

with instruments for cultivating the ground, which is represented as remarkably fertile.

In each ship are accommodations for forty or fifty artificers and husbandmen, who are going to settle in the country under the protection of the company.

It is supposed that by the beginning of the ensuing year, the company will have 2000 acres planted with sugar canes. The natives of the country are to be engaged to work for hire, and to the people who go out from hence tracts of land are to be assigned. Every man is to have twenty acres; if he has a wife, he is to have ten more; and for each child an additional five acres.

It is reported, that the Dutch sold out above L. 700,000, from our funds on Tuesday; notwithstanding which, the stocks rose.

The poor laws, and the evils they produce among the people, are at length beginning to receive some small check by local arrangements of different districts. The burthens upon the people, for the payment of interest on the national debt, by the wisdom and humanity of former governments do not exceed seventeen millions—while for the poor rates alone above L. 31,000,000. Sterling are now drained from the people!—At such enormity of oppression, the smallest partial redress ef-

fect must be acceptable tidings to the community. At Shrewsbury, by introducing invariably a plan of systematic labour, they make the poor earn more than they spend. At Wrexham no pauper is relieved that keeps a dog. At Norton in Staffordshire, no pauper is relieved who drinks tea and sugar.

The Shrewsbury economy on the poor rates is thus remarkable;—there are six parishes in the town—the expence of one of them, under the mischievous authority of the poor laws, was L. 2700 a-year—at present the whole six parishes do not spend L. 2600 a-year.

A very splendid embassy to the Emperor of China, is about to be sent from this country, and Lord Macartney has had the offer of being appointed to it.

The Swallow packet which has been so anxiously looked for from India has at last reached England.

Intelligence of this kind was received lately in the city and was announced at the India House.

About three weeks ago, a farmer in the parish of Borthwick, Scotland, sold 100 lambs to a butcher in Edinburgh for 100 guineas. Last year he did the same.

The many alarming fires that have taken place in this city of late through carelessness, call for the serious attention of the inhabitants.