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Naples, October 19.

WE have Accounts from Sicily, that the Burghers and People of Palermo, finding that the Archbishop's Indulto and the Decree of the Sacred Council have not yet been ratified by his Sicilian Majesty, are preparing for the worst; they have walled up three Gates of the Town, and mount a strong Guard at the Fourth, which does not permit any of the Nobility to go out; and such as had already retired to their Country Seats have been brought back by Threats of the Destruction of their Houses if they did not immediately return; they oblige two of the Nobility to mount Guard with them at the Gate of the Town, and are so fearful of a Surprize that they do not allow the Church Bells to be rung; they are constantly employed in making every Preparation for Defence, and the very Mechanicks work with their Arms ready by them.

At Girgenti in Sicily there have likewise been some Disturbances, and some Vessels laden with Grain for Exportation have had their Rudders forcibly taken off.

Marshal Corafa, Native of Cefalonia, and Commander of the Albanese or Macedonian Regiment in his Sicilian Majesty's Service, has been appointed by this Court Commander of the Armies in Sicily, the Prince Villa-franca, who had been appointed by the Senate of Palermo, not having been approved of.

Ostend, November 11. The upper Part of the Bluff Steeple of this Town House, on which were Four Vanes, and which served both as a Mark for distinguishing the Coast, and for entering the Harbour, has been pulled down, and is rebuilding with a Cap or Cupola Top, surmounted by a Staff or Iron Bar of about Eight Feet long, on which is to be only one Vane, and will be compleated in the Course of this Month.

Admiralty-Office, November 20, 1773.

Pursuant to an Act of Parliament passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, this is to give Notice to the Concerned, that Information has been sent to this Office, That on the 15th Instant the Ship Neptune, of Dundee, of the Burthen of about 80 Tons, whereof Alexander Kidd is Master, bound from North Bergen to Venice, laden with Stock Fish, being at Anchor off the Coast of Norfolk, was driven from her Anchors, and came on Shore on Winterton Beach, where she now lies.

Information hath likewise been sent to this Office, That on the 16th Instant the Brig Norkoping, of Norkoping in Sweden, whereof Hans Kenrick Michaelsen was Master, laden with Sugar, Oil, Oranges, and Lemons, bound from Cporto to Hamburgh, being in Rye Bay, was, in a violent Storm of Wind, forced on Shore near to that Place upon the Coast of Sussex, where she soon bulged, and but a small Part of her Cargo, with some of her Materials, were saved.

Ph. Stephens.

[Price Three-Pence.]

B U L L, M A Y O R.

A Common Council holden in the Chamber of the Guildhall of the City of London, on Wednesday the 17th Day of November, 1773.

RESOLVED, That the Protection of the Magistrates of this City from personal Insult or Injury, is a Matter deserving the most serious Attention and spirited Exertion of this Court.

This Court having received authentic Information that the Right Honourable James Townsend, late Lord-Mayor of this City, on his Return from Westminster on the Ninth Instant, was wickedly insulted and attacked by one or more evil-minded Person or Persons, by throwing several Stones, one of which broke the Glass of the State Coach, and another struck an Officer who attended him officially.

RESOLVED, That a Reward of FIFTY POUNDS, for the Discovery of such Person or Persons who threw both or either of the Stones, be paid by the Chamberlain to any Person or Accomplice, who shall give Information of the said evil-minded Person or Persons to this City's Solicitor, at his Office at Guildhall, upon the Conviction of such Offender or Offenders.

HODGES.

B U L L, M A Y O R.

A Common-Council holden in the Chamber of the Guildhall of the City of London, on Wednesday the 17th Day of November, 1773.

RESOLVED, That it is the Opinion of this Court, that the various false and inflammatory Paragraphs and Letters, which have of late appeared in the public Papers, have very much contributed to mislead the Minds of the People, and prompt them to commit Acts repugnant to Law, and a well regulated Police: And that the Author or Authors of all such Paragraphs and Letters merit the severest Censure of this Court, as Enemies to Peace and good Order, and as indulging themselves in a Licentiousness which has a direct Tendency to destroy the glorious and invaluable Liberty of the Press.

HODGES.

St. James's, November 19, 1773.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That, between the Hours of Seven in the Evening of Tuesday the 9th and Eight in the Morning of Wednesday the 10th Instant, the Shop of Mr. George Peacock, Watchmaker and Jeweller, behind the Royal Exchange, London, was broken open and robbed of a large Quantity of Watches and other valuable Articles: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the said Robbery, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of them, who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

ROCHFORD

And, as a farther Encouragement, Benjamin

