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Mr. Zenger;

The following Piece, taken from the Guardian, I believe will be entertaining to many of your Readers; therefore you are desired to insert it in your Journal.

libelli Stoici inter sericos  
jacere pulvillos amant.

Hor.

I Have often wondered that Learning is not thought a proper Ingredient in the Education of a Woman of Quality or Fortune. Since they have the same improveable Minds as the male Part of the Species, why should they not be cultivated by the same Method? Why should Reason be left to it self in one of the Sexes, and be disciplined with so much Care in the other.

There are Reasons why Learning seems more adapted to the female World, than to the Male. As in the first Place, because they have more spare Time upon their Hands, and lead a more sedentary Life. Their Employments are of a domestic Nature, and not like those of the other Sex, which are often inconsistent with Study and Contemplation. The excellent Lady, the Lady Lizard, in the Space of one Summer furnish'd a Gallery with Chairs and Couches of her own and her Daughters Working; and at the same Time heard all Doctor Tillotson's Sermons twice over. It is always the Custom for one of the young Ladies to read while the others are at Work; so that the Learning of the Family is not at all

Prejudicial to its Manufactures. I was mightily pleas'd the other Day, to find them all busie in preserving several Fruits of the Season, with the Sparkler in the midst of them, reading over the Plurality of Worlds. It was very entertaining to see them dividing their Speculations between Fellies and Stars, and making a sudden Transition from the Sun to an Apricot, or from the Copernican System to the Figure of a Cheese-cake.

A second Reason why Women should apply themselves to useful Knowledge rather than Men, is because they have that natural Gift of Speech in greater Perfection. Since they have so excellent a Talent, such a Copia Verborum, or Plenty of Words, 'tis Pity they should not put it to some Use. If the female Tongue will be in Motion, why should it not be set to go right? Could they discourse about the Spots in the Sun, it might divert them from publishing the Faults of their Neighbours: Could they talk of the different Aspects and Conjunctions of the Planets, they need not be at the Pains to comment upon Oglings and Clandestine Marriages. In short, were they furnish'd with Matters of Fact out of Arts and Sciences, it would now and then be of great Ease to their Invention.

There is another Reason why those especially who are Women of Quality, should apply themselves to Letters, because their Husbands are generally Strangers to them.

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It is great Pity there should be no Knowledge in a Family. For my own Part, I am concerned when I go into a great House, where perhaps there is not a single Person that can spell, unless it be by Chance the Butler, or one of the Footmen. What a Figure is the young Heir likely to make, who is a Dunce both by Father and Mother's Side.

If we look into the Histories of famous Women, we find many eminent Philosophers of this Sex. Nay, we find that several Females have distinguished themselves in those Sects of Philosophy which seem almost repugnant to their Natures. There have been famous Female Pythagoreans, notwithstanding most of that Philosophy consisted in keeping a Secret, and that the Disciple was to hold her Tongue for five Years together. I need not mention Portia, who was a Stoick in Petticoats: Nor Hipparchia, the famous Sbe Cynick, who arrived at such a Perfection in her Studies, that she conversed with her Husband, or Man-plant, in broad Day-light, and in the open Streets.

Learning and Knowledge are Perfections in us, not as we are Men, but as we are reasonable Creatures, in which Order, of Beings the Female World is upon the same Level with the Male. We ought to consider in this Particular, not what is the Sex, but what is the Species to which they belong. At least, I believe every one will allow me, that a Female Philosopher is not so absurd a Character, and so opposite to the Sex, as a Female Gamester; and that it is more irrational for a Woman to pass away half a Dozen Hours at Cards or Dice, than in getting up Stores of useful Learning. This therefore is another Reason why I would recommend the Studies of Knowledge to the Female World, that they may not be at a loss how to employ those Hours that lie upon their Hands.

I might also add this Motive to my fair Readers, that several of their Sex, who have improved their Minds by Books and Literature, have raised themselves to the highest Posts of Honour and Fortune. A neighbouring Nation may at this Time

furnish us with a very remarkable Instance of this Kind; but I shall conclude this Head with the History of Athenais, which is a very signal Example to my present Purpose.

The Emperor Theodosius being about the Age of one and Twenty, and designing to take a Wife, desired his Sister Pulcheria and his Friend Paulinus to search the whole Empire for a Woman of the most exquisite Beauty and highest Accomplishments. In the midst of this Search Athenais, a Grecian Virgin, accidentally offered her self. Her Father who was an eminent Philosopher at Athens, and had bred her up in all the Learning of that Place, at his Death left her but a very small Portion, in which also she suffered great Hardships from the Injustice of her two Brothers. This forced her upon a Journey to Constantinople, where she had a Relation who represented her Case to Pulcheria, in order to obtain some Redress from the Emperor. By this Means that religious Princess became acquainted with Athenais, whom she found the most beautiful Woman of her Age, and educated under a long Course of Philosophy in the strictest Virtue, and most unspotted Innocence. Pulcheria was charmed with her Conversation, and immediately made her Reports to the Emperor her Brother Theodosius. The Character she gave made such an Impression on him, that he desired his Sister to bring her away immediately to the Lodgings of his Friend Paulinus, where he found her Beauty and her Conversation beyond the highest Idea he had framed of them. His Friend Paulinus converted her to Christianity, and gave her the Name of Eudolia; after which the Emperor publicly espoused her, and enjoyed all the Happiness in his Marriage which he promised himself from such a virtuous and learned Bride. She not only forgave the Injuries which her two Brothers had done her, but raised them to great Honours; and by several Works of Learning, as well as by an exemplary Life, made her self so dear to the whole Empire, that she had many Statues erected to her Memory, and is celebrated by the Fathers of the Church as the Ornament of her Sex.

## FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

HAGUE, Jan. 18. N. S.

The Sovereign Court of Holland, Zealand, &c. cauled a Sentence to be executed yesterday, which does Honour to their Equity not to be corrupted; Mynheer Peeters, Son-in-Law to the late Secretary of Sate Beaumont, and Brother to their High Mightinesses late Intendant in the Austrain Netherlands, allied to the Lord \*\*\*\*\*, who married his Brother's Wife's Sister, and Counsellor of the Domains of the Succession of the late King William, having been condemned to have the Sabre passed over his Head, and to be imprisoned for Life, after he had paid a Fine of 20,000 Florines, and another of 12,000 Florines to the Poor. He was convicted of having produced, in a Law-Suit between him and a Person of Honour, whom his Son had chafed and defamed, several forged Letters which charged such a Series of horrid Crimes upon that young Gentleman, as would have rendered him worthy of the severest Punishment, had he committed but Quarter-Part of them. All the Criminal's Interest, and his numerous and powerful Alliance, could not therefore screen him from the Shame of the Publick Scaffold; but he appeared there with a Grandeur becoming Innocence only.

Dublin, Jan. 28. From Mourne near Newry, we have from a Person of Varacity, who had the Curiosity to go and see the Wife of one George Watson, a Smith at Maghara near Dundrum, in the County of Down, who about 5 Weeks ago had a dead Child cut out of her Belly, and is again walking about and following her Business as formerly, the Wound being healed up. She says, she is very positive that the Child had been in her a Year and a Half after it had first quickned; and it appears by the Bones, that the Child was come to its full Time and Growth; the Flesh was turned into a black Jelly, and had tinged the Bones all black. She never felt the Child stir after she came to the end of her Reckoning, nor felt any Pain, untill about six Weeks ago, when a Tumour gathered in her Groin, and she sent for a Surgeon, who applied Things to make it brezk, and about 8 Days after made an Incision, and extracted first the Head, and after all the other Bones at different Times, the Ligaments being so rotten, that it could not be brought away at once.

LONDON, Jan. 25.

It is written from Italy, by yesterday's Male, that on the one hand the Germans threaten to attack Guastala the first fair Weather, and the Allies on the other say they will take Mantua, drive the Germans over the Alps, and then attack Trieste and Piume, the Emperor's Ports in the Adriatick.

At Cremona the Sickness makes such a Havock, that they talk of burying 100 a Day.

And at Turin they write, that there are 19,000 in the Hospitals of that City.

The People of Vienna have heard with Concern and Surprize, that the Reinforcement of 3000 Turks were come into Bosnia, with a Train of 100 Pieces of Cannon, and old Bonneval at their Head.

By raising Men in Italy [and Switzerland, it is computed that the King of Naples may keep 30,000 Men on Foot in the Kingdom of Naples, 20,000 in Sicily, and send 33,000 to Lombardy 15,000 whereof are actually marching thither.

The Czarina's Land-Forces are ordered to be made up at least 200,000 Men.

Feb. 4. We hear that Orders have been issued from the War Office to all the Colonels of his Majesty's Regiments of Horse, Foot and Dragoons, requiring them to complete their respective Regiments with all proper Expedition.

Feb. 15. 'Tis assur'd, that the French are preparing to have a large Fleet at Sea in the Spring, as are likewise the Spaniards. The Number of Ships fitting out in the Ports of the two Kingdoms, amount to 65 of the Line, besides Gallies.

Some Letters from Vienna mention, that the Duke of Lorrain was about to leave the Imperial Court to return to his own Dominions; 'tis assur'd, however, that he has obtained leave that his Regiment of Foot which is in the Emperor's Service, shall neither be employed on the Rhine or in Italy, but remain only in Garrison in Hungary.

The Sum which the Emperor is said to have already precured, towards the Expence of the next Campaign, amounts to about Three Millions Sterling. Magazines are erecting in Italy, and all possible precautions used to supply the Army effectually with Provisions.

'Tis said the Pope has wrote to the King of France, to admonish him to use his good Offices with the Grand Signior, to prevent his making War with Christendom.

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Feb. 17. They write from Mecklenberg, that the Troops of the Imperial Commission having laid Siege to Schweine, Capital of the Dutchy of Micklenberg, the Duke, after all his Declarations of abiding in the Place, and sharing the Fate of the Inhabitants, as soon as the Bombs began to burst about his Ears, thought proper to make his Escape, and retired to Lubeck, whereupon the People very wisely surrender'd: The Castle, however, holds out as yet.

Feb. 22 The Earl Waldegrave is set out for Paris, and in a few Days the Earl of Essex will return to the Court of Turin, and Horace Walpole, Esq; to the Hague. Several Conferences have been lately held between the Emperors Ambassador, the Spanish Ambassador and the Ministers of France and Sardinia, and on Wednesday last Couriers were dispatched to their several Courts with the Result of those Conferences, which is said to be a Plan for adjusting all Differences.

WARSAW, Feb. 12.

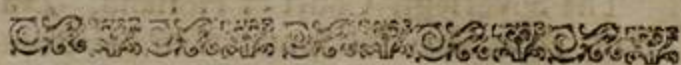
This Morning the Queen was brought to bed of a Princess to whom the Empress of Russia and the eldest Archduchess, Daughter to the Emperor, will stand Godmothers, and the Elector Palatine Godfather.

Berlin, Feb. 22: On Thursday last the Prince of Lichtenstein, who is charged with a particular Commission from the Emperor to the King of Prussia, arrived here, and the Sunday following he went to Potsdam, where the Court of Bevern was expected yesterday Evening. M. Bestuchef, who is appointed by the Czarina to succeed M. Brackel at the Court of Copenhagen, passed through this Place yesterday, in his way to that Court.

NEW-YORK, May, 13.

On Tuesday last one William Cullen was committed to Goal here for dangerously wounding Daniel Mesnard, the Son of Daniel Mesnard Taylor, of this City. It appear'd upon Examination that there was some Difference between William Cullen and Mr. Mesnard, and that William Cullen by some provoking Expressions exasperated young Mesnard so as to come into the Street and take hold of him, and that in the Scuffle the said William Cullen cut Mesnard with a Razor, and gave him three large Incision Wounds upon his Forehead and Face, and

a very large deep transverse Wound upon his left Loyn: Mrs. Mesnard in striving to part her Son and Cullen received a large Gash in her Hand, and Cullen's Wife was wounded in one of her Arms.



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Inward Entries.

Ship Beaver, Tho. Smith, from London. Brig. Benjamin, Tho. Hollaway, from Dover. Sloop, James and Henry, Tho. Thache, from Madeira. Brig Jolly, Abr. Skinner from Teneriffe Canary Islands. Sloop Royal Ranger, Rich. Fowle, from Coracoa. — Hester, Nich. Garison, from St. Thomas. Brig. Jamaica Packet, Jacobus Kiersede, from Jamaica. Sloop Neptune, Edw. Lightwood, Schooner Judith and Rebecah, John Clerk, from S. Carolina.

Outward Entries.

Sloop Sarah, Rob. Ratley, for Antegoa. — Adventure. Pet. Kearney, for Jamaica. — Endeavour, Tho. Pruden, for Coracoa. — Good Will Abr. Eight, for N. Carolina. Pink Atlantic, John Collins, for Perth Amboy. Brig. Thomas, John Stephens, Ship Beaver, Tho. Smith, for London, Sloop William and Mary, W. Beckman for Boston.

Cleared for Depature.

Brig. Union. Hen. Lawrence, to Antigoa. Brig. St. Peter, John Hunt, to Jamaica. Sloop Albany, John Davis, to Madeira. — John and Mary, John Ho's, to N. Carolina. — Good Intent, W. Griffith, to Boston.

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