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Genoa, February 18.

L E T T E R S from Bastia of the 6th Instant say, that the Malecontents had taken the Castle of Figari: The Officer, who commanded the Castle, was put to Death; and the Garrison made Prisoners of War. This Castle is on the Sea-Coast, at about ten Miles Distance from Bonifaccio.

Last Tuesday a Felucca arrived from Calvi, where the Inhabitants were in great Distress for Want of Provisions; (the Malecontents having cut off the Communication between the City and the Province of the Balagna) one of the Syndics of the Community is come to solicit for immediate Supplies to be sent. A large Bark, laden with Flour and other Provisions, with two Companies of Soldiers, sailed the same Evening for Bastia.

Three Days ago a Frigate, to mount thirty-six Guns, was launched at Sestri, about five Miles to the Westward of this City, and is to be rigged and sent to Cadiz.

The Kingdom of Naples, Tuscany, &c. are in Distress for Want of Corn; and if not supplied from Abroad, there is Danger of a Famine in several Parts of Italy before the new Harvest, which will not begin before the Middle of June. The Populace at Naples had seized the Ammunition-Bread intended for the Soldiers.

The Magistrates of Health of this State have published another Edict, to oblige all Vessels, coming into any of their Ports from the Islands in the Adriatick Sea, to perform a regular and rigid Quarantine, the Plague having spread to the Island of Liffa.

Leghorn, February 20. By Letters received from Malta we hear, that Mr. White, His Britannick Majesty's Consul at Tripoly, died there the latter End of December last.

Venice, February 22. The Advices received by the Government To-day from Spalato, are, that the Plague still rages in the Suburbs and Neighbourhood, though without having extended beyond the Villages already advised to have been infected.

Hamburg, February 28. We hear from Berlin, that it was expected there, that his Prussian Majesty would, in a few Days, make a Tour into Silesia.

Hague, March 9. The Prince of Orange entered Yesterday into the 17th Year of his Age: His Serene Highness received, upon this Occasion, the Compliments of all the Colleges of the Republick resident here, the Foreign Ministers, and a prodigious Number of Persons of the First Rank from all Parts of the United Provinces.

The Court of Assistants of the Russia Company give Notice, that a General Court of the said Company will be held at the Office of the Corporation for Seamen in the Merchants Service over the Royal Exchange, on Wednesday the 14th Day of March instant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, on special Affairs.

M. Sierra, Secretary.

Whitehall, November 21, 1763.

The Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations having received Information, that many Persons are desirous of Grants of Land in His Majesty's Provinces of East Florida and West Florida in America, in Order to the Cultivation of the same for the raising of Silks, Cotton, Wine, Oyl, Indigo, Cochineal, and other Commodities to which the said Lands are adapted: Their Lordships therefore, to avoid any Delay in the making of such Settlements, do, by His Majesty's Command, give public Notice, that His Majesty has been pleased to direct, that the Lands in His Majesty's said Provinces of East Florida and West Florida shall be surveyed and laid out into Townships, not exceeding Twenty Thousand Acres each, for the Convenience and Accommodation of Settlers; and that these Townships, or any Proportions thereof, will be granted, upon the same moderate Conditions of Quit-Rent and Cultivation as are required in other Colonies, to such Persons as shall be willing to enter into reasonable Engagements to settle the Lands, within a limited Time, and at their own Expence, with a proper Number of useful and industrious Protestant Inhabitants, either from His Majesty's other Colonies, or from Foreign Parts; and all Persons, who may be willing to obtain such Grants, are desired to send their Proposals in Writing to John Pownall, Esq; Secretary to the said Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations.

By Order of their Lordships,

J. Pownall, Secretary.

Custom-house, London, February 9, 1764.

Whereas on Friday the 3d of this Instant February, a large Gang of Smuglers, to the Number of fourteen or thereabouts, armed with Fire-Arms, or other offensive Weapons, were assembled at or near a Place called Hurst-Beach in the County of Southampton, in order to be aiding and assisting in the Running, Landing, and Carrying away a large Quantity of Uncustomed Goods: And whereas William Dale, Riding Officer of the Customs at Keyhaven in the said County of Southampton, was, in the due Execution of his Office, in endeavouring to seize Part of the said Goods, forcibly and violently assaulted and obstructed, having received several Blows upon his Head, that his Skull was laid bare for some Width, so that a Concussion of the Brain is much to be feared, and his Life is in the utmost Danger.

The Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, in order to bring the Offenders to Justice, and the more effectually to put a Stop to such cruel and outrageous Proceedings, do hereby promise a Reward of One Hundred Pounds to any Person or Persons, who shall discover and apprehend, or cause to be discovered and apprehended, any or either of the said Offender or Offenders, to be paid by the Receiver-General of His Majesty's Customs upon Conviction.

Wm. Wood, Secretary.

St. James's,