

*Hague, Jan. 15. N. S.* My Lord *Galloway* goes hence to-morrow, in order to Embark for *England*. 'Tis expected that the Place of Treaty will be declared in few days. The last Letters from *France* say, the *Sieur Pointy* was still in *Brest* Road; 'Tis generally believed he is bound to the *West-Indies*.

*Dublin, Jan. 1.* On Wednesday last Major *General Stewart*, who commands His Majesty's Forces in this Kingdom, was Sworn of His Majesty's Privy Council here, and accordingly took his Place at the Board. The Letters from *Kinsale* give an account, that on the 23th past arrived there His Majesty's Ship the *Anglesey*, Capt. *Callwell* Commander, who some days before retook a small Vessel, (which had been taken by a French Privateer,) called the *Dragon*, of *Queens-Ferry* in *Scotland*. The 24th put into *Kinsale* the *Dover-Frigat*, Capt. *Crosse* Commander; and the 25th the *Weymouth*, Capt. *Jumper*; The latter on the 22th, about 35 Leagues South from Cape *Clear*, met and fought a French Man of War of 50 Guns, and in all probability would have taken him, but that some Powder taking fire on Board the *Weymouth*, blew up the Round House, and hurt several Men on the Quarter Deck; during the Smoak, the French got about half a mile from the *Weymouth*, but the fire being put out, Capt. *Jumper* came up again with the French Man, who after exchanging several Guns, endeavouring to go a Head of the *Weymouth*, took away her Bolt-sprit, with his Main-mast, and by this means the *Weymouth's* Fore-mast, Main-mast, and Mizzen-mast were immediately after brought by the Board; Capt. *Jumper* being thus disabled, got up two Jury Masts, and made sail towards *Kinsale*; His Majesty's Ship the *Loo* came up in the mean time, fought the French Man 3 hours and a half, but her Foremost being wounded, and her Foreguard brought by the Board, and another French Man of War appearing in sight, she left the Chase, and came into *Kinsale* the 26th, having one Man killed, and several wounded. The same day arrived at *Kinsale* His Majesty's Ship the *Speedwell* from *Dublin*; and the *Salamander* from *Rotterdam*, bound to *Surinam*; and the *Dreadnought* failed for *Plimouth* with 10 sail of Merchant Ships under her Convoy: On the 28th His Majesty's Ships the *Lion* and *Speedwell* failed out of *Kinsale* Harbor, but were forced back the next day by contrary Winds. Capt. *Jumper* has put on shore 40 Prisoners, who belonged to a French Man of War called the *Fougueux* of 50 Guns, which he fought and sunk on the first of *December* last, near the French Coast. The *Fore-sight* and *Medway* Frigats arrived at *Baltimore* the 23th of the last Month; as also the *Mary* of *Bristol* laden with Sugars from *Neavis*.

*Falmouth, Jan. 6.* Yesterday in the Evening arrived here two Dutch Ships, the *Hannah* and *Jacoba* of *Flushing*, from the French Coast, the Commanders whereof give an account, That on this day seven-night, cruising off *Brest*, they saw 16 sail come out of that Road, who past by them, at about a Leagues distance, and steared their Course S. S. W. Wind then at East a gentle gale; there were in the Squadron two 3 Deck Ships, 13 from 50 to 70 Guns, and a Vessel with one Mast, which they reckon to be a Bomb Vessel; before night they saw them 9 Leagues off Shore: The same Evening they took a Buft in Ballast, bound for *Rochele*, which came out with this Squadron, the Master whereof says, the French Commanders reported they were bound for *Port Louis* to join other Ships there; but the Dutch Captains by their Course conclude, that they were bound either to the *Streights* or *West-Indies*.

*Whitehall, Jan. 9.* An humble Address has been Presented to His Majesty from the Mayor, Magistrates, and Common Council of the Borough of *Plimouth*, in which they do with great Thankfulness acknowledge His Majesty's Royal Favour, in Re-granting and Confirming to them their ancient Charter and Privileges; and for that His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Sir *Francis Drake*, Bar. to be their Recorder; and do renew the humble Assurances of their Loyal and Dutiful Affection to His Sacred Person and Government, and that they will employ the Powers and Privileges His Majesty has been graciously pleased to restore to them for the Service of His Majesty, and the good Government of that Borough.

#### Advertisements.

†† Historica nuperae Rerum Mutationis in Anglia: In qua res a Jacobo Rege contra Leges Angliae, & Europae Libertatem, & ab Ordinibus Angliae contra Regem petrae, duobus Libris recensentur. Auctore Ezek. Burridge, A. M. Diaconus, Connor. Vicar. General. Typis A. & J. Churchill, ad insigne Nigri Cygni in Vico dicto Pater-Noster-Row, & E. Castle prope Whitehall.

⇒ Moral Cards: By Emblems or Hieroglyphicks Representing the Virtues, Vices and Passions in Humane Figures, as designed by the Ancient Egyptians, Grecians and Romans, and described by the modern Italian Masters: Very useful, as well as pleasant and instructive. To be Sold by M. Gilliflower in Westminster-Hall, B. Tooke in Fleetstreet, W. Keblewhits in St. Paul's Church Yard, R. Parker at the Royal-Exchange, Booksellers, and by the Maker, Ch. Gilbert in Oldstreet.

\* \* A Sermon Preached before the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen, at Guildhall-Chapel, Novemb. 29. 1696. being the first Sunday in Advent. By L. Blackburne, Chaplain in Ordinary to His Majesty. Printed for Tho. Bernet, at the Half Moon in St. Paul's Church Yard.

⇒ A Treatise concerning Schism and Schismatics: Wherein the chief Grounds and Principles of a late Separation from the Church of England are Considered and Answer'd. By Henry Hollier, D. D. Fellow of C. C. C. Oxon. Printed for John Crofley, Bookfeller in Oxon; And Sold by E. Whillock, near Stationers-Hall, London.

†† The Present State of Europe, containing an Historical and Political Account of the Interests, Pretensions, and Transactions of the several Courts, for the Month of Decemb. 1696. Vol. 7. To be continued Monthly from the Original Published at the Hague. Printed for H. Rhodes, at the Corner of Bride-lane, in Fleet street; and J. Harris, at the Harrow in Little-Britain.

⇒ Dr. Rugeley's Library: Being a Curious Collection of Theological, Historical, Philological, Medicinal and Chymical Books, in Gr. Ital. Ger. Fr. and English. will be Sold by Auction by John Bulloud, at Dr. Rugeley's late dwelling House in Blomsbury, on Tuesday the 19th instant. Catalogues may be had gratis at Mr. Not's in the Pall Mall, Mr. Parker, at the Piazza on the Royal Exchange, Booksellers, Tom's Coffee House adjoining to Ludgate, and at the Place of Sale.

Delivered from Major Nehemiah Farmer's Company, in the Hon. Col. Tho. Brudenel's Regiment, Rich. Spencer, a black middle-sized Man; Philip and Peter Neetam, two Brothers the former a fair hair'd Man, the other black; and Tho. Atterton, a black Man; all well sized Men, aged about 25 each. Deserted also out of Capt. Hutchinson's Company, in the same Regiment, Tho. Holt, aged about 40, middle-sized, much Scar'd with the Small Pox; Edw. Bridge, a tall broad Man, aged about 26; Edw. Allen, a tall, broad, brown hair'd Man, aged about 25; and Geo. Roberts, middle sized, whitish hair, aged 19: All with their Cloaths and Accoutrements. Whoever secures any of the first 4, and gives notice thereof to Major Farmer, at his Quarters at Blandford in Dorsetshire; or any of the 4 latter, and gives notice to Capt. Hutchinson, at his Quarters at Westbury in Wiltshire, so as they may be brought to Justice, shall have a Guinea Reward for each.

Lost the 2d instant, a Turkey Leather Pocket Case, stich'd with Silver, in which was several Bank Notes, and other Notes and Receipts of Accounts of Wooll. Whoever gives notice of it to Mr William Steere, in Barnaby-Street in Southwark; or to Mr Richard Duppa, at the Great James Tavern in Bishopsgate-Street, so that they may be had again, shall have 5 Guineas Reward.

There being a third Dividend made out of the Estate of Robert Wested, late of London, Goldsmith; these are to give notice to such Creditors that have not already received their proportion thereof, that there will be a Meeting on Friday the 5th of February next, at two after Noon, at Freeman's Coffee-House over against Bow-Church in Cheap-side, to make a final end of the said Dividend.

Lost about 3 weeks since, a black Mare, having no white about her, which was hired from Deale to Canterbury, in Kent; she is about 14 hands high, having on a Saddle marked with G. R. Whoever gives notice of the said Mare to Mr. Henry Watts, at the Three Kings in Deale, or to Mr. Richard Watts, at Thame's Street, London, so as she may be had again, shall have a Guinea.