ing parts dispersed up and down in it; by the Wheel Barometer,

beauy,

B. Another Scheme, which I drew from my Observation, about 10. minutes after, the same morning. Both these were observed with a very deep Eye-glass.

C. March 10d. ooh. 20m. in the morning: the Air beavy and

inflective. Use mas made of a shallow or ordinary Charge.

D. March 10d. 3th 00m in the Morning; the Air very beavy and Inflictive, which made it glare and radiate, and be more confused than about 3. hours before. A shallow Charge.

E. March 21d. 9½ hi post merid; the Air light (in weight) and clear, without inflecting parts; the Face appear'd most distinctly of this

Forme. A Shallow Charge.

F. March 21d. 112h. post merid; the Air continuing very light and clear, without instecting vapours. A shallow Charge.

G. March 21d 82 h. post mer. the Air clear, with few inflecting

veins in it, and indifferent light. A shallow Charge.

H. March  $23^{d} \cdot 9^{\frac{1}{2}h}$  post mer, the Air pretty light, but moist, and somewhat thick and hazy, but seem'd to have but seew veins, or infleting parts.

1. March 28d. 3h. p. m. much the same kind of Air with that of

March 23; light, moist, and a little hazy, with some very few veins.

## Observations

Made in Italy, confirming the former, and withall fixing the Period of the Revolution of Mars.

These Observations we shall summarily present the Curious in these parts with, as they were lately presented (by Letter from his Excellency the Ambassadour of Venice, now residing at the Court of France) to the Royal Society, in some printed sheets of Paper, entituled, MARTIS, circa Axem proprium Revolubilis, Observationes, BONONIE & JO.DOMINICO CASSINO habite; come to hand June 3.1666.

In these Papers the Excellent Cassini assirms;

1. That with a Telescope of 24. Palmes, or of about 16 Foot, wrought after S. Campani's way, he began to observe February 6. 1666 (st.n.) in the morning, and saw two dark Spots in the first Hace of Mars.

2, That

2. That with the same Glass he observed Febr. 14, in the Evening, in the other Face of this Planet, two other Spots, like

those of the first, but bigger.

3. That afterwards continuing the Observations, he found the Spots of these two Faces to turn by little and little from East to West, and to return at last to the same situation, wherein he had seen them first.

4. That S, Campani, having also observ'd at Rome with Glasses of 50. Palmes or about 35 Foot, likewise of his own contrivance, had seen in the same Planet the same Phenomena.

4. That sometimes he hath seen, during the same night, the two Faces of Mars, one, in the Evening, the other in the Morning.

6. That the Motion of these Spots in the inferior part of the apparent Hemisphere of Mars, is made from East to West, as that of all the other Celestial Bodies, and is performed by Parallels, that decline much from the Equator, and little from the Ecliptick.

7. That the Spots return the next day to the same situation, 40. minuts later, than the day before; so that in every 36. or 37. daies, about the same hour, they come again to the same place.

8. He promises shortly to give us the particular Tables of this Motion and of its Inequalities, together with the Ephemerides

theinfelves.

9. He represents, that some other Astronomers have also made at Rome several Observations of these Spots of Mars, from March 14/16. to March 20/10. with Glasses, wrought by Eustachio Divini, of 25. and 45. Palmes: Which Spots he makes little differing from his own, of the first Face; as will by and by appear, by the direction to the Schemes.

to. But he adds, that those other Roman Astronomers, that have observed with Divini's Glasses, will have the Conversion of Mars to be performed, not in 24 h, 40 m. (as he maintains it is)

but in about 13h.

11. And to evince, that they are mistaken in these Observations of theirs; he alledges, That they assure that the Spots, which they have seen in this Planet, (by an Eussan Telescope) the 30 of March, were small, very distant from one anothe, remote from the middle of the Disk, and the Oriental Spot was less, than the Occidental (as is represented by the Fig. O; like that of the first Face of Marc.) whereas, on the contrary,

He (Cassini) pretends to evidence by his Observations, made at the same time at Bononia, that, the same day and hour, those Spots were very large, neer one another, in the midst of the Disk, the Oriental bigger than the Occidental (as appears by

Fig.P, which is that of the second Face of Mars.)

12. Besides, he declares, that those Astronomers were too hasty, in determining, after 5 or 6 Observations only, in how much time Mars sinish's his Revolution; and denies it to be perform'd in 13 hours: adding, that, though Himself had observed for a much longer time, than they; yet he durst not for a great while define, Whether Mars made but one Turn in 24 hours 40 minuts or two; and that all, that he could, for a long time affirm, was onely this, that after 24 h. 40 m. this Planet appear'd in the same manner he did before.

13. But fince those first Observations, He affirms to have found cause to determine, that the Period of this Conversion is made in the said space of 24 h. 40 m; and not oftner than

once within that time; Alledging for proof;

1. That, whereas Febr. 6. (ft.n.) he saw the Spots of the sirst Face of Mars, moving from eleven of the Clock in the night, until break of day, they appear'd not afterwards in the Evening after the rising of that Planet (witness several intelligent persons, which he names, that were present at the Observations) Whence he infers, that after 12 hours and 20 minuts, the same Spots did not come about; since that the same, which in the morning were seen in the middle, upon the rising of Mars; after 13 or 14 hours, might have appear'd neer the Occidental Limb. But, because he might be imposed upon by Vapors, whilst Mars was yet so neer the Horizon, he gives this other determination, vid.

2. Whereas he saw the first Face of Mars the 6 of February at 11 of the clock of the night following; he did not see the same after 18 daies at the same hour; as he ought to have done, if the Period were absolved in the space of 12 h. 20 m.

3. Again, whereas he saw Febr. 24. in the Evening, the other Face of Mars, he could not see the same, the 13. and 15. day of March, to wit after 17 and 19 days; as he should have done, if the Revolution were made in the newly mention'd time:

4. Again, whereas the 27, of March in the Evening he faw

the second Face of Mars, he could not see it the 14. and 16. of

April.

From all which Observations he Judges it to be evident, that the Period of this Planets Revolution is not perform din the space of 12. hours 20, minutes, but in about 24 hours 40 minutes; more exactly to be determined by comparing distant Observations: And that those who affirm the former, must have been deceived by not well distinguishing the two Faces, but that having seen the second, taken it for the sirst:

All which he concludes with this Advertisement, that, when he defines the time of the Revolution of Mars, he does not speak of its Mean Revolution, but onely of that, which he observed, whilf Mars was opposite to the Sun; which is the shortest of all.

The Figures of the Principal Observations, represented in the Book here discoursed of, may be seen in the annexed Scheme; videl.

K. One of the Faces of Mars, as S. Cassini observed it March 3. (st.n.) 1666 in the Evening, with a Glass of 24 Palmes.

L. The other Face, as he saw it Febr ! in th Evening.

M. The first Face, as S. Campani saw at Rome, March 3. 1666. in the Evening, with a Glass of 50 Palmes.

N. The second Face, as the same Campani observ'd it March 15.

in the Evening.

O. The Figure of Mars, as it was seen at Rome by a Telescope of

Divini of 45 Palmes, March 33.

P. The Figure of the said Planet, as it was seen the same day and hour at Bononia by Cassini; being that of the second Face.

## Some Observations

## Lately made at London concerning the Planet Jupiter.

These, as they were made, so they were imparted, by Mr.

Hook, as follows:

A. 1666. Iune 26. between 3. and 4. of the Clock in the morning, I observed the Body of Jupiter through a 60. foot-glass, and found the apparent Diameter of it through the Tube, to be somewhat more than 2. degrees, that is, about four

