

to *Contra*; where having tarried a few days, his Electoral Highness will Visit the Cities of *Ath*, *Mons*, and *Charleroy*. We are informed, That the French Inspectors in *Flanders* have not Disbanded so many of their Forces as was at first talked of, but Incorporate the ablest Soldiers of the Regiments they break, into those which remain on foot, giving Pensions to all the Officers, who are kept in the French King's Service.

*Hague*, April 4. Yesterday the Baron de *Lilienrood*; had his Audience of Leave of the *States General*, with the Ceremonies usual on the like occasions. *Monsieur d'Odyke*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the *States General* to the Most Christian King, left this place two days ago, and is gone for *Zealand*, whence he will pursue his Journey to *Paris*. *Monsieur Hop*, who has already resided at *Vienna* as Minister from this State, is appointed to return thither, in the room of *Monsieur Heemskirke*, who is gone for *France*; And 'tis said, That *Monsieur Graninx*, Deputy in the Assembly of the *States of Holland*, from the City of *Rotterdam*, will be sent to the Court of *Spain* with the same Character. Two Deputies from the City of *Collogue* having been here some days to Adjust several Matters relating to the Trade on the *Rhine*, are upon their return home. The French Ambassador, *Monsieur de Bonrepos* is preparing for his Publick Entry.

*Plimouth*, March 25. Yesterday the *Falconbridge*, a Guinea Merchant Ship, Captain *Leeke* Commander, arrived here, being come in 7 weeks from the *Barbadoes*, by which we have Advice, That His Majesty's Ship the *Germoon Spy*, which was supposed to have been lost, had not long before they came away, called at that Island, and was thence sailed for the *Leeward Islands*. His Majesty's Ships the *Speedwell* and *Queenborough* failed hence the 22th to the Eastward.

*Chester*, March 28. The remaining part of Colonel *Langston's* Regiment of Foot failed hence on Friday last for *Dublin*. *Lieut. General Bellasis's* and Colonel *Rosse's* Regiments, lie here ready to Embark for *Ireland*.

*Portsmouth*, March 29. Last Friday came to Spithead His Majesty's Ships the *Exeter*, *Ipswich*, *Glocester*, *Falmouth*, and *Dunwich*.

*Kensington*, March 28. The Count de *Tallard*, Ambassador Extraordinary from *France*, had this day a private Audience of His Majesty.

*Whitehall*, March 29. The Baron of *Simeoni*, Captain of the Guards to his Electoral Highness of *Bavaria*, and his Envoy Extraordinary, had this day publick Audience of His Majesty, to which he was conducted in one of His Majesty's Coaches, by Sir *Charles Cotterel* Master of the Ceremonies, in the usual manner.

This day the Count de *Platten*, Chamberlain to his Electoral Highness of *Brunswick*, and his Envoy Extraordinary, had his Audience of Leave of His Majesty, being conducted to the same in one of His Majesty's Coaches, by Sir *Charles Cotterel*, Master of the Ceremonies.

The Lords Commissioners of the Treasury are pleased to give Notice, That any Person or Persons whatsoever, having or not having any Estate for one Life in being, in any Annuity, payable out of the first 9 d. a Barrel Excise, or out of 4th of another 9 d. a Barrel Excise, may at any time on or before the 10th day of April 1698. purchase the Residue of a Term of 96 Years therein, to be reckoned from the 25th of January 1695. at the Rate of 56 l. for every 14 l. per Ann. or for every 100 l. which was paid for the single Life, to take effect after the said single Life in being; And that the Purchasers may satisfy the Purchase-Money by

Arrears, incurred betwixt the 17th day of May 1696, and the 17th day of May 1697. on the Turnage, Annuities, or by Lottery-Tickets, which became due within the same Time on the Salt Duty, pursuant to an Act of Parliament in this behalf.

The Court of Directors of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, give Notice, that a General Court of the Members of the said Company will be held at the Bank on Friday the 8th of April next at 8 in the Forenoon, for the Election of a Governor and Deputy-Governor; and on Tuesday and Wednesday the 12th and 13th of April aforesaid, for the Election of 24 Directors. And that the Votes of the Members qualified will be received for the Election of Governor and Deputy Governor, on Friday the 8th of April, from 9 to 12 in the Forenoon, and from 3 to 6 in the Afternoon; Which Election will be Declared either the same night or the day following; And that the Votes for the Election of 24 Directors will be received on Tuesday and Wednesday the 12th and 13th of April, from 9 to 12 in the Forenoons, and from 3 to 6 in the Afternoons, which last Election will be declared so soon as the Scrutiny can be taken. Printed Lists of the Members, with their respective Qualifications, both to Choose and to be Chosen, and an Abstract of the By-Laws made concerning Elections, will be ready to be delivered at the Bank on Saturday the 2d of April aforesaid, to such Members as shall require the same, for their better Direction in giving in their Votes.

Thompson, late of Guilford near Romney-Marsh, (with lank black Hair, a Nose large and reddish, a middle size Person, the somewhat thick, small Legs, having in a brown ordinary Coat, with large Pockets in the Lining) made his Escape the 25th instant out of the Custody of Mr. Charles Morris, Marshal of Dover-Castle. Whoever apprehends him, and gives Notice, to the said Marshal at Dover, or to Mr. Thomas Turner at his Chambers in the new Buildings in *Lincolns-Inn*, shall immediately receive Ten Pound.

#### Advertisements.

✚ The Word of God the Best Guide to all Persons, at all Times, and in all Places; or, a Collection of Scripture-Texts, plainly shewing such Things as are necessary for every Christian Knowledge and Practice. By the Author of the Common Prayer Book, the Best Companion. The Second Edition. Printed for *Mary Howell*, Bookseller, in *Oxford*.

✚ An Examination of Dr. Burner's Theory of the Earth, together with some Remarks on Mr. Whiston's New Theory of the Earth. By *Jo. Keill*, A. M. Coll. Ball. Oxon. Sold by *Benj. Tooke* at the Middle-Temple-Gate in *Fleetstreet*, and *W. Ke. blewhite* at the Swan in *St. Pauls Church yard*.

☞ Tole out of *St. Peters* Parish Church in *St. Albans*, the 25th instant in the Evening, one Pulpit Cloth with this Coat of Arms, viz. Argent and Sable, a Fesse Imbattell'd, 3 Roe Bucks Counter-charged, a Surplice and Hood, a Damask Communion Cloth, and a Red Serge Desk Cloth. Whoever discovers the Thing, or Persons that stole them, giving Notice to Mr. John Dissell at the *Oxford-Arms* in *Piccadilly*, shall be well Rewarded.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt against *Jobson* Monger of *London*, Salter, give Notice; That all Persons who are Indebted to him, do pay their said Debts to Mr. *William Bazackerly* in *Coleman-Street*, Mr. *James Sinford* in *Friday-Street*, and Mr. *Marmaduke Brown* at the *Cross Keys* upon *Ludgate-Hill*, *London*, Stationer, Assignees of the said Commission, or to any one of them; And all Creditors that have not provid their Debts, are desired to give in their Names to the said *Marmaduke Brown*; and those who have not paid in their Contribution Money, are desired to pay in the same forthwith to the said Mr. *Brown*.

Two Thirds in number and value of the Creditors of *John Diodate* of *London*, Factor, having signed his Instruments of Composition; they and all other of his Creditors are desired forthwith to repair to the *Bull Inn* in *Leaden hall street*, to receive their Money pursuant to the said Agreement; where the said *Diodate* daily attends from 2 to 6 in the evening for a fortnight, to make Payment.

☞ Of the 18th instant, a Pocket Book, with a 5 l. Exchequer Bill, dated Aug. 10. N. 61502. and a Bill upon Mr. *Watson* for 10 l. beside several small Bills and Notes. Whoever brings them to *Lane's* Coffee-house at the corner of *King-Street* near the *Golden Square*, shall have 20 s.

Three Exchequer Bills of 5 l. each, Numb. 121301, 121458, (or 121455.) and 115099. was sent by Post the 17th of Feb. last to Mr. *John Hurne*, Clothier, at *Bradley* near *Trowbridge*, and never came to hand. Whoever brings them to Mr. *John Deacon*, Wool-dresser, at the corner of *Aldetisbury* in *London*, shall have a Guinea Reward. They are kept at the Exchequer.

☞ *Thomas Oby*, middle sized, aged 30, of a melancholly Countenance, brown Complexion, a large Red Nose, two creases down his forehead, dark Hair; wore a flaxen Wig, a grey Coat with Loope and great Buttons, Jack Boots; rode away from *Sibley* in *Lincolshire* about the 4th of May last, being melancholly. If he return to his Mother, or give her Notice where he is, it will be kindly received; or, whoever gives Notice of him to Mr. *H. Hindemarth*, Book-seller, at the *Golden Ball* in *Corchill*, *London*, or to Mrs. *Miriam Browne*, Mercer, in *Louth* in *Lincolshire*, dead or alive, shall have half a Guinea and Charge.