

Paris, Dec. 27. By Letters of the 11th Instant from Madrid it is advised, that Cardinal Alberoni was to depart that City the next Day the 12th. The King's Pleasure had been signified to the foreign Ministers, to address themselves to the Marquis Grimaldo. The other Secretaries of State were continued. His Catholick Majesty seemed not inclined to employ a first Minister any more in the Administration, and had appeared in Publick accompanied by the Grandees, and the Queen attended with a Circle of Ladies of the first Rank; both which had been a long time discontinued, almost from Cardinal Alberoni's entering upon the Administration. There are Letters from Italy which advise, that the Imperial Convoiy was failed from Messina for Trapani; and from Leghorn it is advised, that the Pope continued to be very ill that his Life was despaired of.

Navy-Office, Dec. 18, 1719.

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Treasury having appointed Monday for paying of Half Pay to Sea Officers in the 30th of June 1719, according to His Majesty's Establishment on that behalf; these are to give Notice, that the said Payments will begin to be made at the Treasurer of the Navy's Office in Broad-Street, on Tuesday the 29th Instant, for the Captains; Wednesday the 30th for the Lieutenants; and Thursday the 31st Instant for the Masters; that all Persons concerned may then and there attend to receive what shall become payable to them, and not only bring with them the Affidavits required touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any publick Employment whatsoever, either at Sea or on Shore, during the time they are to be paid the said Half Pay, but also produce Certificates (if they have not already done it) that they have subscribed the Test, and taken the Oaths required by the late Act of Parliament; and in case any of the said Officers shall not be able to attend themselves to receive their Money, but employ Attornies for that Purpose, that the said Attornies may produce the like Certificates and Affidavits from the Persons they are employed by.

Whereas it was advertised in the Gazette of the 8th Instant, that the Directors of the Royal Academy of Music, by virtue of a Power given them under the King's Letters Patents, had thought it necessary to make a Call of 5 l. per Cent. from each Subscriber, to be paid in to the Treasurer, or Mr. John Kipling, his Deputy, at the Opera-House in the Hay-Market, the 18th or 19th Instant; Notice is hereby further given by the said Directors, that for the Ease and Convenience of the several Subscribers, they have enlarged the Time for the said fifth Payment to the 4th of January next inclusive; and their Attendance will be given by the Deputy Mr. John Kipling, aforesaid, at the Office at the Opera-House in the Hay-Market, from the Hour of Ten in the Morning till One in the Afternoon, the several Days hereafter mentioned, viz. 23d, 26th, 28th and 30th Instant, and the Receipt of the said John Kipling shall be a legal Discharge for each Sum so paid into him.

ON the 28th of November last there was taken three Men at Rockingham in the County of Northampton, with a brown and bay Gelding, and a grey Mare, who said they lived near Newcastle upon Tyne, and go by the Names of George Wires, James J. Hoin, and Matthew Wighly who owns the grey Mare, was taken at Wakefield, Yorkshire about May last; the bay Gelding is already owned; the Men are now in Northampton Goal, and the Mare and brown Gelding are to be heard of at the Bari of Rockingham's, at Rockingham Castle, in the County aforesaid.

Whereas several Sorts of Goods, as wearing Apparel, Plate, Watches, Rings, Jewels, &c. have been pledged to Mr. Richard Preety, lately at the Three Bows in Little Newport-Street, by Oraborn-Alley, and since at the Three Bows in Vere Street, by Clare-Market: This is to give Notice to all Persons, having any Right or Claim to any of the Goods aforesaid, that if they do not fetch them away before the 28th of February next, they will be disposed of, he having left off his Business, and the House is to be Lett.

The Executor of Mr. Bendish Rath give Notice to all Persons that have any Obligs. Plate or other Pledges, at the Three Nears Tongues near St. Margaret's Church, Westminster, (he being dead, and his Widow leaving her House,) that they fetch their Goods before the first of February next ensuing, or they will be sold.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Thomas Merritt, of London, Corn-Factor, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 26th and 31st Instant, and on the 21st of January next, at Nine in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; at the second of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove Debts, pay Contribution Money, and chuse Assignees. And all Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are desired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Gabriel Nett, Attorney, in Freedman's-Yard in Cornhill, London.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against John Adamson, of London, Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 29th Instant, and on the 5th and 21st of January 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.

Whereas a Commission of Bankruptcy hath issued out against James Smith; late of London, Merchant, and he thereon declared a Bankrupt; this is to give Notice, that the Commissioners will sit at Guildhall, London, on the 6th of January next, at Three in the Afternoon; when and where their Creditors who have not proved their Debts and paid Contribution Money, are desired to do the same: And to such Person or Persons as shall, between this and then, make a Discovery of any Part of the Bankrupt's Estate contained, that be paid for the same after the Rate of 20 s. per Cent. by Mr. Robert Mackmoran, of Cheap-side, London, Linen-Draper, Assignee of the said Bankrupt's Estate.

Whereas Richard Bayley, of London, Merchant, hath surrendered himself, (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 7th of January next, 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 Gardner, late of White-Chapel, in the County of Middlesex, Corn-Chandler, hath surrendered himself, (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 7th of January next, 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 assent or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas Tobias Lambert, of Leeds, in the County of York; Linen-Draper, hath surrendered himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice that he will attend the Commissioners on the 7th of January next, 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 assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. And all Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are forthwith to pay and deliver the same to Mr. Beoj. Dodds, of Newgate-Street, London; and Mr. John Payne, of Bow-Church-Yard, London; Linen-Draper, (whom Assignees by the Creditors) or they will be sold.