bench; and the Prisoner not being defirous to give the Court any Trouble, readily acknowledged himself to be the identical Person; whereupon, after due Deliberation, the Lord Chief Justice Lee pronounced the following mov-

ing Sentence; 'You Archibald Cameron of Lochiel, in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, must be removed from hence to his Majesty's Prison of the Tower of Londin, from whence you came, and on Thursday the 7th of fune next your Body to be drawn on a Sledge to the · Place of Execution, there to be hanged, not till you are dead; your Bowels to be taken out, your Body quartered, and your Head cut off, and affixed at the King's Disposal, and the Lord have Mercy on your Soul.' receiving the Sentence, he made a genteel Bow, and only desired he might have Leave to send for his Wife, who with seven Children, entirely dependant on him for Support, are now at Liste in Flanders, which was granted. faid, that in 1746, he came from France to surrender himfelf, agreeable to the Proclamation, but was prevented by an Accident happening in his Family. He behaved with great Resolution before the Court, and answered to every Question with a becoming Decency.

During the Interval between the Sentence and his Execution, his Wife used all possible Means to obtain a Pardon, by delivering a Petition to his Majesty, another to her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, and to several of the Nobility; but without Effect: For on Thursday, June 7th he was conveyed in a Hurdle from the Tower, to Tyburn, and there executed agreeable to his Sentence. His Behaviour was all along firm and intrepid, yet decent and solid, and becoming a Man who expected, yet seared not, the Stroke

of Death.

On Wednesday, Orders were sent to the Tower that the Gates should be shut at Six o'Clock in the Evening, and no Persons whatever admitted thro' after that Hour, to prevent any Attempts that might be made to savour his Es-

cape.

As foon as his Wife arrived from Flanders, she immediately repaired to her Husband in the Tower, who received her with all that Tenderness and Affection, which the Greatness and Solemnity of the Occasion could inspire. The Grief and Anguish of her Soul is much more easily imagined than described. She came to take her last Farewel of him, who, by all the Ties of mutual Affection, was dearer to her than all the World. And as an Aggravation to her Affliction, she not only saw herself about to be deprived of an affectionate Husband, but to be left destitute

children, the dear Pledges of their Loves, must now be exposed to all the Necessities and Casualties of Life, without the Patronage of a kind and indulgent Father to have recourse to for Advice and Assistance. The Consideration of this Train of Evils, now hastening upon her, made such a strong Impression on her Mind, as to force a Flood of Tears from her mournful Eyes. The Doctor comforted her as well as he could, and desired her to use all the Means in her Power to save his Life, which was to present a Petition in his Favour to his Majesty, who, perhaps, might be prevailed upon to save him.

In the Morning of his Execution, she took her last Leave of him, indeed it was a very mournful one, and melted those who saw it into Tears. The Excess of her Grief has so aftected her Senses, that she is now distraction, so great was her Love for her Husband, and so intense her Sorrow for his

fad Catastrophe.

As soon as she was gone, the Doctor put himself in a Readiness to receive the Sheriff and those who were sent to conduct him to his Execution. Accordingly, about Ten o'Clock he was brought out of the Tower, by a Party of the Horse Guards who delivered him to the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex as soon as he was come without the Tower-Gate. He was then put into the Hurdle, to which he was fastened by the Executioner. In this Manner he was drawn thro the City, attended by Sir Richard Glynn, one of the Sheriffs, and under the Care of the Sheriff's-Officers and Constables, to the Place of Execution. Sir Charles Asgill, left the Prisoner at the Tower, and Sir Richard Glynn soliowed the Sledge from the Tower, in his Chariot, to Tyburn.

THE Doctor was dressed in a light coloured Coat, red Wailtcoat and Breeches, and new Bag-wig. In his Passage thro' the Streets, he was observed to look about, as if in Admiration of the vast Multitude of Spectators that crouded the Streets, Windows, and Balconies to see him pass, and bowed to several Persons; about Twelve o'Clock

he arrived at the Place of Execution.

Being arrived at the Place of Execution, and helped into the Cart, he defined to speak with the Sheriff; who being come to him, the Doctor entreated the Favour of him, that he would give Orders to his Officers to let his Body hang till he was quite dead, before the Executioner

begun

begun his further Operation. The Sheriff promifed to oblige him in his Request; and accordingly the Body was permitted to hang sull three Quarters of an Hour, and was not cut down before it was very certain, that

no Life was remaining in him.

He had likewise some Discourse with the Executioner about the Disposal of his Body after Execution was performed, which he desired might be decently put in a Cossin, and conveyed to Mr. Stephenson's the Undertaker, and that his Cloaths might be given to his Friends, in lieu of which, that he might not lose his usual Perquisite, he bid him take what Money was in his Pockets.

While he was in the Cart, a Gentleman, in a Lay-Habit, came to him, and pray'd with him for about a Quarter of an Hour, and then left him to his private Devotions. From this Incident, the Spectators imagined that the Doctor was a Roman Catholick, and that the Gen-

tieman who pray'd with him, was a Priest

But whatever his Religion was, he died with great Steadiness, Constancy, and Resolution, without any visible Alteration in his Countenance or Behaviour; but perfectly resign'd to the Will of Heaven, and chearfully acquiescing with the Sentence which the Laws of his Country had passed upon him.

HE made no publick Profession of his Faith, nor declared what Religion he was of; nor did he address the People in a Speech; nor did he give any Letters or Papers to the Sheriss, or any other Gentleman present at the Execution: So that if any Thing of this Kind should here-

after be publish'd, we may look upon it as spurious.

His Body being taken down from the Gallows, the Executioner cut off the Head, and took out the Bowels, but did not quarter the Body. His Body and Head were put into a Coffin, with this Inscription upon it, Dr. Archibald Cameron, Suffer'd the 7th of June, 1753, Aged 46. A Hearse convey'd it to Mr. Stephenson's Undertaker, opposite Exeter Change.

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