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A. D. 1316. On the evening of the fixth of Shawal, in the year 716, he gave up that Higen, 716, Which, like a comet, had forced terror and defolation, through

the villein whom he had railed from the duft to power. He reigned

The Reign of SHAB UL DIEN OMAR ben Sultan ALLA UL
DIEN CHILLIGIE.

No the history of Sidder Jehan of Guzerat, we are informed that the A. D. 1316. Higer. 716. Shab ulder day after the death of Sultan Alla uldien, Malleck Cafoor affembled the Omrahs, and produced a spurious testament of the deceased the throne by King, in which he had appointed Shab uldien, the youngest son, his successor, and Cusoor himself regent, during his minority, setting aside the right of primogeniture in the person of Chizer Chan, and the other princes. Shab uldien then, in the seventh year of his age, was placed on the throne, and Casoor began his administration.

The first step which the traitor took, was to send a person to Gualier, Casoor's crutoput out the eyes of Chizer Chan and Shadi Chan. His orders were Princes. inhumanly executed; and the Sultana Malleke Jehan was put into closer consinement, and all her wealth seized. Mubarick Chan, the third son of Alla, was also taken into custody, with an intention to have his eyes put out, like his unhappy brothers.

There is ridicule in what we are to relate. Cafoor, though an Cafoor, tho eunuch, married the mother of Shab ul dien, the Emperor's third an eunuch, marries one wife. But the mother of Mubarick Shaw, Alla ul dien's fecond of the Sulwife, having heard that the regent intended to put out the eyes of her fon, acquainted Shech Nizam ul dien of her intelligence, and he gave her fome hopes that the threatened misfortune should be prevented.

Malleck Cafoor, in the mean time, to cloak his wicked defigns, Sends to put placed the young King every day upon the throne, and ordered the of Mubarick.

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nobles to pay their respects, as usual, to the Emperor. He sent one night some assassing to cut off Mubarick Shaw; but when they entered the apartment of the Prince, he conjured them to remember his father, whose servants they were; then untying a string of rich jewels from his neck, which perhaps had more influence than his intreaties, he gave it them. They immediately abandoned their purpose; but quarrelling about the division of the jewels, when they had got out, it was proposed to carry them to the chief of the footguards, and acquaint him of what the Prince had said, and of their instructions, from Malleck Casoor.

A confpiracy against Cafoor.

The Mubishir *, who owed every thing to the favour of the deceased King, was shocked at the villainy of Casoor, and finding his people of the same sentiments, he immediately formed a conspiracy against the tyrant, and accordingly he and his lieutenant, the Bushier, entered his apartment, in a few hours, and assistanted him, with some of the principal eunuchs, who were attached to his interest. This happened thirty-sive days after the King's death, and thus the world was rid of a monster too horrid to exist among mankind.

He is affaffinated.

Mubarick Chan afcends the throne.

When, with the return of day, the transactions of the night became public, they gave general satisfaction. Mubarick Chan was released from his confinement, and had the reins of government placed in his hand. He however did not immediately assume the throne, but acted for the space of two months, as regent or vizier for his brother, till he had brought over the Omrahs to his interest. He then claimed his birthright to the diadem, deposed his brother, and acceded to the imperial dignity. But, according to the barbarous custom and policy of those days, he deprived Shab ul dien of his eyes, and confined him for life in the fort of Gualier, after he had borne the title of King for three months and some days.

. Chief or commander of the foot-guards

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