

taken in and about London, by the Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy; and at the Out-Ports, by the Naval Officers where there are any; and where there are no Naval Officers, by the Officers employed in Raising Men; or, in Case of there not being any such Officer or Officers, by the Collectors of His Majesty's Customs, immediately upon a Certificate being produced to the said Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy, Naval Officers, Officers employed in procuring Men, or Collectors of His Majesty's Customs respectively, by the Person or Persons who may make Discovery of any Seaman or Seamen as aforesaid, certifying his Name, and the Name or Names, and Number of Seamen procured in Consequence of his Discovery; and the said Certificate to be given by such Officer as may take such Seaman or Seamen for His Majesty's Service — Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Hen. Fane.

The following Address of the Magistrates and Town-Council of the City of Edinburgh, has been presented to His Majesty by James Coutts, Esq; their Representative in Parliament: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Magistrates and Town-Council of the City of Edinburgh, in Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WITH Hearts filled with Loyalty and Gratitude to the best of Kings, we beg Leave to approach your Throne, to congratulate your Majesty upon the great Success of your Arms against your Enemies.

The Conquest of Martinico, of such Advantage to the Trade of Great Britain, and acquired with so small a Loss of your Majesty's Subjects, but with true British Valour, both of your Sea and Land Forces, must fill every loyal Heart with Joy; and at so critical a Conjuncture, when the inveterate and hereditary Malice of the Bourbon Family had united their Councils to obstruct a Peace which your Majesty's Magnanimity offered, to heal the bleeding Wounds of Europe, must convince all your Majesty's Enemies, how vain their Attempts are, while consummate Wisdom fills the Throne, to plan and direct the Operations of a brave and free People.

That Almighty God may continue to bless your Councils, and prosper your Arms, in order to obtain an honourable and advantageous Peace; that your Majesty may long reign the Darling of your own Subjects, and the Dread of all your Enemies, and of the Foes of Liberty; and that our Posterity may have continued to them the perfect Happiness we now enjoy, under a Race of Princes descended from your Majesty and our most Gracious Queen, shall ever be the most ardent Prayer of,

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most loyal and faithful Subjects and Servants, the Magistrates and Town Council of your City of Edinburgh.

Signed in our Presence, and by our Appointment, the City's Seal being affixed, this Fourteenth of April, 1762.

James Stuart, Præses.

Dusseldorf, April 19. The 16th the French threw a Bridge of Boats over the Rhine opposite Deutz; and Yesterday Morning early the three Regiments in Garrison at Cologne, making 9 Battalions, crossed the Bridge to march towards the Dutchy of Berg; but the Colours, with some Piquets, remain at Cologne. The Order, that came to those Troops to march in the Night between the 17th and 18th, was followed the 18th in the Afternoon, by an Order to send away their Tents and Baggages.

As the nine Battalions are but weak, and have left some Piquets, what are marched do not form much above five complete Battalions. The Desertion is very great.

The Boats with Forage begin to appear on the River; a Magazine of Hay is forming at Cologne; and another at Rodekircke, a League from thence.

Hamburg, April 20. We have received Advice, that a Cessation of Arms, for two Months, was signed the 7th Instant at Ribnitz, in the Dutchy of Mecklenbourg Schewrin, by the Prince of Wurtemberg on the Part of his Prussian Majesty, and by Lieutenant General Ehrenschwert on that of the King of Sweden. A separate Convention was likewise agreed upon the same Day at Ribnitz, for the free Intercourse of Commerce, both by Sea and Land, which was signed by the Prussian Lieutenant Colonel L'Homme de Courbière, and by the Swedish Adjutant General de Grevenhagen, and the First Auditor Fischer.

The Danish Army keeps the same Position near Lubeck; and the Head Quarters are still at Morie.

Munster, April 21. This Moment we hear, that the Castle of Arensburg was taken the 19th at Two o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The following is the Account we have received of what passed on that Occasion.

Our Batteries were finished and mounted on the 18th, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon; upon which the French Commandant, M. Muret, offered to capitulate, on Condition to march out of the Place on the 21st, with all the Military Honours, in Case he was not relieved during that Interval of Time. As it was known that the French Troops were in Motion, this Delay could not be granted him, on the Part of his Serene Highness.

The Night between the 18th and 19th, every Thing was quiet on both Sides; but on the 19th, at Six o'Clock in the Morning, our Batteries began to play. At Nine o'Clock, before any Part of the Place had been set on Fire, the Hereditary Prince ordered an Offer to be made to the Commandant, to march out with all the Military Honours, and two Pieces of Cannon; but M. Muret having haughtily declined This, we began to redouble our Fire; and about Noon the Castle was in Flames, and the Town likewise, which increased in a short Time to that Degree, that M. Muret cried out for Mercy; and getting over the Walls of the Castle with his Garrison, surrendered at Discretion, to the Number of 9 Officers, and 231 private Men, and 26 Pieces of Cannon. The Enemy had not one single Man killed, nor we neither; but a Captain of the British Legion has had his Leg shot off.

Hague, April 23. The French Troops, along the Rhine, have been for some Days past in a great Alarm, upon an Excursion made by the Hereditary Prince of Brunswick, the Detail of which is not yet come in: We are informed however, in the mean While, that his Serene Highness had attacked the Castle of Arensburg on the 19th; after some firing, he offered the Honours of War to M. Muret, the Commanding Officer, and his Garrison, which he refused; and the firing being renewed, he was, a few Hours afterwards, obliged to surrender at Discretion. The French looked upon this Post as very important for their Communication between Wesel and Dusseldorf; and the Loss of it will be very inconvenient to them, whilst they are preparing to open the Campaign.

Whitehall, April 27.

The King has been pleased to order Writs and Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of His Majesty's Kingdom of Ireland, for the Translation of the Right Reverend Father in God, Doctor William Gore, Bishop of the united Bishopricks of Clonfert and Kilmacduagh, to the Bishoprick of Elphin, now vacant by the Death of Doctor Edward Syngé, late Bishop thereof.