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*Hague, February 28, N. S.*

**M.** Vander Burg, the Muscovite Agent, has notified the States General the Death of the Czar, and the Accession of the Dutchess of Courland to the Imperial Crown of Russia, declaring he was ordered by the Regents to assure the States, that this will cause no Alteration in the Friendship and good Correspondence which has so long subsisted between Muscovy and this State; and that as soon as the Empress shall come to Moscow and take the Government upon her, the same will be notified to them by a Letter in Form. The States of the Province of Holland adjourned their Assembly last Saturday to the 15th of next Month, having first given their Consent to the State of War, and resolved to continue the same Taxes as the last Year, and to raise a Sum by Way of Loan to defray the extraordinary Expences of this Year. Dispositions are making for an Encampment this Summer in the Neighbourhood of Nimeguen; and Orders have this Day been dispatch'd for 18 Battalions and 30 Squadrons to be held in Readiness to march upon the first Notice. M. de Grovestein sets out this Week for Paris. M. Ginkel is nominated to go to the Court of Prussia on the Part of the States General; for which Purpose he has been sent for hither from his Government of Venlo. M. d'Els the eldest Lieutenant General in the States Service, is dead.

**A**T the Court at St. James's the Twenty First Day of February, 1729.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**hereas the Lords of the Committee of Council did this Day present to His Majesty at this Board, Draughts of Instruc-

tions for all His Majesty's Governors in America, strictly enjoying them for the future, not to seize or appropriate to their own Use, any Part or Share of the Produce of Whales that shall be caught on the Coasts of their respective Governments, either upon the Pretence of their being Royal Fish, or any other whatsoever, nor to give any manner of Discouragement to the Fishery of His Majesty's Subjects, but on the contrary to encourage the same to the utmost of their Power; His Majesty in Council was pleased to approve thereof, and to Order, as it is hereby Ordered, that his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, do cause Instructions to be prepared agreeable to the said Draughts, for His Majesty's Royal Signature.

*Ja. Vernon.*

Admiralty-Office, February 20, 1729.

*My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby give Notice, That, in pursuance of His Majesty's late Order in Council, and Royal Proclamation, Passes of a New Form will be issued at this Office, from the first Day of March next; and at His Majesty's Foreign Colonies and Plantations, as soon as conveniently may be, to such Ships or Vessels of His Majesty's Subjects as may Trade in the Way of the Cruizing Ships of Barbary; but that such Passes of the old Form as have been issued, will continue in Force Twelve Months from the said First Day of March next.*

*By Command of their Lordships,*

J. Burchett.

Whitehall, Feb. 6.

*Whereas on or about the 27th Day of December last, John Newton, late of the Parish of St. John at Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, was robbed and murdered by the Discharge of a Pistol, on the Highway, between Kinsland and Stoke Newington, in the Parish aforesaid, by three Men, viz. two on Horseback and one on Foot: His Majesty, for the better Discovery of the Murderer, is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of his Accomplices, who shall discover the Person that actually shot and killed the said John Newton, so as he may be apprehended and convicted of the said Crime.*

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

*And as a further Encouragement for such Discovery, the Inhabitants of the Parish of St. John at Hackney, do hereby*

