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Extract of a Letter from Count Colloredo Governour of the Milanese, to the Earl of Stair, His Majesty's Ambassadour at the Court of France.

Milan, August 12. N. S.

I Have received from General Zumjungen a Letter dated the 24th of July from the Camp before Messina, in which he acquaints me, that he had decamped from Francavilla without the Loss of one Man, the Enemy not daring to make the least Motion to incommode his Rear Guard: That in his March he had taken la Forza and St. Alessio, very advantageous Posts, and left Garrisons in them: That he had not thought proper to stop to take Scaletta, but advanced to Messina: That the Inhabitants of Messina had at first shewn some Inclination to submit to him, but having been earnestly pressed by the Governour to hold out, and having received from Palermo a Supply of Provisions, of which they were in extreme Want, they pretended to make Resistance: That he was preparing to bombard the Town, in case they should remain on the Defensive; but was of Opinion they would not obstinately persist: That the Generals Count Wallis, and the Prince of Hesse, were carrying on the Attack of Castle Gonzaga: And that General Mercy was expected from Reggio to resume the Command of the Army.

From the Camp before the Castle of St. Sebastian, August 17, N. S. On the 11th Instant 750 French, among them two Companies of Grenadiers, commanded by the Chevalier de Givery, Major-General, and M. la Motte, Brigadier, were embarked at Port Passage, on several Transports, under the Convoy of Captain Johnson, commanding the British Men of War, which have their Station on this Coast; and Colonel Stanhope, His Britannick Majesty's Envoy, went on Board, to be present in an Enterprize designed on San Antonio. They set Sail that Afternoon, and the next Evening arrived before San Antonio. The Harbour being narrow at the Entrance, and having Breakworks cast up from thence along the Sides to the Town, with near 50 Pieces of Cannon placed upon them, it was thought advisable not to attempt going into it, but rather to endeavour to land upon the Back of it in a sandy Bay to the Westward of the Harbour. Upon getting thither it was seen the Enemy had raised two Batteries, behind which they had about 600 Men drawn up to oppose the Landing of Troops. The Cannon of the British Ships fired upon them for some Time, as the Batteries did also upon the Ships, to which they did no other Damage than the tearing two or three of the Sails. That Place being at the Bottom of the Bay of Biscay where the Sea constantly runs high, there were very great Swells, which made the Waves break with Violence upon the Shore: However, at Six a Clock it was determined to put the Troops into the Boats, and try if it was possible to land them there; but when they were got near the Shore it was judged extremely hazardous, if not impracticable; they therefore put off again, and went about a Mile further to the West into another lesser Bay where the Sea appeared to be somewhat smoother. The Enemy not expecting them in that Place, the Forces immediately landed without Opposition or Loss, except of four or five Seamen drowned, and three Boats overset, all the Officers and Soldiers getting safe ashore. It being then almost dark, they immediately made themselves Masters of the Top of a Hill, which is covered with thick Wood and lies between the two Bays

had left even the Forts upon the Harbour without one Man to defend them. From thence the Forces marched through the Town streight to the Harbour, where were in two Forts and upon the Mole 47 Pieces of Cannon all loaded, which were destroyed by bursting a great Part, and nailing the rest. Thence the Forces went to the Ship-Yards, where lay on the Stocks three Men of War, one of 70 Guns, the other two of 60 Guns each; the first was decked and wanted very little to be launched, the other two were not altogether so forward, though they were quite built up but not decked. These three Ships were intirely burnt to the very ground by the English Seamen; they also burnt a vast quantity of the finest Planks newly brought from Holland, sufficient for what could be employed in the Building of five or six Men of War. There were also a great many Barrels of Pitch and Tar; which with some other Naval Stores were burnt, in order to set on fire a great Quantity of fine Timber that was provided for the Building of more Ships. Having thus effectually executed what was proposed by this Expedition, the Forces embarked again the same Evening, and arrived here at the Camp last Night, with no other Loss than what is above-mentioned. Colonel Stanhope finding it necessary to encourage and animate Troops which had not been used to Enterprizes by Sea, was the first that leaped into the Water when the Boats approached the Shore. Captain Johnson and the other Commanders of the British Men of War, were very zealous and active on this Occasion. In the River of San Antonio were found two Dutch Ships lately come thither, one loaded with Powder, which had been sent to Pampelona, and the other had brought Naval Stores; Men were sent on board them, but found nothing, every thing having been landed some Days before. As to the Siege of the Castle of St. Sebastian, such Difficulties were found in it, as it was judged, would have inevitably rendered it very tedious; and therefore the Marshal Berwick had actually resolved to turn it into a Blockade: But this Afternoon we were agreeably surprized with the Governour of the Castle's offering to capitulate: The Articles are already settled, by which all Marks of Honour are granted to the Garrison; and the Prince de Soubize is dispatched to the Court of France with the News of the surrender of the Castle.

Victualling-Office, August 4.

The Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy give Notice, That on the following Days in the Forenoon, they shall be ready to receive Proposals, and treat with such Persons as are inclinable to furnish Oxen and Hags at the several Ports hereafter mentioned, for the Service of His Majesty's Navy, viz. On Monday the 21st of September, for London and Plymouth, on Wednesday the 23d of September for Portsmouth and Dover.

Whereas frequent Abuses have been committed upon the Cross-Roads between Exeter, Chester, Shrewsbury, Bristol and Oxford, by the Riding Boys, or others, who feloniously open the Mail, and take out Letters, altering the Bill and Charge; This is therefore to give Notice to all Merchants, Tradesmen, or others, not to receive any Post Letters of any Person but such who are authorized and employed by the several Post-Masters on the said Cross-Roads, to carry and deliver Letters; and all other Persons who shall offer to deliver Letters and demand Postage, to apprehend or cause to be apprehended, that they may be brought to Justice for such villainous

After the Drawing is begun, the Tickets remaining with the Receivers will be sealed up, and not delivered out till the Drawing of the said Lottery is completed.

This is to acquaint the Publick, that in a few Days Notice will be given in the Prints of an Insurance on the Tickets in the two Lotteries of the Government of 500,000 l. each, upon much better Terms for the Proprietors than have been yet proposed, by a Corporation with an undoubted Fund; whereof any Persons may be further informed if they inquire of Mr. Billingsley, Secretary of the Publick Insurance Office for Ships and Merchandize on the Royal Exchange.

These are to give Notice to all Gentlemen and others charged to the Westminster Troop of Horse-Militia, That they are to Parade, mounted on an able Black or Brown Horse in the Accoutrements directed in Tickets, with Laced Hats, in Great Lincoln's-Inn-Fields, by Seven in the Morning, on Wednesday the 2d of September next: And all Persons concerned are desired to give speedy Notice to Mr. James Cunningham, Clerk of the Troop, in St. Clement's-Lane, Clove-Market, what Care will be taken for performing the said Duty. N. B. Such Riders as shall not appear well mounted with good Arms, Broad Swords, and good Accoutrements, will be rejected.

The Weavers Company gives Notice, that the Farm at Shenfield, near Brentwood in Essex, now in the Occupation of Thomas Duffield, consisting of a Messuage, Barn, Stables and Out-houses (newly repaired) Court-yard, Orchard, and Garden, and upwards of 30 Acres of Meadow, Pasture, Arable and Wood Land, will be to be Lett at Michaelmas next; and that in the mean time the said Company may be treated with about the same every Monday, from Eleven in the Forenoon to Three in the Afternoon, at their Hall in Basinghall-street, London.

The Committee for Letting the City's Lands in the Account of the Chamberlain of the City of London, give Notice, that they intend to Lett to Farm the Office or Place of one of the fifteen Sea-Coal Meters of the said City: And that the said Committee will sit in the Council-Chamber of the Guildhall, London, on Wednesday the 9th of September next, at Four in the Afternoon, to receive Proposals for the same; of which more particular Information may be had at the Comptroller's Office in the Guildhall aforesaid.

The Committee for Letting the Bridge-house Lands give Notice, that they intend to Lett by Lease, the three Wharfs in or near the Bridge-yard in Southwark, commonly called Cotton's and Buck's Wharfs, and late in the Possession of John Buck, Wharfinger, and now in the Possession of Richard Mescalfe, with the Warehouses, Stables and Sheds standing thereon; and also the Tenement called the Wharfinger's House, and one other Tenement called the George, in the Possession of Joseph Fletcher, situate on the said Wharfs: And that the said Committee will sit in the Council-Chamber of the Guildhall, London, on Thursday the 2d of September next, at Four in the Afternoon, to receive Proposals for the said Premises, of which more particular Information, together with a View of the Plans of the said Wharfs, and all Conveniencies and Advantages that are or may be thereunto made, may be had at the Comptroller's Office in the Bridge-house, Southwark.

Advertisements.

ON Wednesday the 8th of September next, a Plate of 40 l. Value will be run for in the Round Course, the North Side of Lincoln, by any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, that never won the Value of 10 Guineas, 10 Stone, three Heats, Subscribers to pay one Guinea Entrance, Non-subscribers five. On Wednesday the 9th ditto on the same Course a Plate of 20 l. Value will be run for, three Heats, by any Horse, &c. 14 Hands, to carry nine Stone 1/2. Horses above or under Weight in Proportion, Inch and half Stone, Subscribers to pay one Guinea Entrance, Non-subscribers three, and the Plate not to be run for except three enters for the same. On Thursday the 10th ditto on the same Course will be run for a Plate of 30 l. Value, by any Horse, &c. five Years old last Grass, to be certified under the Hands of the Breeders, that never won a Plate before, one Heat, nine Stone, and to pay two Guineas Entrance. And on the same Day and Course half an Heat after will be run for a Plate of 10 l. Value, by any Horse, &c. three Heats, 10 Stone, the winning Horse to be sold for 15 l. to him who has the best Chance that enters for the same, to be certified under the Hands of the Breeders, that never won a Plate before, one Heat, nine Stone, and to pay two Guineas Entrance.

Plate between 30 and 40 l. Value, called the Ladies Plate, by any Horse, &c. that was not above six Years old last Grass, to be certified under the Hand of the Breeder, to carry nine Stone, three Heats; Subscribers to pay one Guinea Entrance, Non-subscribers three, towards the next Year's Plate; every Horse, &c. without shewing, to be entered any time before 7 a-Clock the Night before they run, at Mr. Collier's, Goldsmith, Clerk of the Race, with whom Certificates of their Ages are to be left, to be Lett by Lease, the Horn Tavern in Fleet-Street (being lately repaired and beautified) with large Vaults, and other Conveniencies: Enquire of the Clerk at Goldsmith's-Hall, in Foster-Lane.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Andrew Jones, of Derby, in the County of Derby, Viator, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 29th Instant, and on the 1st and 17th of September next, at Nine in the Forenoon of each Day, at the House of Thomas Drake, being the Sign of the George, in Derby aforesaid; at the second of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and to approve of the Assignee already appointed, or chuse a new Assignee or Assignees.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded against Henry Tilyard, of the City of Norwich, Worsted-weaver, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 25th and 28th Instant, and on the 17th of September next, at the Fleece Tavern in Norwich aforesaid, at Three in the Afternoon, and to conform himself to the late Act of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; at the first of which said Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuse an Assignee or Assignees.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against John Fuller, of the Parish of St. Sepulchres, London, Victualler, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 21st and 27th Instant, and on the 17th of September next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the second of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuse Assignees.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Higdon, late of the Town of Kingston upon Hull, Merchant, intend to meet at the House of Mr. Garratt, at the Sign of the King's Head, in the High-Street in Kingston upon Hull, on the 22d of September next, at Four in the Afternoon, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts and paid Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded against John Saunders, of the City of Bristol, Cooper, and the acting Commissioners have declared the said John Saunders, a Bankrupt: They the said Commissioners do hereby give Notice thereof, and do require the said John Saunders to surrender himself to them the said Commissioners on the 22d Instant, and the 26th and 28th of September next, at the Elephant Coffee-House, in Bristol aforesaid; at the first of which Sittings the Creditors are to attend prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuse Assignees.

Whereas Charles Keen, late of King's Lynn, in the County of Norfolk, Merchant, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on Friday the 28th of this Instant August, at Nine in the Forenoon; at the Guildhall in King's Lynn aforesaid, to finish his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and to object, if they think fit, against the Commissioners making his Certificate in order for his Discharge.

Whereas William Ward, of Blowbladder-Street, London, Grocer, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 31st Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to finish his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money; and to object, if they think fit, against the Commissioners making his Certificate in order for his Discharge.

Whereas John Botte, late of Colchester, in the County of Essex, Woolen-Draper, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been several times examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 31st Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at the House of Arthur Stanley, known by the Sign of the Angel and Crown, in Colchester aforesaid, to finish his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas John Rauthmell, of London, Viator, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 1st Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to finish his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas the acting Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Thomas Herle, of London, Merchant, have certified to the Right Honourable Thomas Lord Parker, Baron of Macclesfield, Lord High-Chancellor of Great Britain, that he hath in all things conformed himself to the Directions of the several Acts of Par-