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Miscellaneous works Of The Late Philip Dormer Stanhope, Earl Of Chesterfield

Consisting Of Letters to his Friends, never before printed, And Various
Other Articles

**Chesterfield, Philip Dormer Stanhope of
Dublin, 1777**

Notes Of Section VI.

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NOTES OF SECTION VI.

[1] **ARTHUR**'s Chocolate-house, formerly White's, from whence many of the Tatlers are dated. Lord Chesterfield being once asked, Why he never was seen at routs and assemblies? answered, That he never went to conventicles where there was an established church.

[2] Letters to Mr. Dayrolles, p. 342.

[3] French Letters in this collection, p. 85, 109.

[4] Letters to Mr. Dayrolles, p. 336.

[5] French Letters in this collection, p. 113.

[6] Ibid. p. 179—181.

[7] From private information.

[8] Letters to his son, vol. I. Lett. CXIX.

[9] Letters to Mr. Dayrolles, p. 335.

[10] Letters to his son, vol. I. Lett. CXXII.

[11] Ibid. vol. I. p. 350.

[12] "Few things would mortify me more than to see you bearing a part in a concert with a fiddle under your chin, or a pipe in your mouth." Ibid. vol. I. p. 366.

[13] Ibid. letter CLXXX.

[14] Ibid. vol. II. p. 425.

[15] This expression is frequently used in lord Chesterfield's letters to his son.

[16] The duke de Nivernois. Letters to his son, vol. I. p. 498.

[17, 18] In this collection, vol. II.

[19] Lord Chesterfield had, with some difficulty, succeeded in procuring him a prebend of Windsor.

[20] Mr. Stanhope was now nineteen years old, a time of life when these exertions became particularly necessary.

[21] For

[21] For the post of resident at Venice. See p. 202. of these Memoirs.

[22] " Lord Macclesfield, who had the greatest share
" in forming the bill, and who is one of the greatest ma-
" thematicians and astronomers in Europe, spoke after-
" wards with infinite knowledge and all the clearness that
" so intricate a matter would admit of; but as his words,
" his periods, and his utterance were not near so good as
" mine, the preference was most unanimously, though
" most unjustly, given to me." Letters to his son, vol. II.
p. 118.

[23] French letters in this collection, p. 213.

[24] Marquis de Botta.

[25] Letters LXXVII. to Mr. Dayrolles in this collection.

[26] Letters to his son, vol. II. Lett. LXXXVII.

[27] French letters in this collection, p. 207.

[28] Ibid. p. 213.

[29] Letters to Mr. Dayrolles, p. 395.

[30] Letters to his son, vol. II. Lett. LXXX.

[31] Ibid. Lett. LXXII.

[32] Ibid. Lett. LXXVIII.

[33] Ibid. Lett. LXXX.

[34] Ibid. Lett. LXXXI.

[35] This gentleman signalized himself in the last war in America, and was second in command to Monsieur de Montcalm, governor of Canada. The account of his voyage round the world since that time may be seen in two publications; one by Dom. Pernetty, and the other more at large by himself.

[36] The original and translation are both found in this collection of miscellaneous pieces, p. 276—281.

[37] Lord Pawlett.

[38] Ibid. p. 417.

[39] Ibid. p. 418.

[40] Letters to Mr. Dayrolles, p. 422.

[41] Ibid. p. 425.

[42] The actual forces of these powers employed against Great Britain and her ally the king of Prussia, amounted to upwards of 800,000 men, exclusive of the whole maritime power of France.

The Austrian forces were computed at	300,000 men.
The French at	300,000
The Russians employed on this occasion,	150,000
The Saxons,	30,000
The Swedes,	25,000
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In all,	805,000

[43] Letter CX. to his son, vol. II.

[44] Letters to his son, vol. II. letter CIII.

[45] " I see by the news-papers, as well as by your letter, that the difficulty still subsists about your ceremonial at Ratisbon: should they, from pride and folly, prove insuperable, and obstruct your real business, there is one expedient, which may perhaps remove difficulties, and which I have often known practised; but which, I believe, our people here know nothing of: it is to have the character of *minister* only in the ostensible title, and that of envoy extraordinary in your pocket, to produce occasionally, especially if you should be sent to any of the electors in your neighbourhood; or else, in any transaction that you may have, in which your title as envoy-extraordinary may create great difficulties, to have a reversal given you, declaring, that the temporary suspension of that character, *ne donner a pas la moindre atteinte ni à vos droits, ni à vos pretentions.*"

Ibid. letter CXLVII.

[46] Ibid. letter CL.

[47] Ibid. letter CLXXIX. CLXXX. &c,

[48] " You will not be in this parliament, at least not at the beginning of it. I relied too much upon lord C—'s promise, above a year ago at Bath." Ibid. letter CXCIV.

[49] Ibid. letter CXCVI.

[50] He succeeded lord Stormont at the court of Vienna.

[51] Lord Chesterfield having suffered for a long time, and very severely, with the rheumatism, for which he had taken a variety of medicines without receiving any benefit, resolved at last to try the effect of calomel. He took five grains of it, and this producing no sensible alteration, he increased the dose in a day or two to seven. He was presently after seized with a salivation, the symptoms of which

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which ran very high, and which his physician tried in vain to stop. It continued for six weeks; but at the end of that time his lordship was entirely free from his rheumatic pains, and never felt them afterwards.

[52] Letter XXXIX. to the bishop of Waterford, p. 504.

[53] Ibid. letter XLI. p. 507.

[54] Ibid. letter XLVII. p. 514.

[55] Ibid. letter XLVII. p. 514.

[56] Ibid. letter XIII. p. 471.

[57] They are found in the second volume from p. 541. to 549.

[58] So great was lord Chesterfield's influence in Ireland, that I have been informed, no person was ever seen drunk in public during the whole of his administration.

[59] Letters to Mr. Prior, p. 546.

[60] Letter L. to the bishop of Waterford.

[61] This is also the opinion of another philosophic and elegant writer of the present age, who seems to have pursued the same idea. But since Paraguay has been brought under the dominion of Spain, it has appeared, that the empire which these fathers have exercised in that extensive continent, has been founded on the most odious principles of tyranny; and that they had reduced the deluded and barbarous inhabitants of that fertile spot to the most abject state of slavery.

[62] See French letters in this collection, p. 233.

[63] All the estates that came from the late earl to his successor were annexed to the title by his will.

[64] Letter LIX. to the bishop of Waterford.

[65] Mr. D'Eyverdun, a Swiss gentleman of good family and great abilities, recommended to lord Chesterfield by Mr. Dayrolles.

[66] See p. 154. of these memoirs.

[67] Letter XLVIII. to the bishop of Waterford.

[68] Ibid. letter LXI.

[69] The editor is obliged to Mr. Dayrolles for this information, as well as for the communication of several other very material circumstances; and embraces this opportunity

opportunity of making his public acknowledgments to him for his great civilities.

[70] By the death of Sir William Stanhope, the Buckinghamshire estate, amounting to eight thousand pounds *per annum*, which had been given to him by his father on his first marriage, reverted to the earl.

[71] Dr. Warren, physician to the king.

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... which had been given to him by his father
... of his first marriage, revealed to the earl
... [sic] Dr. ... physician to the king.