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CITY DEBATES, CAPEL–COURT, Bartholomew–Lane, opposite the Bank. Held every Monday Evening. Chair taken at Half past Eight o'Clock. Admission Sixpence.

AFRICAN SLAVE TRADE.

"Can the Legislators of this Country, consistently with its true interests, consent to the total Abolition of the Slave Trade?"

The abilities of Gentlemen who speak in this Society having raised it to public estimation, superior to every other, several respectable Citizens have desired the above Question to be debated on Monday next. The Managers respectfully hope the following circumstances will ensure an early attendance: The African Prince, who lately spoke in this Society, has promised to be present; the celebrated Oubladah [sic] Equiano, or Gustavus Vassa, who has lately published his Memoirs, will speak; and the Lady, whose abilities are the ornament of this Institution, and the admiration of the Public, positively will deliver her sentiments. The united efforts of such genius and abilities were never before expected in one evening, and the Managers are happy it is on a subject the most important in the whole annals of this country.

Next question, on the Repeal of the Test and Corporation Acts, proposed by an eminent Dissenting Clergyman.