

Hague, Dec. 28. N. S. The States of Holland and West-Frisland separated last Saturday, and are not to meet again till the 22th of the next month. Orders are given for setting out the Dutch Fleet to be ready early in the Spring; and several of their First and Second Rate Ships are almost fitted for the Sea; Admiral *allemonde* intends to go on board the *Liberty* of 96 Guns. The Duke of Wurttemberg and Major General *Fagel* went from hence yesterday for Flanders, and all the Officers that are here have Orders to repair forthwith to their respective Commands, to be ready in case the French should attempt any thing during this hard Frost. The freshest Letters from France say, the *Sieur Pointu* was not yet gone to Sea with his Squadron, which consisted of about 20 Men of War.

Kinsale, Dec. 5. On the 29th past came in here His Majesty's Ship the *Dreadnought*, Capt. *Whetstone* Commander, from the Coast of Newfoundland, having been separated in a Storm from the *Oxford* Capt. *Stepney*, and several Merchant Ships that were in their Company, as also a French Prize laden with Fish, taken by the *Oxford*. The same day arrived here the *Providence* of Stockden from Portsmouth, whence she sailed in company of the Fleet commanded by Rear-Admiral *Nevill*, and parted with them 200 Leagues to the Westward, and put into this Harbour to stop her Leakes. The 3d Instant came in a Ship of *Whitchaven* from Virginia; and yesterday several Vessels from *Corke* and *Waterford*, bound to *Ostend*.

Dublin, Dec. 8. On the 8th Instant, in the Evening, Sir *Charles Porter*, Lord Chancellor, and one of the Lords-Justices of this Kingdom, was seized with an Apoplectick Fit, and died immediately; and the 10th, at night, his Corps was privately interred in *Christ-Church*. Sir *John Hammer's* Regiment is marched from hence to *Corke*; And whereas there is frequent occasions for the marching of His Majesty's Forces in this Kingdom, the Lords-Justices have put out a Proclamation, enjoining Orders to be observed by the said Troops in their March.

Bristol, Dec. 19. This day came in here the *Greyhound* of this Port from *St. Lucar*.

Plymouth, Dec. 20. This day the Fleet under the Command of Sir *Claude Shovell* passed by this Harbour to the Westward. The 16th came in here a Dutch Ship, *Matthias Spicke* Master, from *Guinea*.

Yarmouth, Dec. 21. His Majesty's Ships the *Deptford*, *Chatham*, and *Winchelsea*, sailed out of this Road on Saturday last with the Ships under their Convoy, bound to the River. The same day came into our Road several Laden Colliers.

Whereas a Letter Signed *W. Leig* has lately been sent to the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, directed to Sir *George Rooke*, giving an Account of some Irregularities committed in His Majesty's Navy; These are to give notice, That if the Person who wrote the said Letter will attend their Lordships at their Office near Whitehall, or give an Account where he is, in order to his being sent for, he will have all fitting Encouragement and Protection.

This is to give notice, that Lancelot Plumer and William Barret, are appointed by the Post-master General of England to receive all such Letters and Pacquets from Masters of Ships and Vessels, Mariners, and Passengers,

as shall be by them hereafter brought in any Ships, to be delivered with speed and safety according to the respective Directions, and the Laws of this Kingdom; That all Masters of Ships or Vessels, and all Mariners, Passengers, may the better take notice thereof, that the Honourable the Lords of the Admiralty have ordered that the Boat employed in this Service do carry in which there is to be represented a Man blowing a Post Horn.

John Heartman, a middle-sized Man, with the Small-Pox very much in his Face, a Green Coat outermost, and a sad colour'd Coat under; 35 years of age, wears a dark Wig. John James, a tall Man, a very thin Visage, a smooth Face, and a thin Nose, with light coloured Hair about the length of a reasonable Bob Wig, hath a light coloured Coat, and an old Frize Coat upon it, with Edging on all the sides. It's believed the above Names are not their right Names, but they go by no other; They were seized at Westminster by the Mayor about the beginning of November, was taken with them a Budget full of Tools, being several sets for Clipping or Coining; and a few days after they were seized with several other Tools, Metall, Mercury, Aurst, and such other things.

Advertisements.

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Whereas Letters of Administration to the Estate of William Watton, late of London, Merchant, deceased, granted unto Mrs. Mary Watton his Widow, These are to give notice to all Creditors to him, or have any Claim upon his Estate, that they will with all convenient speed present their Accounts of their Debts and Claims unto her, or to Mr. Belsley, Attorney, upon Breadstreet-hill, London; and to all Persons that are Debtors to the said Estate, will make payment to her or her Order, and none else, and come in with their Accounts, and produce their last Receipts and Acknowledgments.

Whereas Francis Fry, Barber Surgeon of Woburn in Bedfordshire, by the Coroners Inquisition, found guilty of wilfully Murdering, on the 2d Instant, one Geo. Galt, of the same Town, Yeoman, and is fled from Justice, He is of a stature, aged about 40, of a fair Complexion, and a light Wig, and formerly was a Servant to an Apothecary, named Kenwell green. Whoever apprehends the said Fry, shall be brought to Justice, and gives notice to the Widow Galt, or to Thos. Herbert at the White Horse, near Covent Garden, shall have the said Reward, and be very well rewarded.

Deceased the 4th Instant out of Capt. Charles Kemble's Company, in the Honourable Col. John Tisdomb's Regiment, Foot, Thomas Clark, well set, middle sized, with black hair, aged about 22, born about two miles from Bradford in Yorkshire; William Richards, short, well set, having his hair about 23, born near Chichester; Gabriel Hall, fresh complexion, and tall, wearing a white Bob Wig, aged about 24, of Leicestershire; and Samuel Hall, pale faced, and of a fair hair, aged about 24, came from Burton upon Trent in Staffordshire. If all or any of the said Persons will return to their respective Masters, they shall be kindly received and forgiven; and any Person shall secure them, or any of them, and give notice to Mr. James Moyer in Freeman's Court near the Royal Exchange, shall have Two Guinea's Reward for each and every of them.

Lost the 22d Instant, about 8 at night, in a Hackney Coach near the Old-Palace Yard, two Swords, one had a silver hilt, with a full cutting Blade, the other a Steel hilt, with a Gold Handle, and Hollow Blade. They were taken by a man with a Crown near Charing cross; Whoever brings in the Sword and Crown aforesaid, shall have a Guinea Reward.

Lost between Salisbury-Lane and St. Saviour's Mill, a large Green Vellum Letter Case with two small Books in it, and several other Papers relating to the Ordnance. Whoever brings it to Mr. John Dyer, the Sign of the Bristol Town near Iron Gate, or to the Sign of the Prince of Orange's Head at St. Saviour's Mill near the Tower, shall have 10s. Reward and reasonable Charges.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt hath been granted unto Thomas Darwin of London, Woolcomber, These are to give notice to all Persons that owe him any Money, or that have any Estate, Goods, or Effects of his, that they pay and deliver the same unto John Green, of London, one of the Assignees on the said Commission.