

A LETTER, &c.

The first institution I shall take into consideration, is the Police Office; and as I intend to go into *facts*, respecting the whole institutions, that shall come under review, I shall not descend to have the sheets of this pamphlet polluted by any falsehood; but on the contrary, to have them supported by facts, which cannot be controverted nor contradicted.

This Police Office, to do it justice, I must call it a scene and sink of iniquity, infamy, corruption and pollution; and calls loudly for a reform in the most essential branches of it. To effect a reform in this highly necessary office, the immense salary of its clerk, which is 300*l.* per. annum, ought to be reduced, and a proportion of this reduction ought to be given to the Police Constables; for exclusive of this, the Clerk of this Police Office exacts for each writ issued for assaults, thefts, &c. 2*s.* 6*d.* Now how can it be expected, that the Police Officers, obtaining this paltry sum of about 26*l.* per year, will ever faithfully and effectually execute the trust reposed in them? The very contrary is to be expected, from the insignificance of their salaries; and by reducing the salary of the clerk and raising theirs, more good will be done for the protection of lives and property, than has ever yet been accomplished by the fertile head, and delicate hands of this truly valuable Clerk.

I shall now take notice of the whole body politic of the magistrates; and shall show to you the various changes, I intend to bring against them.

First, receiving money sufficient from the rents of the public buildings, lots leased on the common, beef market, fish market, truckmen's licenses, general