

Being beaten the day before, by a Party of 30 Horse, and 50 Dragoons of His Majesties Forces, under the Command of *Bruce of Earles-Hall*; who in a Letter to the Lieutenant-General, sent this following Account of that Action; *That in his March towards Cumlock, about three miles from the Moor-wirk, his advanced Party discovering the Rebels, he sent out a Second Party, with Order to engage them upon any terms, whilst he was coming up with the rest; which the Rebels perceiving, they immediately posted themselves in a Morass; that so soon as he came near to them, and found the Ground inaccessible for Horse, he drew the Horse and Dragoons to the side of the Morass, where he ordered a Party of the Dragoons on foot, to vex their Horse on the Flanks; whereupon the Rebels sent a Party of their Foot to receive them and advanced in the mean time, with the rest, whilst the Kings Horsemen, and the rest of the Dragoons, quitting their Horses, made a very brisk Assault upon the Rebels, consisting of 300 Foot, and 40 Horse, who for a quarter of an hour fought very desperately, refusing to take or give Quarter; until at last, when they had found upwards of 26 of their Men killed, (amongst which was that arch Villain, *Camron*, the Ring leader of the Field-Conventicle-Preachers) and many wounded, besides several Prisoners; the rest made their escape the best way they could. That *Camron's Head and Hands* were cut off, as was the Head of one *Fowler*, who Commanded the Rebels Foot, which are now brought in kisther; and that in *Camrons Pockets*, were found a great many Papers (which are since given in to the Privy Council) and that of the Kings Forces, two were killed, four mortally wounded, and seven or eight more hurt; amongst the Prisoners there is one *David Haxton*, of *Rathillet*, who was one of the Murderers of the late Lord Arch-Bishop of *St. Andrews*, and in this day brought thither in this manner; At the Water-Gate he was received by the Common Hangman in his Liverys, and was (uncovered) set upon a lean bare Horse; with his Face towards the Horses Tail, his Feet tied under the Horses Belly, and his Hands tied behind his Back. Thus mounted, the Hangman (with his Cap on, and carrying *Camrons Head* on the top of a Halbard led him (whilst the other three Prisoners were carried to a headed, and tied to a Bar of Iron) to the Council Chamber, where the Lords of His Majesties Privy Council, having examined him upon several particulars relating to the horrid Murder of the said late Arch-Bishop; he said, That he was not obliged to Answer, nor to be his own Accuser. Being Interrogated, if he owned the Kings Authority, his Answer was, That where Authority disowns the Interest of God and States it self, in opposition to Jesus Christ, it is no more to be owned, and he feared that the Authority of the King was such. Being asked, If he thought the Murder of the late Arch-Bishop of *St. Andrews* a Murder, he Declared, That he thought it was no Murder. Being Interrogated, If he owned the New Covenant, taken at *Queensferry*, from *Cargill*, one of their Field-Preachers; he Declared, that he Owned it, adding, That he would fain know what any Person had to say against it. Being asked, if he were at Liberty, and had Power to kill any of the Kings Council, whether he would murder them, as he had murdered the late Arch-Bishop of *St. Andrews*; he said, he was not clear to give any Answer to that. Being told by the Lord Chancellor, That if he would not be more ingenuous in his Answers, concerning that Murder, he should instantly be put to the Torture; he answered, that that were but an Addition to their former Cruelties, against the People of God. And being yet further urged by the Lord Chancellor, with several Questions, he refused to Answer.*

But shortly after he said, That if he might have Liberty to speak, he would give an Answer, which being very freely allowed unto him, he made a short Speech, wherein he said, That he stood there as a Prisoner for Jesus Christ, and for adhering to his Cause and Interest, which had been Sealed by the Blood of many Persons, that had suffered lately in this Land; and that he owned all the Testimonies given by them. Being asked by some of the Council, What he could Answer to the Article of the Confession of that Faith, which he pretended to own, bearing, that Infidelity, and difference in Religion, do not make void the Magistrates Right; He answered, that that Article of the Confession of Faith, was cleared by the Solemn League and Covenant, which obliged only to maintain the King in maintainance of Religion. All this being read unto him, openly in face of the Council, he owned the same in every particular, but refused to Sign it; whereupon the Lord Chancellor, by Order of the Council, Signed it for him; who thereafter was sent to close Prison till Monday next, at which time he is to be further examined by their Lordships.

*Plymouth, July 27.* The *Mermaid* and *Dartmouth* Frigats (which have been cruising) are come in here to repair some damages which they suffered at Sea. On Saturday the *Pearl* Frigate, having Victualled here, sailed again to cruise.

*Deale, July 28.* The Wind coming fair, all the Ships in the Downs, outward bound, are under sail.

*Whitehall July 31.* Last night died the Right Honourable, *Thomas Earl of Orford*, Son and Heir to his Grace the Duke of *Ormond*, after some days sickness, a violent Fever; whose Eminent Loyalty and forward Zeal on all occasions to serve his King and Country was manifested by many brave and generous Actions; which, as they made him to be Honour'd and Esteem'd by all, when living, make him dying, to be as generally lamented; his Body was this Evening carried privately to be Deposited in the Abby of *Westminster*, until his Grace the Duke of *Ormond*, shall order the farther disposal of it.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer, have Money in Bank to pay to the 17th Order inclusive, upon the Second Act for Disbanding the Army.

Advertisements.

STolen or Strayed the 27th past, out of the Grounds of *Mr. Tho. Barry*, over against the Half way House near *Depford*, a Dappled Grey Gelding, fourteen Hands and a half high, Lob-tailed, and eight years old, having all his Paces, and had lately a strain in his near Shoulder, and some new Hair there, a thick cloudy Head, and a white Snip upon his Nose; Whoever shall bring Notice of him to *Mr. Richard Goodall*, at the *Golden Cross* in *Combul*, or to *Mr. Tho. Barry* aforesaid, shall have 40 s. Reward.

STolen or Strayed the 24th past, out of *Pase Mares* in *Gulming Parish*, in the County of *Surrey*, two Mares and a Nag, viz. A Brown Mare with a bob Tail about 14 hands high, 10 years old; and a black Mare with a Star, and Slip on her Nose, with two white feet behind, about 14 hands high, 10 years old; A black Nag, a Star in his Forehead about 4 years old, 14 hands high, Dock'd the Spine, and his Tail not cut, some part of his Mane shyn the other side; Whoever gives notice of them, to *Mr. John Ferris* an *Gulming* Parish aforesaid, or to *Mr. John Westlake* at *London*, shall have 40 s. Reward.

Lost out of the Ground of *John Smith*, of *Nibley*, in the County of *Glosters*, Esq; on the 27th of July last, a bright Bay Gelding, 14 hands high eight years old, Truss all, goes very wide behind, a black Mane and Tail, shyn Dock'd, and no white; Whoever gives notice of the said Gelding, to *Mr. Gabriel Smyth* a *Droggitt*, at the *Three Crowns* in *Lombard Street*, *London*, or to *Mr. Nicholas Standish*, Apothecary in *High Street*, *Bristol*, shall have 40 s. Reward.