

Lisbon, Novemb. 20. On the 17 instant our long expected *Brasile Fleet* arrived here, consisting of 34 ships, whereof three were Convoyers, but laden as well as the rest. One of the number belonging to *Porto*, foundered in her passage; the Men were all saved, but 600 Chests of Sugar were lost: The great drowth that has been lately in *Brasile*, and a great Mortality amongst the Negro's by the Small Pox, has swept away about sixteen thousand of them, and has something abated the Trade of that place; the whole Fleet not having in their Cargo about 15 or 16 thousand Chests.

At *Porto* there has happened of late two great Earthquakes. One the 19 of *Sept.* the other which was the most dreadful on the 30. which shook the whole City, and all the adjacent places, to the great terror of the Inhabitants.

Here is lately arrived in this Port one *John Blake*, a Subject of his Majesty of *England*, from the Island of *Fayal*, bringing with him a Certificate under good hands, besides other Marks he wears, of the Barbarous and Inhumane cruelty of the Dutch to him. His story briefly thus: Seven *Holland East-India* ships under the command of *Jacob Corne* their Admiral, in their return homeward touching there, to take in such refreshments as they wanted. On the fifth of *August* last received there advice from the Island of *Terceiras*, of a great defeat considerably reported to be given by the *Hollanders* to the *English Fleet*; whereupon order was immediately given by the Admiral to the Seven ships to prepare themselves with all their Guns, to testify their joy, and proclaim it to the adjacent places by the firing of their Artillery. This *John Blake* then aboard the Rear-Admiral, as Master of the ship (not acquainted with the state of affairs at home) being at the arrival of the News, in company with several *Portugais*, persons of Credit and Reputation, and Inhabitants of that Island, drank an health to the King of *Great Brittain* his Sovereign, saying, He doubted not but the news would prove quite contrary to what was then reported, and that the defeat and overthrow was on the *Holland* side; of which, notice being given by a Dutch Merchant to the Admiral, he immediately caused *Blake* to be loaded with Chains, in which condition he kept him five daies, and the sixth ordered him to be three times Keel-haled (as they call it) and then recommitting him to his Irons, caused him to receive 300 blows with a four Inch Rope; After three daies more, they being ready to set sail, caused him to be Towed on shoare, seizing upon all his goods, bidding him in much scorn, Go and serve his King; which the poor Man, naked and miserable as he was, being zealous to do, took the opportunity of the first Vessel to Transport him to this place, in order to his return for *England*; his Majesty's Resident here, has taken care for his Cloathing and Transportation.

Paris, Decemb. 11. Upon a Dispute arising between the *Sieur du Quesne*, and the *Chevalier St Paul*, both of them pretending to the Vice-Admiralty of the Fleet, his Majesty having considered of their Pleas, hath, to the satisfaction of them both, ordered, That the *Chevalier Paul* shall command as Vice-Admiral in the *Mediterranean*, and the *Sieur Du Quesne* in the Ocean; the latter having likewise order to put to Sea with his Squadron of Twelve ships, as soon as they can be made ready, for the security of our Traders and Coasts.

They write from *Cologne*, That the Duke of *Newbourg*, having, besides his Homage, demanded a considerable sum of Monies from the States of *Fuillers* and *Berguus*, the States there have called an Assembly to consider of that Affair, which is ended much to the dissatisfaction of that Duke, they refusing him both H. mage, and Money, till their priviledges are confirmed.

These are to give notice to all persons owing any Rent or Sum of Money for Wine-Licences, either in arreare or due by advance, That if they pay not the same into the Wine-Licence Office in *Durham-Yard*, London, before the Tenth day of *January* next ensuing, they will be sued upon their Bonds and Contracts for the same.

Dublin, Decemb. 6. The tenth of this month his Grace the Lord Lieutenant, intends to leave *Kilkenny*, and may be the Saturday after expected in this Town.

On Saturday last His Majesty's Auditor-Generall, Sir *James Ware*, dyed here, and was buried the Tuesday follow-

ing, His charge being conferred on his Son, who was on *St Andrews* day sworn in the Exchequer.

We have not heard of late any further news of the Tories, His Majesty's Forces being in all places very diligent for their suppression. The Countries are every where quiet, and no apprehensions of any farther disturbance.

Edenburgh, Decemb. 6. Yesterday ten of the Rebels were tried at the Justice-Court, where they were found guilty of High Treason, and accordingly condemned to be hanged at the Cross of this City; the execution to be done on them on the morrow betwixt two and four in the afternoon; their heads and right arms to be severed from their bodies, and disposed of as the Privy Council shall think fit.

A Proclamation is likewise issued out for the apprehending of *Wallace*, *Lermonth*, and several others, to the number in all of about 53 of the principal Actors in the late Rebellion, and that none presume to harbor, or correspond with any of those Traytors, upon pain of being esteemed, and punished, as favourers of the said Rebellion, and as persons accessory to, and guilty of the said Rebellion.

Falmouth, Decemb. 5. The 29th past the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy were, according to His Majesty's late Proclamation, tendered to the Officers and Souldiers of *Pendennis Castle*, who cheerfully and unanimously took them, not a man refusing, and are in further prosecution of it, ordered to receive the Sacrament in few days, according to the Rites and form of the Church of *England*.

West-Coxs, Decemb. 10. On Saturday night the ship *Diana* of *Wisnar*, was sent in hither by the *Swallow* Ketch, laden with French Wines, Brandy, and Prunes, but appears bound for *Southampton*. The Master tells us of a great Fleet of *Hollanders* at *Bordeaux*, whereof some were laden and sent away by the Northern passage; others, about 30 sail, intending to divide themselves into small parties, and adventure the nearest way through the Channel.

Weymouth, Decemb. 10. The two Vessels cast away lately upon the Beach of *Portland*, were not split in pieces as was reported, but remain both of them whole; that from *Morlaix* with Dowlace, will speedily be got off again.

Some Vessels arriving lately at *Tinby*, about the 8th instant, from *Virginia*, inform us, That by a ship from *Jamaica*, they were advised, that several of the *Caribbee Fleet*, separated by the *Hurricana*, and supposed to be lost, were put into *Jamaica*, but give no account of the Lord *Willoughby*, which increases our fears for him. By the same Vessels we are advised of the great advance of their Manufactures of Silk, Flax, and Hemp in *Virginia*, where the Inhabitants in testimony of their Gratitude to His Majesty for his great care in encouraging the Interest of that Country, have made him a considerable present in their own Silks. The Inhabitants likewise of *Maryland* and *Carolina*, encouraged by the probable advantages of their Neighbors Trade, begin to neglect their own in Tobacco's, and apply themselves to these new Manufactures.

Yarmouth, Decemb. 11. Some Vessels formerly sunk within our Peers, lie so much in the way, that the going out of ships from hence, is grown dangerous; particularly, a small Vessel laden with Coal, in her passage from hence, running against one of them, received so much hurt, that she sunk without the Peer.

Yesterday the Officers and Soldiers of the Foot-company in this Town, received the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, in obedience to His Majesty's Proclamation.

Whitehal, Decemb. 12. This day the Right Honorable *Robert* Earl of *Lindsey*, Lord Great Chamberlain of *England*, was sworn of His Majesty's most Honorable Privy-Council.

This morning came certain news from the *Downs*, of the arrival there of the four *Smyrna* Ships lately set out from *Legorn*, viz. The *Royal Katherine*, *John Bradenham* Master; the *Sampson*, *Samuel Chamblert* Master; the *Hannibal*, *William Hill* Master; and the *Batchelor*, *Dyer Bates* Master, together with a Ship from *Scandaroon*; all of them richly laden.

The account of the Weekly Bill of Mortality, runs thus. Buried in all 260. Of the Plague 4. Increased 14. Whereof of the Plague 2.