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Madrid, February 12. N. S.

THE Conde de las Torres having blocked up Valentia, and the Marshal de Tesse having secured himself of several Posts along the River Ebro, to prevent the sending of any Succours from Catalonia to that Town, the Court here flattered itself that the Kingdom of Valentia would soon have been reduced to the Duke of Anjou's Obedience; in which we were further encouraged by the Bishop of Murcia's Success, who has lately got together a Body of the Militia of that Country, and taken Ontiniente, a small Town, about 12 Miles from Valentia: But our Ministers have had the Mortification to receive an Account, That notwithstanding the Marshal de Tesse's Precaution, the Earl of Peterborow was marched from Catalonia with a considerable Reinforcement to the Relief of Valentia: That having very much strengthened the Garison of Tortosa, for the better securing his Communication with Catalonia, he afterwards took Morivedro, in which Place was an Irish Regiment of Dragons, in the French Service, commanded by Colonel Mahoni, and then advanced towards the Body of Troops commanded by the Conde de las Torres, intending to have attacked them; upon which the Conde retired with much Precipitation to Segorbe; and that his Lordship had sent a Detachment to attack the Bishop of Murcia. This has occasioned a great Uncertainty in our Councils; and it is now said, that the Duke of Anjou's Journey to the Frontiers is put off; and that the Marshal de Tesse, who is advanced as far as Gandesa, will be obliged to lay aside his Designs upon Catalonia, and to march to the Conde de las Torres's Assistance. We hear that the Chevalier Astied, who commands a Body of French Troops in Arragon, after he had once unsuccessfully attacked the little Town of Sant Itevan de Llera, has assaulted it a second time, and made himself Master of it; but not without considerable Loss. We are under no small Apprehensions upon the Account of the Confederate Forces on the Borders of Portugal, which are ready to take the Field, seeing there is not a sufficient Body of our Troops on that side to oppose them.

Perpignan, February 17. The Marshal de Tesse being lately advanced towards Tortosa, with intent to have posted his Troops in such manner that they should be able to prevent the sending of any Succours from Barcelona to the Inhabitants of Valentia, that had declared for their lawful King Charles the Third, and were hard pressed by a Body of Troops under the Conde de las Torres, but having found this Design impracticable; The Duke de Noailles marched from hence the 7th Instant with a Body of about 8000 Men, consisting chiefly of Militia, to endeavour to make a Diversion of the Confederate Troops, and thereby to favour the Designs of the Conde de las Torres. The 8th in the morning he arrived at Bellegarde, where he divided his Troops into two Bodies, sending the Sieur Courten with one of them by the way of the Col Pertus, while he himself marched with the other by the way of the Col Portails, situated on the Right of Bellegarde. He met with a Body of the Catalans, who opposed his Passage, and killed many of his Men; but being at length overpowered by Numbers, were obliged to retire. Having passed over the Mountains, he came down to Agullana, where he left a Garison, to secure his Retreat, and preserve his Communication with Rouffillon; and then advanced to Jonquieres, where he was joined by Monsieur Courten, who had also passed the Pyrenees, but not without

Difficulty, and the Loss of some of his Men, in a Skirmish he also had with a Party of Catalans. The Duke then resolved to attack Figuera, a walled Town, in which Place he heard there was a Detachment of English, Dutch and Catalans; and having sent the Count de Mailli with two Squadrons of Dragoons, and 1000 Granadiers and Fusiliers, to invest the Place, followed him with the rest of his Troops. His March was retarded by several Skirmishes he had with small Detachments of the Confederates; and when he arrived there, he found they had abandoned the Place, as being not tenable. The 10th he sent all his Miquelets, and three Regiments of Militia, towards Bascara, on the River Fluvia: They met with a Party of Catalans, with whom they had a sharp Dispute, in which they lost many of their Men. The 12th he marched to Bascara, posted there two Battalions, with part of his Militia; and having given Directions for fortifying the Town, returned to Figuera, not judging it adviseable to venture any further, by reason the Confederates had a strong Garison at Girona, and a good Body of Troops in the Neighbourhood. The 15th, having received Advice, that a Detachment of the Catalans was come into the Neighbourhood of Bascara, he marched thither, and after a very warm Engagement with them, wherein many were killed on both sides, came back to Figuera. It is said, he intends to attack Castellone, a small Town, where there is a Garison of Catalans, which hinders his Communication with Roses.

Paris, March 1. N. S. The King intends on the 12th Instant to take a Review of the Detachment of his French and Swiss Guards designed for Flanders, which is to begin its March the 25th. The Marshal de Villeroi, who is to command our Forces on that side, will be going thither a fortnight hence; and the Marshal de Villars intends to part about the same time for Strasbourg. The Officers who are to serve under them have Orders to repair forthwith to their respective Commands. The Success of the Confederate Forces in Spain occasions a great Unsteadiness in the Measures this Court is taking for the Recovery of such part of that Country as has declared for King Charles III. We were in hopes that the Marshal de Tesse would have cut off any Succours his Catholick Majesty could have sent to Valentia; and that the March of the Duke de Noailles with the Troops from Rouffillon would have made such a Diversion of his Majesty's Forces, that he could not have spared any from Catalonia: But we have been deceived in both, the Earl of Peterborow having relieved Valentia, and a sufficient Body of Troops having at the same time been posted on the Borders of Catalonia, to prevent the Duke de Noailles gaining any other Advantage on that side, than the possessing himself of a very few small Places which were not in a Condition of Defence.

Plymouth, March 5. Yesterday came in here the Good Intent from Pensilvania, and the Irish Transport from the Canaries, both belonging to London, and homeward bound. Here came in also the Prince from Bristol, laden with Timber; and the William and John from Dublin, bound for Rotterdam. This day came in Her Majesty's Ships the Cumberland and Dorsetshire, bound for Ireland, with several outward bound Merchant-men under their

their Convoy; as did also the Bonaventure of London, Matthew Beesly Commander, homeward bound from Jamaica.

Dartmouth, March 5. This day arrived here the Dover Galley of Piscataway in New-England, Captain Hatch Commander, from Jamaica, who came away from thence in Company of the Marlborough and the Bonaventure commanded by Captain Beesly; which last Ship he left yesterday going into Plymouth. The Dover Galley is bound for London, and laden with Sugar.

Cowes, March 6. The 4th Instant came in here from cruising the House of Nassau, a Privateer belonging to Middlebourg, John Argronia Commander, who lately took 4 Prizes, and sent them into Lisbon. Yesterday came to the Mother-Bank (a little to the Eastward of this Place) about 30 Sail of Dutch Transports, and other Vessels, under Convoy of 5 Dutch Men of War, all bound to the Westward.

There are Four Mails due from Holland.

Her Majesty's Ships the St. George, Revenge, Dover, Winchester, Phoenix, and Hunter, Fireships, being ordered to proceed forthwith to Sea; it is the Commands of his Royal Highness, That such of the Men belonging to the aforesaid Ships, as are now in Town, or otherwise absent from them, do immediately repair to their Duty aboard the said Ships, at the Burys of the Nore, where they'll be paid the Wages due to them to the first of July last past, before they sail from thence.

Her Majesty's Ships the Royal Anne, Devonshire, Shrewsbury, Essex, Medway and Mary, at Spithead, as also the Cambridge, at Plymouth, being ordered to proceed forthwith to Sea; it is the Commands of his Royal Highness, That such of the Men belonging to the aforesaid Ships, as are in Town, or otherwise absent from them, do immediately repair to their Duty aboard the said Ships; where they'll be paid the Wages due to them to the first of July last past, before they sail.

If any Able-bodied Men are willing to serve Her Majesty in the Train of Artillery in Flanders, with his Grace the Duke of Marlborough, let them repair to Captain Silver, Master-Gunner of England, at his House in St. James's Park, or at the Exercise on Blackheath, they shall enter into present Pay of Seven Shillings a Week, and be further encouraged and advanced as they shall deserve.

By the Receiver-General for Prizes.

The Next Proceed of the Prize Ship St. Matthew, taken by Her Majesty's Ship Charles Galley, being now adjusted; The Receiver-General do hereby give Notice, That the Officers and Company of Her Majesty's said Ship will (on Monday the 13th Instant, he paid their just Proportions of the said Prize, according to the Directions in Her Majesty's most Gracious Declaration for the Encouragement of Her Ships of War, &c.

Advertisements.

Lost the 9th Instant, in or near Tom's Coffee-house, Covent-Garden, a Gold and Silver Brocade Purse, with 3 Five Guinea Pieces, three D. able Guineas, and some others; and likewise a Bank Note, No. 32. payable to John Street, for 40l. which, if tendered in any kind, you are desired to secure the Party, there being Notice given at the Bank to stop Payment, which will make the Note of no use to any but the right Owner; and another private Bill. Any Person that will make Discovery thereof to the Master of Tom's Coffee-house, so that the whole may be restored, shall have 10l. Reward, or proportionably for any part, and no notice taken of the Discoverer.

The new World of Words, or Universal English Dictionary, containing an Account of the Original and Various Significations of all hard Words derived from other Languages, as now made use of in our English Tongue; with a brief Explication of all Terms relating to any of the Arts and Sciences, either liberal or mechanical, and several other remarkable Matters, more particularly expressed in the Preface. Compiled by Edward Phillips Gent. The Sixth Edition, Corrected, Revised and Improved, with the Addition of near Twenty thousand Words, from the best Authors, by J. K. A Work very necessary for Strangers, as well as our own Countrymen, in order to the right understanding of what they speak, write or read. Printed for J. Phillips at the King's Arms in St. Paul's Church-yard, H. Rhodes at the corner of Bride-lane in Fleetstreet, and J. Taylor at the Ship in St. Paul's Church-yard.

This day is published, Elements of Plain and Spherical (either of them fold single), Trigonometry, together with the Principles of Spherical Geometry, and the several Projections of the Sphere in Plans. The whole Demonstrated and Illustrated with useful Cases and Examples. By J. Harris, A. M. F. R. S. and Chaplain to the R. Hon. the Lord Keeper; and Author of Lexicon Technicum, Treatise of Algebra, Description of the Globes, and Elements of Geometry. Printed for D. Milwinter at the Rose and Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard.

Whereas a melancholly young Man, pretty luffy, full faced, with Pockholes in his Face, or a brown Complexion, brown Eyebrows, and black Eyes, speaks English and Dutch, did on Monday the 4th Instant go from his Lodging, and was seen that evening about Marybone and Paddington, but has not return'd since. Whoever knows where he is, are desired to bring him, or send notice of him, to Mrs. Brod-hurft's Coffee house in the Pall-mall, over against the Duke of Schon-berg's, and they shall be rewarded, and paid what Charges they have been at upon his account. He had a grey Suit of Clothes, and a brown Wig, which is drawn very much in the Caul.

On Thursday the 25th of April next, a Plate will be run for at Odsley in Hertfordshire, Gentlemen to ride, Weight 12 Stone; the Horses to be enter'd the Thursday fortnight before at the Starting Post at Odsley, between the Hours of Ten and Twelve.

A House and Garden, with 12 Acres of Arable and Pasture, and 600 of Meadow, in the Parish of Rogate, and 120 Acres of Meadow, lying altogether, in the Parish of Harting, all in Sussex, and near Chichester, the Estate of Oliver Whitby Gent. deceased, to be sold by Decree of the High Court of Chancery, by Thomas Gery Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court. Particulars to be had at the said Master's, and at Mr. Goaker's in Chichester.

ONE large House, with a lesser House, Out-houses, and Gardens, thereunto belonging, fit for Gentlemen to live in, and divers Freehold and Copyhold Lands and Tenements, all with about 120 l. per Annum, and situate in and near Tottenham in the County of Middlesex, late the Estate of Mrs. Mary Willis, (deceased) is to be sold by Decree of the High Court of Chancery to the best Bidder, by Thomas Pitt Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, on the 29th Instant, at 4 in the afternoon, at his House in Lincoln's Inn-Fields; where Particulars may be had.

Whereas Captain John Gobleton, late of Portsmouth, died in November, 1703. and by his Will left some Estate and Effects to his Son Obadiah Benjamin Gobleton: If living, (who some Years before his Father's Death went abroad into some of Her Majesty's Plantations in the West-Indies) he is desired to repair, or give notice where he is, to Daniel Bailly of Aldermanbury, London, or to Mr. John Masters of Salisbury in the County of Wilts, where he may be informed of the above-said Estate and Effects.

A Commission of Bankrupt being awarded against Randall Mouse, of London, Milliner; All Persons that owe him any Money, or that have any Goods or other Effects of his in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person, but to such only as the Commissioners shall appoint; but they are desired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Edw. Clive (one of the Commissioners) in Ironmonger-lane, London.

Whereas by an Advertisement in the Gazette of the 28th of February last, Notice was given, That the Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against William Jolliffe, late of Bloomsbury, Merchant, did intend to meet on the 20th Instant: Now this gives Notice, That the said Commissioners do not intend to meet on the said 20th, but will meet on Friday the 22d Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at the Irish Chamber in Guildhall, London; when and where all Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution Money.

THE major part of the Commissioners in a renewed Commission of Bankrupt against John Bellamy, late of London, Merchant, deceased, intend to meet on Wednesday the 27th Instant, at Two in the Afternoon, at the Irish Chamber in Guildhall, London, in order to examine Witnesses, to prove Debts, and to receive Contribution Money, of the Creditors of the said John Bellamy, who have not yet proved and paid the same: And all such of his Creditors who have paid Contribution Money, and shall not there come prepared to prove their respective Debts, will be excluded the Benefit of all Dividends already made of the said Bellamy's Estate.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt against Henry Skirring, late of London, Vintner, intend to meet on Friday the 29th Instant, at 3 in the Afternoon, at the Irish Chamber in Guildhall, London; in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate: when and where all Creditors concerned are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution Money, or they'll be excluded the said Dividend.

THERE is now in Custody in Stamford Gaol in Lincolnshire, two Persons taken up for several Cheats committed at Oundle, and other Places in the Neighbourhood: One goes by the Name of William Osbourne, sometimes by the Name of Clarke of Northampton, and pretends to live near the Six Canns in Holborn; the other goes by the Name of John Lyell, sometimes Carter, a Scotchman, pretends also to live near the Six Canns; and to be a Hair-buyer: They are both middle sized, about 40 years of Age, and have had the Small-pox: One was mounted on a black Gelding, with one white Heel on the far Foot behind, about 14 hands and half high, full aged, with some white Hairs in his Forehead, and some Saddle Spots; the other on a brown Gelding, with a Star in the Forehead, about 6 years old, and about 14 hands and half high, and some Saddle Spots. If any Person has any thing against the said Persons, or can own either of the said Horses, they may give Notice to the Mayor of Stamford aforesaid.

Deserted from Captain Brinscombe, in the R. Hon. Lieutenant General Erle's Regiment, now quartered in York; Richard Raper of Clifton, near the City of York, Blacksmith, aged about 30 Years, a straight well grown Man, about 5 Foot 9 Inches high, dark brown Hair, round faced, with Pimples in his Face. Whoever secures him, and gives notice of him to Captain Brinscombe, at his Quarters in York, shall have two Guineas Reward.

STolen the 11th past, from Mr. William Chester, of Sleaford in Lincolnshire, a bay Gelding, 4 Years old, about 14 Hands high, a bob Tail, no white on him; with a Bridle and Saddle, the Saddle striped with green. Whoever secures him, and gives Notice to the above-said Mr. Chester, or to James Fuller, Seedman, at the Three Crowns and Naked Boy in the Strand, London, (the late Shop of Mr. Edward Fuller deceased) shall have half a Guinea Reward.