

rupted purity, the noble establishments which the wisdom of our ancestors had formed, by giving permanency to those blessings which they have left to us as our best inheritance. We have all a concern in maintaining them all: but if all those, who are more particularly engaged in some of those establishments, and who have a peculiar trust in maintaining them, were wholly to decline all marks of their concurrence and opinion, it might give occasion to malicious people to suggest doubts, whether the representation I had given was really expressive of the sentiments of the people on those subjects. I am obliged to those Gentleman for having removed the ground of those doubts.

I have the honour to be, &c.

EDMUND BURKE.

Duke-street, St. James's,
Dec. 22, 1790.

March 1.

The Empress of Russia, the 8th ult. on appointing General Baron d'Ingelstrom her Ambassador to the Court of Sweden, assigned him 20,000 roubles salary, 24,000 roubles for his table, and the sum of 15,000 roubles to procure his equipages, and fit himself out for the occasion. In this embassy he will be accompanied by four gentlemen.

Our Saturday's letters from the Baltick, contain no pacific information. The preparations making by all the Northern powers indicate, that the next campaign between the Russians and Turks will be a more bloody one than that which disgraced the annals of 1790.

The King of Prussia, and the Imperial Leopold, are drawn no nearer together by any bond of amity, than they were last Spring. The discontents of the Liegeois, and the politics of Poland, are the chief grounds of dissatisfaction; and will, probably, soon drive them into actual hostilities.

A mechanic called Francis Nunez, died in the month of November last, at Caldas, in Portugal, aged 119 years. Above 10 persons have died this year in that kingdom, each above 100 years old.

On Tuesday last Sir Richard Pepper Arden was robbed of his watch and purse on Finchley Common by two highwaymen, who are said to have enquired with the utmost civility, whether the watch was a family piece, and to have received a very candid answer, that it was not.

On the 2d of December, the wife of one Dubarry, a cooper, at Bourdeaux, was delivered at five months of a boy and four girls. They were all christened, and died

the next day. Their bodies were shewn for four days, to gratify the curiosity of the public. The mother is well, and felt no unusual uneasiness during her pregnancy.

Another attempt at the great desideratum of an universal language in the learned world, has been made by Professor Wolfe, of Petersburg, who has invented a language destitute of words, that immediately expresses the ideas, and fills the imagination with images and perceptions.

It does not take up a fifth of the space of any known language, and can easily be taught in any country where there are Jews, Turks, or Christians, or where the Bible or Koran is read.

It is not unpleasant to the ear; has no irregularities, no declensions, and only one extremely simple conjugation. Proper names persons and places may be accurately expressed by it, without the help of words or letters, and it may be conveniently read from left to right, or from right to left at pleasure.

The German Journal that mentions this interesting discovery has raised the curiosity of all the Philologists in Europe.

The General Election of the New National Assembly of France will take place in May.

DOMESTIC AFFAIRS.

Halifax, March 24.

ON Friday the 18th instant, a horrid murder was committed at Lunenburg, on the bodies of Frederic Emmino, his wife, and grand child, a girl about fourteen years of age, all French people. It is supposed, the house was robbed, after the murder was committed, it being burned to ashes, with the dead bodies of its inhabitants. Emmino's hat was found about six yards from the house, with a quantity of blood near it. It is thought he had notes of hand in the house to the amount of 500l.

Two men have since been apprehended who are supposed to have been the perpetrators of this inocking deed.

DEATHS.

March 17. Mr. James Wilkins, aged 47
19. Miss Margaret Dicky, aged 26.
20. Mrs. Margaret Sharp, aged 51.
21. Mr. James Lownds, aged 67.
30. Mr. Alexander Ross, aged 59.