

to harrafs the Befieged, if they fhould attempt to come out. Thefe little Forts are joined by Lines caft up in fuch Places where the Ground admits of them, and in a very few Days the Bombardment will begin.

Cologne, May 30. The Regiment of Vaubecourt marched Yefterday with the Duke d'Harvé. This Day Roche Aimont followed, and to Morrow the Royal Grenadiers of Solare. They go to Hattinguen, there to be joined by four Regiments of Horfe, and the Huffars, as alfo by the 6000 Palatines, if the Court of Manheim will permit them to ftir, which feems not yet determined; and, it is faid, they are to march under the Command of M. de Chevert to Caffel, to make a Diverfion on that Side. The Head Quarters of the French have been ever fince the 25th at Munfter, and, by the Movements of the feveral Camps, it appears as if Marfhal d'Efrées was determined to advance towards the Wefer, having ordered feveral Roads to be made for the March of the Army. This Day arrived here 50 battering Cannon, with 15000 Bombs and Balls, efcoorted by two Battalions of Royal Artillery. The Cannon are to proceed directly; but the Bombs, and the the greateft Part of the Balls, are to wait the Arrival of another Divifion of Artillery, confifting alfo of Bombs, Bullets, Mortars, &c. and then to proceed together. One Battallion of Cone, and Royal Allemand, Horfe, have paffed here this Day.

Admiralty Office, June 4.

Extract of a Letter from Capt. Hood, Commander of His Majesty's Ship Antelope. Dated Spithead, June 1, 1757.

On the 13th of May A. M. in Lat. 47 D. 50 M. I faw three Sail to Windward, and gave Chace to them. At Noon they brought to, hoifted French Colours, and made Signals to one another; and, upon my hoifting French Colours alfo, they made Sail, and edged down to me. About One o'Clock the largeft Ship hoifted a Pendant, and fired a Gun to Leeward, and about Half an Hour after another; which not being answered by me, the foon after fired two Shot, hawl'd her Mainfail up, took in her Top-gallant Sails, and bore directly down, being then not two Miles off. Upon which I hoifted my proper Colours, and fhortened Sail to the Foresail and Topfail, expecting to be attacked; but, in a few Minutes after, ſhe hawled up, and made all the Sail ſhe could. The other two, one a Frigate-like Ship, the other a Snow, continued before the Wind. I purfued the War-like Ship as faft as poffible, and before Four was within point-blank Shot of her. About 20 Minutes after we brought our Broadfide to bear, and was very clofe, and kept a continual Fire upon her till 40 Minutes after Five, when we had the Breakers fo near under our Lee, that we could not wear, and had but barely Room to ftay clear of the Enemy; but ſhe came about, and while in Stays, the French Ship ſtruck upon the Rocks, and loſt her Mizzen Maſt. I ſtood off for near an Hour, to put the Ship in a workable State; then ſtood in again, with an Intention to run as clofe to the Enemy as poffible, in order to deſtroy her; but found that Buſineſs to Appearance done; as ſhe had beat over a Ridge of Rocks, which

were too far without her for me to do her further Injury. Where the French Ship ſtruck, is the North Part of Hodiern Bay. I had three Men killed and 13 wounded, and much ſhattered in my Rigging and Sails, the mizen Maſt ſhot through.

On the 24th I took a ſmall Snow from Bourdeaux for Canada, with Wine, Brandy and Flour; and the next Day a ſmall Privateer of 6 Guns, 10 Swivels, and 50 Men, that came out of Port Louis the Evening before, and was the Snow in Company with the Man of War the Day I drove her on Shore, whoſe Captain and Officers give the following Account of her: That ſhe was called the Aquilon, mounting 48 Guns, but pierced for 56, and had on board 450 Men, 30 of whom were killed and 25 wounded; in the latter was the Captain: That the Rocks were through her Bottom in ſeveral Places, and that ſhe was irrecoverably loſt.

Vitrualling Office, June 3, 1757.

The Commiſſioners for Vitrualling His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, That on Friday the 10th Inſtant, exactly at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, they will be ready to treat for Wheat, to be delivered free of all Charge and Riſque into His Majesty's Stores at Plymouth, for the Service of His Majesty's Navy.

Office of Ordnance, June 3, 1757.

The Lieutenant General and the reſt of the Principal Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance do hereby give Notice, That on Friday next the 11th Inſtant, they will be ready to treat with ſuch Perſons as are willing to contract for Furniſhing Horſes and Drivers for the Train of Artillery in Great Britain: The Conditions of the Contract may be ſeen by applying at the Office of Ordnance in the Tower; where Propoſals may be left ſealed up.

By Order of the Board.

William Bogdani.

Navy Office, May 27, 1757.

The Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, That there is in the Hands of the Treafurer of the Navy, Money to pay off all Bills regiſter'd on the Courſe of the Navy in the Month of December, 1756, in order that the Proprietors of, or ſuch Perſons as are legally empowered to receive the ſaid Bills, may bring them to this Office to be assigned for Payment accordingly.

Commiſſioners of Annexed Eſtates Office, Edinburgh, April 16, 1757.

Whereas the Commiſſioners of His Majesty's Forfeited Annexed Eſtates in Scotland have been informed, That there are divers Appearance on the ſaid Eſtates of Mines and Minerals; All Perſons ſkilful in ſearching for Mines, upon Trials and Discoveries by them made, are deſired to ſend in their Propoſals, ſealed up, to the Secretary to the Commiſſion at Edinburgh: And thereupon the ſaid Discoveries and Propoſals will be taken by the ſaid Commiſſioners into Conſideration, in order to their granting Leaſes upon reaſonable Terms.

By Order of the Commiſſioners,

Stamp Brookſbank, Secretary.

Merchant Seamen's Office, Royal Exchange.

A General Court of the Preſident and Governors for Relief and Support of Sick, Maimed, and Disabled Seamen, and of the Widows and Children of ſuch as ſhall be Killed, Slain, or Drowned in the Merchants Service, will be held at this Office on Wednesday the 22d of June inſtant, at Eleven of the Clock, for the Election of a Preſident and Committee for the Year enſuing; and for other Affairs.

By Order of the Preſident and Committee,
Dan. Campbell, Secretary.