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C. An Account of an extraordinary Storm of Hail in Virginia. By Francis Fauquier, E/q; Lieutenant Governor of Virginia, and F. R. S. Communicated by William Fauquier, E/q; F. R. S.

To the Rev. Tho. Birch, D. D. Secret. R. S.

SIR,

Read Nov. 9, N a letter I received from my brother, ^{1758.} The lieutenant governor of Virginia, he gives an account of a very remarkable florm of hail; which, if you think it worth communicating to the Society, is very much at their fervice.

It happened on Sunday the 9th of July, about four o' clock in the afternoon, and was preceded by fome thunder and lightning. It was a fmall cloud, that did not feem to threaten much before its breaking, and did not extend a full mile in breadth. It paffed over the middle of the town of Williamsburgh, and the skirts of the town had but little of it. Its courfe was from N. by W. to S. by E. The hailstones, or rather pieces of ice, were most of them of an oblong fquare form; many of them an inch and half long, and about three fourths of an inch wide and deep; and from one fide of most of them there proceeded tharp fpikes, protuberant at leaft half an inch. He fays he cooled his wine, and froze cream, with fome of them the next day; and they were not totally diffolved when he went to bed on Monday

Monday night. This form broke every pane of glass on the north fide his house, and destroyed all his garden things intirely.

He mentions likewife the heats to have been rather more than ufual in that country this fummer; and particularly on the 9th of August his thermometer (which is hung on the outside of his house on the north as at 97, by Fahrenheit's graduation, and some other days as high as 94 or 95. I am,

SIR,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

Jermyn ftreet, 18 October, 1758.

Wm. Fauquier.

CI. An Account of an extraordinary Cafe of a diseased Eye: In a Letter to Matthew Maty, M. D. F. R. S. By Daniel Peter Layard, M. D. F. R. S.

Dear Sir, Huntingdon, 20th May, 1758. Read Nov. 9. IN October 1755. I communicated to 1758. I vou, and you inferted in the laft volume of your *Journal Britannique*, the cafe of Sufannah Earle, of Hemmingford-Grey in this County, who, in confequence of the whooping cough, was afflicted with a protruded eye. The cafe I now fend you, fomewhat fimilar to that young girl's in its first appearance and progrefs, but by accident attended with a fecond difeafe, will perhaps deferve your at-5 C 2 tention.