

11th Instant, and bring no manner of News, the Duke of Vendosme not being yet in a Condition to put in execution the Designs he has formed against the next Campaign. He complains very much of the Recruits lately sent him from this Kingdom, which are either too young or superannuated, or otherwise unfit for the Service.

**Hague, April 27. N.S.** We have received Advice, That the Town of Bon was invested the 24th Instant, and that the Trenches would be opened this day or to morrow, and so good a Provision is made for this Siege, that in all appearance the Place will not be able to hold out above a fortnight; The Garrison consists of 4500 Men, who are well furnished with Ammunition, but want Provisions, By some Letters from *Heydelberg*, and by Postscripts to other Letters from *Francfort* and *Cologne*, we have an Account, That they had a Report in those Places that the *Marshal de Villars*, after having for two days successively attacked the *German Lines* near *Stolbessen*, was obliged to retire with the Loss of 4000 Men; the *Germans* having lost only 400 Foot and 300 Horse, whereof we impatiently expect a more certain and particular Account. There are Letters from *Italy* which say, That the *French* having attempted to pass the *Secchia*, were repulsed with considerable Loss; but this also wants Confirmation. This day we received an Account from *Dunkirk*, That of the *Fleece* which lately sailed from *Rotterdam*, and was attacked in their Passage to *England*, the *Salisbury* Man of War, the *Muscovy* Merchant, 3 *Dutch* Merchant Ships laden, and 5 more in Ballast, fell into the Enemy's hands, and were brought into *Dunkirk*: The Ships which attacked this Fleet were two *French* Men of War, two Privateers belonging to *Dunkirk*, two from *Ostend*, and one from *Havredegrace*. They write from *Antwerp*, That a Squadron of *English* Men of War was come to cruize before *Dunkirk*. The *English* Forces are not yet marched out of their Garrisons, there being yet no appearance of the *French* Forces taking the Field. The States General have appointed a General Fast to be observed on the 9th of *May* next, to pray for the Continuance of God's Blessing on the Arms of this Republick. The *Baron de Bithmar*, Envoy from the Princes of the House of *Lunenburgh*, is returned hither from *Cell*, and the *Baron de Schutz*, who came lately from *England*, where he has resided in the same Quality, left this Place the 25th Instant, in order to his return home.

**Plimouth, April 18.** Her Majesty's Ships the *Eagle* and *Royal-Oak* came in here the 14th Instant, with 24 Merchant Ships under their Convoy, from *Lisbon*, and 6 more from *Leghorne*. Her Majesty's Ship the *Britol* came in the same day from *Jamaica*, which brought Prisoners from thence *Captain Kirkby*, *Captain Wade*, and *Captain Constable*; The two former were shot to Death the 16th on board the said Ship, in pursuance of the Sentence given against them by the Court Martial held at *Jamaica* in October last, for their Cowardice, Breach of Orders, and Neglect of Duty, in the fight between *Admiral Benbow* and *Montieur Du Casle*. This evening came in Her Majesty's Ship the *Nonfuch* from *London*, bound home from *Lisbon*, which she had retaken. A *Dutch* Privateer has brought in here four *French* Prizes laden with Wine from *Bordeaux*.

**Portsmouth, April 20.** Vice-Admiral *Lake* sailed from *Spithead* the 16th Instant with several of Her Majesty's Ships to the *Westward*. *Sir George Rooke* came to *Spithead* the 18th with Her Majesty's Ships under his Command from the *Downes*.

The Season of the Year advancing, it is Her Majesty's Pleasure, That no Person whatever do apply to be Touched for the Evil after the 3d Day of *May* next.

By the Principal Commissioners for Prizes.

It is hereby given Notice, That on *Wednesday* next, at 9 in the morning, at *Salter's Hall*, will be continued the Sale of the Goods out of the *Sancta Cruz* Galeon, beginning at 10 o'clock of the same time and place will be also exposed to Sale all the Prize Ships (unsold) lying at *Portsmouth*, li-

mouth, *Falmouth*, *Foy*, *Dartmouth*, *Bristol*, *Kinsale*, the *St. John of Bourdeaux*, and Cargo of *Sugars* and *Cocoa*, lying at *Swansey*; *Sujanna* of *Nantz*, and Cargo of *Fish* and *Salt*, at *Weymouth*; and such other Prize Goods as have been published for Sale, and remain unsold: New Allotments of which will be forthwith dispersed.

This is to give Notice, That the Sale intended to be held at *Lord's Coffee-house* in *London-street*, by Order of the High Court of Admiralty, on *Wednesday* the 28th Instant, is put off till *Thursday* the 6th of *May* next, at 3 in the afternoon, at the same place.

All Persons owing Arrears of Rent for Wine-Licences, or whose Licences are expired, are hereby desired to take Notice, That if they do not pay their said Arrears, and renew their said Wine-Licences with all speed, they will be forthwith sued at Law for the same.

Whereas it was inserted in the Gazette the 25th of *March* last, that the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen had appointed the 4th and 5th of *May* next, at 9 in the forenoon, at the Inner-Chamber at *Guildhall*, to receive Proposals, and treat with any Person or Persons for the taking of a Lease of the Manor of *Drainburton*, near *Beverly* in the County of *York*, they being Trustees of the said Estate for the Benefit of *Emmanuel Hospital*: Now these are to give Notice, That the said Court have put off the same to the 22d and 23d of *June* next, at 9 in the forenoon; at which times the said Lord Mayor and Aldermen will be ready at the said *Guildhall* to receive any such Proposals as aforesaid.

Advertisements.

There is now published, The Manifesto of the Duke of *Moles*, late Ambassador from *Charles II.* King of *Spain*, to the Imperial Court: In justification of his Acknowledging the Title of the House of *Austria* to the Spanish Monarchy. Printed by *Edward James* in the *Savoy*.

The Paintings, &c. of the Rt. Hon. *Philip* and *Robert*, late Earls of *Lichfield*, being already sold, there remains some Portfolios of Capital Italian Drawings, which, at the Desire of some Persons of Quality, will be sold by Auction on *Saturday* the 24th Instant, at 10 in the forenoon, at the Twisted Posts in *Great Queen-street*.

*John* *Bentham*, aged about 30, wears a light coloured Cloth Riding-Coat, his own flaxen lank Hair, was seized at *Porter* in *Yorkshire* on the 20th past, and since committed to *York* *Goal* on suspicion of *Horse-stealing*, and uttering Counterfeit Money; Having with him a bay Nag about 13 hands, with a Race down his Face, 3 white Feet, and some white Spots on his far Buttock; a Roan Pacing Mare about 14 hands, no white on her; and also a pair of Leather Bags, 34 l. 10 s. in Counterfeit Crown Pieces, with 19 Counterfeit Broad-pieces; a pair of old Breeches, the outside red Shag with white Flowers; with several other things. Whoever can give any Account concerning the said *John* *Bentham*, or the Counterfeit Money, let them repair to the Mayor of *Porter*, or to *Mr. Robert Weddell* at the Mint Office, in the Tower of *London*, where they may receive farther Satisfaction: And upon Discovery as aforesaid, all reasonable encouragement.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded against *Nicholas Tabor*, late of *Cambridge*, Brewer, All Persons that owe him any Moneys, or that have any Goods or other Effects of his in their hands, are forthwith to pay and deliver the same to *Mr. Richard Northup* of *Cambridge*, Baker, Assignee and Trustee, or they'll be paid; to whom the Creditors are to pay their Contribution-money.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt against *Henry Biant*, late of *London*, Packer, stand to meet on *Friday* the 7th of *May* next, at 3 in the afternoon, at the Inner Chamber at *Guildhall*, *London*, to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; And all Creditors concerned are then and there to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution-money, or they'll be excluded the said Dividend.

*Esq.* *James Gragg*, of *Lieutenant-General Stuart's* Regiment, aged about 35, a raven-haired Man, about 5 foot 11 inches high, troops in his Shoulters, ruddy complexion'd, speaks Scotch English, an Impediment in his Speech, in a light bob Wig, a red coat and Cloth Shoes; Coat, lined with the same colour, a blue Watcoat, lined with black; ran away the 10th Instant from *Newark* upon Trent with a considerable Sum of Money, and detoured *John Saller* and *John Milburne*, whom he had lifted, for 4 l. each. Whoever secures him, and gives notice to *Mr. John Wilkes*, Agent, at a Druggist's over-against *Hungerford* in the Strand, *London*, shall have 3 Guineas Reward.

Dejected out of *Capt. James Blackett's* Company, in *Col. Hall's* *Marine* Regiment, from *Portsmouth*, *Chas. Colman*, middle sized, fair complexion'd, aged about 30, lived in *St. Giles's*, *James Finkle*, Coat and Buck, well known in *Quinn's* House, *Edward Keale*, tall, well set, of a brown complexion, a Scar on his left Cheek, was an Officer at the *Castle of James's*, *Wm. Rutlack*, well set, of a light brown complexion, full of freckles, a Weaver; *John Usher*, well set, of a dark complexion, used to be formerly a Soldier in *Sir Cloud's* *Shewell's* Regiment of *Marines*, a Glazier, and lives by *Leicester-fields*. Whoever secures or discovers any of them to *Mr. Theobald* at *Isaac's* Coffee-house in *Fortess-Road*, shall have 5 Guineas Reward; or if they or any of them will return to their Companies before the 31 of *May* next, they shall be pardoned.