

And We do further publish and declare, that the first Sale of Lands shall be in the Month of June next, if the Surveys can be made so soon; due Notice of which, as also of the Place of Sale, will be given by Our Commissioners appointed as aforesaid, for the Disposal of the said Lands.

Given at Our Court at *St. James's*, the Twenty-sixth Day of *March*, One thousand seven hundred and sixty-four, in the Fourth Year of Our Reign.

G O D Save the K I N G.

St. James's, March 31.

Information having been given, that several of His Majesty's Subjects, in the underwritten List particularly mentioned, have been for a considerable Time, and are now detained in France as Hostages for the Payment of Ransom Bills, which have not yet been satisfied; These are to give Notice, that in Case such Ransom-Bills are not forthwith discharged, Prosecutions will be commenced in His Majesty's Court of Admiralty against all Masters, Owners, and others, unjustly refusing or neglecting to pay the Sums of Money stipulated for the Release of those unfortunate Persons, who have suffered so long an Imprisonment.

List of Hostages for English Ransoms, detained in French Prisons.

| <i>Names of Hostages, and where detained.</i> | <i>Names of Ships ransomed, and when taken.</i> | <i>Ransoms for Ships taken.</i> |
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| Alexander Faulkener, at Dunkirk, | Margaret of Dundee, 3d April, 1759, | 285 Guineas. |
| Robert Sutherland, at Dunkirk, | Friends Goodwill, 18th April, 1760, | 350 Guineas. |
| Francis Kipps, at Brest, | Hercules, about 3 Years ago, | Not specified. |
| Francis Newton, at St. Maloes, | Hope, 7th Sept. 1760, | 312 Guineas. |
| John Henry Carey, at Rochelle, | Dreadnought, 9th April, 1761, | 300 l. Sterling. |
| Henry Constant, at Bourdeaux, | Dove, 18th Jan. 1762, | 30,000 Livres Tournois. |
| John Turner, at Bourdeaux, | The Desire, 18th Sept. 1762, | 250 Guineas. |

St. James's, March 24, 1764.

THE Merchants, and others, who have delivered into the Office of the Earl of Halifax, One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, a Designation of the Ships which they respectively purpose to send to the Islands restored to France in the West Indies, to bring away their Effects from thence, to the End that Passports might be obtained from the Court of France for the said Ships, pursuant to the 8th Article of the late Definitive Treaty, are hereby desired to deliver into his Lordship's said Office, the Name of the Port in that particular Island to which the said Ships respectively are first intended to proceed.

Naples, March 6. The Weather has been so tempestuous for several Days past, that a Number of the Vessels laden with Corn, which were expected daily to arrive in this Port, are not as yet come. This Delay, and the entire Want of Bread in many of the neighbouring Towns and Villages, which obliges their Inhabitants to fly to the Capital for Relief, occasions here great Disturbances. The Weight of the Bread has been considerably lessened, as also the Quantity of Flour that used to be delivered out daily

to the publick Ovens. This Scarcity creates many Inconveniencies; insomuch that, in order to keep the Common People from committing any Outrages, a Number of Soldiers have been posted at every publick Oven, and Patroles are continually going through those Streets, where there are any Bread-stalls. It is to be hoped, that the expected Supply of Corn will soon come in, or else there will be no Bread at all to be had in a few Days.

The Venetian Resident, Signor Zon, had on Wednesday last his Audience of Leave of his Sicilian Majesty, and is to set out for Venice very soon. Signor Gobbi, who succeeds him, is arrived; but has not yet presented his Credentials.

The Glorioso, a Spanish Man of War, came into this Port on Thursday last, after a Passage of 20 Days from Cartagena.

Vienna, March 12. This Day, at Ten o'Clock, his Imperial Majesty set out for Frankfort, attended by the two eldest Arch-dukes, and a vast Retinue.

Venice, March 16. Yesterday Cavalier Tron set out for Ostiglia in the Veronese State, as Commissary of this Republick, to meet there, and settle with Count Silva, appointed Commissary on the Part of the Empress Queen, the Differences concerning the Waters of the River Tartaro, for the Service of the Rice Grounds, some other Affairs regarding the Confines, and the Regulation of the Poits.

Last Night the Senate constituted two Members of that Body, Inquisitors upon Corn and Grain, who are invested with Authority to take an Account of all the Corn and Grain in the Terra Ferma, and to compel the Owners of it to supply the Inhabitants at moderate Prices.

Bonn, March 25. Yesterday, at Six in the Morning, the Elector set out for Frankfort. His Electoral Highness lies To-night at Limbourg on the Lahne, and will arrive this Evening at Frankfort. The Election of a King of the Romans is fixed to the 27th of this Month; the Entry of the Emperor to the 30th; and the Coronation to the 3d of April.

We expect the Elector will return hither about the 8th or 9th of next Month, as he proposes setting out from Frankfort the Day after the Emperor.

Whitehall, March 31.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Robert Melvill, Esq; Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Islands of Grenada, the Grenadines, Dominico, Saint Vincent, and Tobago, in America, and of all other Islands and Territories adjacent thereto, and which now are, or heretofore have been, dependent thereon.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Hugh Palliser, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland, and all the Coast of Labrador from the Entrance of Hudson's Streights to the River St. John's, which discharges itself into the Sea nearly opposite the West End of the Island of Anticosti, including that Island, with any other small Islands on the said Coast of Labrador; and also the Islands of Madelaine in the Gulph of St. Lawrence; as also of all the Forts and Garrisons erected and established, or that shall be erected and established in the said Islands of Newfoundland, Anticosti, and Madelaine, or on the Coast of Labrador within the Limits aforesaid.

General Excise-Office, London,
March 28, 1764.

Whereas many Persons, who own, use, have, or keep, Quantities of Silver Plate chargeable with the Duty granted by an Act of Parliament made in the 29th Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, have neglected to renew their Notices, and to make true Entries in Writing of the Number of Ounces of such Plate