

The Devil to pay at *Kensington*;

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The Misers Ghost hovering over his Pelf.

Being a full and true Account of a strange Apparition, that appeared at Sir *Thomas C--y's* Houle in *Kensington*, who lately dyed without a Will, and left Two Hundred Thousand Pounds to be Scrambled for.

If 'tis possible for departed Souls to have any knowledge of the Affairs of this World, or to suffer any Concern for Relations or Friends, or to be under any Uneasiness about the Distribution of their Estates or Effects, which the following Account, may find Credit, even with the Strongest Septick; For surely no Person had ever greater reason to leave the Mansions of the Dead, and visit these Realms of the Living, Man the late Sir, Thomas C--y: Who being prejudic'd and preposes'd agalust makin a Will, or Selling his vast Fortune so as to prevent all future Disputes, dyed without having Sufficient time to recollect himself or naming his Heir; This has caused no small Stir among his Relations, as well as noise throughout the Nation; Those who can prove any Cindred to the Deceased, lay claim to a Moiety of his Estate; And as the relations are humerous, there is the most Epact cure, and nice Order to do Justice to all.

When af er a long Search, no Will, or Deed disposing of his Estate could be found, the Nearest Relations applyed to the Commons for Letters of Administration; Whereupon the Commons apyoiated a Commission, Impowering Twelve persons, to inspect into all the VVritings, and Exact Inveutery of all his Estate and Effects; while they were going through this work one Night happen'd a very odd and uncommon Accident.

Alter the Commissioners had finished the proper affairs of the pay, they according to Custom, Sealed up the Papers, and locked the Doors, and clapped several Sea's on the Doors, and then delivered up the Keys to a worthy Gentleman of known Honour and Integrity in *Kensington*; But notwithstanding this care to the great Surprize and astonishment of the Commissioners, a great noise was heard in one of those Rooms they had so cautiously Sealed and locked up; May they saw a light in the Room, thro' a Key hole; the Commissioners resolving to have more Evidence of this Fact, than themselves, called up some of the servants, who also clearly saw the Light, thro' the Key hole; Whereupon the Commissioners sent for the Keys, and opened the Doors and went into these Rooms, where they heard the Noise and saw the Light, but found every thing safe as they left it and nothing disordered, the VVindows being shut and Fastned.

This is the Account; and there is no reason not to credit the Truth of it, since tis reported and affirmed by Men of such Reputation and worth, and by Men who have no View or Interest, in raising or reporting such a Story.

This Account therefore puzzles People and makes them really believe the Houle to be haunted; and that Sir Thomas C--y comes there to guard his (late) Pelf, or to give an account of some Moneys hid, or Stole; or to discover VVill; or to Settle his Effects to his nearest relations; be it which way it will; it ought to instruct us, always to make a fair and honest Distribution of our Estates, in our life time, to prevent all disputes after our Death.

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