

market as ordinarily as beef here, and is excellent sweet meat. They tell us that Beares there do never hurt anybody, but fly away from you unless you pursue and set upon them – but Wolves do much mischief. Mr. Harrington told us how they do to get so much honey as they send abroad. They make hallow a great Firr tree, leaving only a small slitt down straight in one place; and this they close up again, only leave a little hole and there the Bees go in and fill the bodies of these trees as full of wax and honey as they can hold; and the inhabitants at their times go and open that slit and take what they please, without killing the bees, and so let them live there still and make more. Firr trees are always planted close together, because of keeping one another from the violence of the windes; and when a fellet is made, they leave here and there a grown tree to preserve the young ones coming up. The great entertainment and sport of the Duke of Corland and the princes thereabouts is hunting; which is not with dogs as we, but he appoints such a day and summons all the country people as to a *Campagnia*; and by several companies gives every one their circuit, and they agree upon a place where the Toyle is to be set; and so, making fires every company as they go, they drive all the wild beast – whether bears – wolfe, foxes, Swine, and stags and rowes, into the Toyle; and there the great men have their stands in such and such places and shoot at what they have a mind to, and that is their hunting. They are not very populous there, by reason that people marry women seldom till they are towards or above 30; and men 30 or 40, or more oftentimes, year old. Against a public hunting, the Duke sends that no wolfes be killed by the people; and whatever harm they do, the Duke makes it good to the person that suffers it – as Mr. Harrington instanced in a house where he lodged, where a wolfe broke into a hog-stye and bit three or four great pieces off of the back of the hog before the house could come to help it (it crying, and that did give notice to the people of the house); and the man of the house told him that there was three or four wolfs thereabouts that did them great hurt; but it was no matter, for the Duke was to make it good to him, otherwise he could kill them.

12. We had this morning a great dispute between Mr. Gauden, victualler of the Navy, and Sir J. Lawson and the rest of the Commanders going out against Argier, about their fish and keeping of Lent; which Mr. Gauden so much insists upon to have it observed, as being the only thing that makes up the loss of his dear