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Venice, March 20. N. S.

THE French Privateers have, of late, been very troublesome in these Parts, and taken several Merchant-men belonging to this State. The Senate have had this Affair under their Consideration; but have not yet been able to get it redress'd, or prevented for the future. This has prov'd a great Prejudice to our Trade, and if not remedied, must in time wholly destroy it, since our Merchants can find none that will venture to ensure upon their Ships. On Wednesday last a new Man of War was launch'd at the Arsenal. She carries eighty Guns, and will soon be put into a Condition to Sail. They write from Naples, that four Men of War belonging to that Kingdom were at Baya, two of them being appointed to Convoay an Italian Regiment of Foot to Barcelona. The Viceroy having caus'd several new Gallies to be built, and the rest refitted, they are now busy in equipping them, and Orders will be given speedily for their putting out to Sea. The Marquis de Balbafes, Viceroy of Sicily, having seiz'd and confiscated the Estates of such Persons who are avowedly in the Interest of his Catholick Majesty, Orders have been sent from Barcelona to Naples, to use the same Methods with those who are declar'd Partisans of the Duke of Anjou. They continue to make diligent Search after Persons disaffected to the Government, and on the 5th Instant all the Garrisons throughout the Kingdom were chang'd by way of Precaution. They write from Rome, that the President Governati, his Royal Highness the Duke of Savoy's Minister, set out from thence the 14th Instant for Turin, having not been able to accommodate the Matters in Dispute betwixt his Master and the Pope. He sent a Manifesto in Writing to the Court before his Departure, in justification of his Royal Highness's Pretensions, and his own Conduct. One of the Sbirri lately kill'd a Servant belonging to the Portugal Envoy, and was himself wounded in the Action. The Envoy immediately complain'd of the Violation of his Privileges, and the Pope found himself under some Difficulties on that Account. Since this the Officer being heal'd of his Wounds, has found means to escape, which it is hoped will put a stop to any farther Disputes in that Affair. The Prince of Florence, whom his Physicians look'd upon as restor'd to perfect Health, has had a Relapse, and is grown so ill again, that they begin to despair of his Recovery.

Copenhagen, March 28. N. S. Upon the Advice and Representations made by General Schultz, the King is resolv'd to reduce his Militia to two

thirds of what it is at present, and oblige the Country to advance thirty Crowns in Money instead of each Man, which they have hitherto furnish'd for the other third part. As this Regulation will be a very great ease to the Country, so will it prove no less advantageous to his Majesty's Service; for the Lands suffer'd considerably by having the best Peasants, and such as were most capable to manure them, taken into the Militia, and it often happen'd that those Peasants made but indifferent Soldiers; tho' in time of War the Maintenance of the Militia has been almost as expensive as that of the Regular Troops. As his Majesty's Demands are at present very extraordinary, several Ways have been propos'd for raising the necessary Sums, and an Order will be Publish'd very soon, laying a Tax on Windows and Chimneys, as likewise another for a Capitation. The Swedes have lately taken several of our Ships, laden chiefly with Corn and other Provisions, which proves a great help to them, and is very prejudicial to us here, where there is at present a great Scarcity. We are told, that the Swedes propose to put their Fleet out to Sea very early this Spring, in order to block up ours in this Port, whilst they transport their Forces from Schonen to Pomerania; whereupon Orders will be speedily issued out for the hastning our Naval Preparations, and preventing the Designs of the Enemy.

Hague, April 3. N. S. Our Letters that came hither this Day from Lisse advise, that Marshal Villars arrived on the Frontiers the 31st of the last Month. It is thought the alarms the French had receiv'd from the Cantonment of our Troops on the Scarpe, and their Apprehensions of our whole Army's being speedily to assemble, oblig'd him to repair thither sooner than he at first intended. Several Conferences have been held here on the subject of the Demands made in the King of Prussia's Name to the States by General Gromkau, and they are endeavouring to give his Prussian Majesty such Satisfaction as he shall desire. The Conferences appointed to be held for accommodating the Differences between him and the Prince of Nassau, have not yet been open'd, by reason the Prince's Commissioners are not arriv'd. That Prince having requir'd that a Commissioner may be admitted to those Conferences in behalf of his Brother-in-Law the Landgrave of Hesse, the same has been agreed unto by the States. My Lord Raby, who arriv'd at Minden the 30th of the last Month, is expected here to Morrow, or the Day following; and my Lord Townshend is preparing to embark for England. Colonel Dormer, who was taken Prisoner at Brihuega, and has been since exchang'd, is come hither from Valadolid, where he left Lieutenant-General Stanhope Prisoner

ter of War. Our Letters from Spain, which came by the way of France advise, that our Troops in Carolina had surpris'd, and made Prisoners one of the Enemy's Regiments of Horse; the Particulars of which Action we must expect from the succeeding Posts. The Marquis de Saldha, a Person who had distinguish'd himself for his great Zeal to the Common Cause, died some Days since at Antwerp, in his return from England to Brabant, of which Place he was Governor. The Sentence awarded lately by the States of Holland against Monsieur Fabricius, condemns him to a perpetual imprisonment, and to a Payment of double the sum of what he enjoy'd while he was Receiver of the Town of Harlem, and which is made to amount to two hundred and fifty thousand Florins.

April 4. N. S. Our Letters of the 21st of March from Valenciennes advise, that the French had taken a great Number of Prisoners, who are to be employ'd in throwing up Batteries on the Rheld between Dinan and Cambray, and fortifying a Village where they apprehend that River to be pass'd. We are told the Enemy begin to Canton their Troops at Orléans and Angers; but of this we wait for a Confirmation by the next Letters. Some Days since the Prince of Ansbarg, one of the Principal Nobles of these Provinces, Councilor of State, and High Bailiff of the Province of Hainault, was married to Mademoiselle de Billa, Daughter to the Duke of that Name, who is of the Family of Pigault in the Kingdom of Naples. Monsieur Vanderbergh, one of the Deputies of the States-General residing at this Place, is expected here this Evening from Holland.

Wednesday, March 25. This Morning arrived here three Light Colliers from Dublin: They came off with seven or eight more, under Convoy of a small Frigate, but the rest were forced to Harbour in the Bay of Man.

Thursday, March 26. Yesterday was sent in here by a Dutch Privateer, the Sarah of Rou, William Cook Master, from Lisbon, with Fruit, who was taken by the French six Days before which she was sail'd from Lisbon the 2^d Instant, and reported that he came out with Sir John Jennings and the English and Dutch Men of War, Transport, &c. who went for the Straights, but the Ships from Ireland were not then arriv'd.

Friday, March 27. On Tuesday last the Scotchman sail'd for Cruise. The same Day in the Evening her Majesty's Ships the Hampshire, Crown, Bridgewater, Searford and Sherburn arriv'd at St. Helens, with about one hundred Sail of Merchantships and Coasters from the Westward. Sir Edward Walaker continues still at Spithead on Board the Hamber, with the Deliance, Burlington, Panther, Salisbury, Salisbury's Prize, Bedford-Gale, Aradell, Spandwell, Mary-Gale, and six Dutch Men of War. Yesterday Morning the Leopard, Oxford, Swallow and Sapphire sail'd from St. Helens, with some Transports to the Westward.

The Court of Directors of the Bank of England give notice, That a General Court will be held at the Bank on Thursday the 2nd of April next, at 11 in the Forenoon in special Affairs, and the same will be one of the Quarterly General Courts. That printed Lists for the Annual Election will be ready to be deliver'd

at the Bank the same Day, and that a General Court of Election will be held at the same on Thursday the 2nd of April, from 9 to 12 in the Forenoon, and from 3 to 5 in the Afternoon, for the choice of a Governor and Deputy-Governors, which Election will be declared that Evening: and the said Court will be continued by Adjournments, and held at the same Place, and during the same Hours, on Friday the 3rd of April, for the choice of twenty four Directors, which said Election will be declared as soon as the Courting is over.

Notice is hereby given that a Letter from the King's Treasury, and signed C. E. was received at the Treasury, and the Sum of Ten Thousand five hundred has been paid into the Receipts of His Majesty's Exchequer in manner as by the said Letter was directed, as by a Copy bearing Date the 25th Instant did and may appear.

Advertisements.

This Day is Published, Several Discourses concerning the duty of Acquaintance with God, in which the Terms of Fellowship are distinctly and clearly set out, as they are in the Terms of Fellowship in the New Testament. And several other Discourses of the same Nature are also published, by Benjamin Motte, M. A. Minister of St. Peter's Church, in the Strand, and James Kingston at the Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard. Price 6s.

Notice is hereby given by the Agent to the Captors, That the Cargo of an American sloop, called the *Windsor*, consisting of Muscovado, white Sugar, Coffee, Amber, and Cotton, will be exposed to sale at Gunpowder Coffee-house in Exchange Alley, on Thursday the 2nd of April next, at four in the Afternoon. All persons who are desirous to purchase, are desired to attend on the Royal Exchange, London. The Goods may be taken in or towards the Warehouse of St. Andrew, and the same in Mr. John Smith's Warehouse in St. Andrew's, London. Goods broken in Mr. Martin's Warehouse in Cannon Street, London. Goods broken in Mr. Martin's Warehouse in Cannon Street, London. Goods broken in Mr. Martin's Warehouse in Cannon Street, London.

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