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AT the Court at *Kensington*, the 8th Day of *July*, 1757.

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Time limited by His Majesty's Order in Council, of the Eighth of June last, For paying the respective Bounties therein mentioned, to all Able and Ordinary Seamen, and also to all Able-bodied Landmen, who should voluntarily enter themselves in His Majesty's Royal Navy; and likewise for paying the Rewards to Persons discovering Seamen who should conceal themselves, is near expiring: And whereas it is judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, That the Bounties and Rewards thereby given, should be continued to be paid for some Time longer; His Majesty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby Order, That the Bounties of Three Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years; and of Thirty Shillings for every Able-bodied Landman, not above the Age of Thirty-five, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, be continued to be paid to such Seamen and Landmen respectively, who shall, on or before the Thirteenth Day of August next, enter themselves in the Royal Navy, in the Manner directed by His Majesty's Proclamation of the Fourth Day of January last: And likewise, That the Rewards of Two Pounds for every Able, and Twenty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, be continued to be paid to any Persons who shall, on or before the said Thirteenth Day of August next, discover any Seaman or Seamen who shall conceal themselves, so as such Seaman or Seamen be taken for His Majesty's Service. Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

W. Sbarpe.

Warsaw, July 6. There are Letters from Prussia of the 2d Instant, which say, that the Russians have actually invested Memel. Those Letters make no Mention of Felt Marshal Apraxin's Motions; but it is generally believed here, that great Part of his Army has passed the Niemen.

Brussels, July 21. On Tuesday last Lieutenant General de la Motte, at the Head of three Battalions of French Troops, was received in Ostend, in order to replace the Austrian Garrison, which was to quit it as Yesterday with their Commandant General Piza, and the Etat Major. The Town of Nieupoort is likewise to receive a French Garrison.

Hague, July 22. By Letters of the 15th and 18th Instant from Afferden on the Weser, Major General Hardenberg was marched towards Gottingen on the 15th, with the Grenadiers, and the 2d Line of the Army was marched to support him, and to attack, as it was imagined, a Body of French Troops, which encamped between Golmbach and Wurbsen in the Balliage of Forst. It was not imagined that all Marshal d'Etrées's Army would be over the Weser before the 20th Instant. We have no News of Consequence from Bohemia.

Whitehall, July 30.

The King has been pleased to appoint James Read, Esq; to be His Majesty's Consul General to the Emperor of Morocco.

Admiralty Office, July 30.

His Majesty's Ship the Southampton, commanded by Captain Gilchrist, is put into Weymouth, and he gives an Account, that in his Way from St. Helens for Plymouth, on the 25th Instant, about Eleven o'Clock at Night, off the High Land of St. Albans, he fell in with five Sail of French Ships, two of which appeared to him to be of equal Force with himself; one of them he engaged upwards of an Hour and Half: She attempted to board him several Times, but meeting with a warm Reception, and receiving so much Damage from him, she made Signals for the other to bear down to her Assistance, which she immediately did, and he was for some Time between two Fires, one upon the Bow, the other on the Quarter, and continued engaging him upwards of an Hour longer; but Capt. Gilchrist luckily got his whole Broadside to bear on the first Ship, and by breeching his aftermost Guns ast, and his foremast Guns forward, he gave her a whole Broadside, which silenc'd her entirely. The other Ship then came up, and began a very smart Engagement for about a Quarter of an Hour, after which she dropt a-stern. By that Time the Southampton was left a perfect Wreck, and in no Condition to follow either of them, having received eight very dangerous Shot between Wind and Water, had ten Men killed, and fourteen reported by the Surgeon to be mortally wounded, and as many more slightly wounded, he was obliged to put into Weymouth to repair her Damages. The said five Ships are reported to be two Frigates, with three small Privateers; and the Frigates Weight of Metal is the same with the Southampton's.

His Majesty's Ship the Isis, Capt. Wheeler, is arrived at Spithead, and has brought in with him three Privateers, viz. the Presieux, 26 Guns, 240 Men, commanded by M. Dubois, belonging to St. Maloe; the Conte de Herville, 16 Guns,