

horses. Although he travelled in his own coach, the Landlord positively refused him: he remonstrated with him and told him, that he was *Counsellor Garrow*. The Landlord told him, *he did not believe him*, and he should have no horses from him. He then requested a horse for his position to go to town; this, was refused, till he consented to leave his carriage in pledge for the return of the horse (he happening not to have enough of money about him). He then heard the Landlord give orders pretty loudly to the hostler, "do not let that carriage go out of the yard till the horse comes back. That man says he is *Counsellor Garrow*, but I believe he is a *d—d liar*."

Such, said Mr. GARROW, is my power, of obtaining credit, and if Mr. ERSKINE would stake his cause on that issue, he would as surely lose it, as he will now, by the direction of the Court, in point of law, and the verdict of the Jury on the facts.—Verdict for Plaintiff £22 10s.

#### CLERKENWELL SESSIONS.

*Baptista Bestazzi* was indicted for selling Obscene Prints. The prosecution was carried on against the Prisoner by the Society for the suppression of vice.

Mr. KNOWLES very ably conducted the prosecution: he endeavoured to impress upon the minds of the Jury the enormity of the offence with which the Prisoner was charged, as it was the corrupting the minds of youth, which were seldom reformed after.

The principal evidence was a man of the name of *Robert Gray*, who was employed by the Society to trace

out offenders of this and a similar nature. It appeared from his evidence, that he met the Prisoner by accident some time since, and observing him with a port-folio under his arm, with prints in it, he asked the prisoner if he had them for sale? The Prisoner informing him that he had, he looked at them. He then asked the Prisoner if he could not get some obscene prints, as he could recommend him to a Captain who was going to the East-Indies, and he would take a number, which the Prisoner agreed to, and a day of September last the Prisoner attended at the Mermaid at Hackney by appointment, when Gray met him, and introduced a man to him by the name of Captain Brown, but who was an officer belonging to Worship-street Office. The Prisoner produced a number of prints out of his port-folio; some of them were obscene, and others not. The pretended Captain Brown purchased two of the obscene prints at three shillings each.—The Prisoner, at taking so little money, and selling his prints for such a low price, said it would not have been worth his while to come that distance, if he did not serve three or four *Boarding-Schools* in that neighbourhood, where he got half-a-guinea for similar prints. Some time since he was obliged to leave Eton for selling some obscene prints to the scholars. Gray had several meetings with the Prisoner on the business. He called several times upon the Prisoner at his lodgings in Little Turnstile, Holborn, and purchased some himself, when at length he told him that he could recommend him to a friend of Capt. Brown, who was going to India, and would purchase a quantity of them. The 8th of September was the day appointed for him to meet the Gentleman at a public house, in Chiswell-street, when an Officer belonging to Worship-street