

Months ago, are returned to Lisbon; which Delays, as is assured, proceed from the great Difficulties started between the two Courts in some Matters of Importance. On the 31st past their Catholick Majesties came from the Pardo to the Palace here, and according to Custom celebrated in the Palace Chapel Candlemas-Day, which was Yesterday, and in the Afternoon went to pay their Devotions to the Holy Virgin of Atocha; from whence they returned to the Pardo, where they will reside some few Weeks longer. Count Conigseck, the Emperor's Minister here has been some time laid up with the Gout; he was visited on Saturday last by the Marquis de la Paz, who was come hither with their Catholick Majesties, and returned with them Yesterday to the Pardo. Some Days ago this Court dispatched a Courier to the Count de las Torres, ordering him to carry on with all possible Speed his Preparations for making the Siege of Gibraltar; and to open the Trenches before that Place so soon as the Artillery shall be arrived; notwithstanding the strong Representations signed by all the General Officers (except the said Count de las Torres) in a Council of War held on the 16th past, and sent up to his Catholick Majesty, setting forth the Impossibility of taking that Place by the Land Side, and that the attacking of it on the Sea Side was become as impracticable, since the Arrival of Admiral Hopson with the British Squadron. Letters from the Spanish Camp of the 25th past relate, that the Brass Artillery still lay upon the Road from Cadiz, because of the great Rains; and that the General himself was gone to find Means to bring it up to the Camp; but that 40 Pieces of Iron Cannon, with other warlike Materials, were arrived at Algezira in small Vessels from Cadiz, under the Convoy of three Gallies, without having been disturbed by the British Men of War in the Bay. Letters from Cadiz of the 28th past advise, that that Garrison is left almost Defenceless, all the heavy Artillery having been removed towards the Camp, so that they have been obliged to mount upon the Ramparts a few old Iron Cannon, from Nine to Twelve Pounders; that the Place is also very thin of Men, four Battalions being gone to Ceuta and others to the said Camp; that the Advice Boat having received the last Dispatches from Court, sailed on the 23d past for the Havana, and from thence for Cartagena; and that 50 small Vessels were lading more Iron Artillery and Military Stores for

Algezira. Letters from Malaga of the 28th past relate, that the Commanding Officer there, in pursuance of Orders from the Count de las Torres, had seized all small Vessels, hiring them by the Month, and was sending them to Algezira, in order, as was given out, to transport Fascines to the Camp; that a Decree had been published, prohibiting on Pain of Death, all manner of Communication and Correspondence with Gibraltar, and the carrying thither any kind of Provision; and that another Decree had been published, permitting the transporting of all sorts of Provisions by Sea to the Camp (which before had been prohibited) and that there, as well as what went by Land for the said Camp, the same should pay no Duties.

The Circuits appointed for the *Lent-Asizes*, are as follow.

Norfolk Circuit.

Lord Chief Justice *Raymond*
Mr. Baron *Comyns*.

Bucks, Monday *March 6*, at *Aylesbury*.
Bedford, Thursday *March 9*, at the Town of *Bedford*.
Huntingdon, Saturday *March 11*, at the Town of *Huntingdon*.
Cambridge, Monday *March 13*, at the Castle of *Cambridge*.
Norfolk, Thursday *March 16*, at *Thetford*.
Suffolk, Monday *March 20*, at *Bury St. Edmunds*.

Home Circuit.

Lord Chief Justice *Eyre*.
Mr. Justice *Probyn*.

Hertford, Monday *March 6*, at the Town of *Hertford*.
Essex, Wednesday *March 8*, at *Chelmsford*.
Kent, Tuesday *March 14*, at *Maidstone*.
Suffex, Monday *March 20*, at *East-Grinted*.
Surrey, Thursday *March 23*, at *Guildford*.

Midland Circuit.

Lord Chief Baron *Pengelly*.
Mr. Baron *Carter*.

Northampton, Tuesday *March 7*, at *Northampton*.
Rutland, Friday *March 10*, at *Oakham*.
Lincoln, Monday *March 13*, at the Castle of *Lincoln*.
City of *Lincoln*, the same Day at the City of *Lincoln*.
Nottingham, Friday *March 17*, at *Nottingham*.
Town of *Nottingham*, Saturday *March 18*, at the Town of *Nottingham*.
Derby, Tuesday *March 21*, at *Derby*.
Leicester, Friday *March 24*, at the Castle of *Leicester*.
Borough of *Leicester*, Saturday *March 25*, at the Borough of *Leicester*.
City of *Coventry*, Tuesday *March 28*, at the City of *Coventry*.
Warwick, the same Day at *Warwick*.

Northern Circuit.

Mr. Justice *Price*.
Mr. Justice *Reynolds*.

City of *York*, Monday *March 13*, at the Guildhall of the same City.
York, the same Day at the Castle of *York*.
Lancaster, Saturday *March 25*, at the Castle of *Lancaster*.