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Cadix, March 23. N. S.

**T**HE *Portland* Man of War, Captain *Littleton* Commander, arrived here the 14th instant from the *Streights*, with two English Merchant men under his Convoy, bound for *England*. Some Ships are ordered forthwith for the *Havana* and *Carthagena*, to carry Supplies for the *Galeons* in case they are not yet in their way hither. The Ships design'd for *New Spain* are *Carrening*, in order to their departure, which is intended to be about the middle of *July*. On the 16th sail'd hence two *Dutch* Men of War, and this day several *English*, *Dutch*, *Danish*, and *Suedish* Ships put to Sea, being bound Northwards.

*Lisbon*, April 1. The King of *Portugal* having resolv'd to increase his Forces to 20000 Foot and 4000 Horse, Commissions are given out for making new Levies accordingly. The Cortes or States of this Kingdom, which met here the first of *December* last, are still Assembled, not having yet agreed on the Method of raising the Duty they have resolv'd to lay upon *Tobacco*.

*Madrid*, April 2. The King of *Spain* is much better, and has been several times abroad to take the Air. His Catholick Majesty intends in a few days to leave this place, and to go to *Toledo*, and thence to *Guadalajara*. The Count de *Monterey* continues confin'd to his own House. The French Ambassador has not yet seen the King, nor is any time fix'd for his Audience; but the Cardinal of *Cordova*, is appointed to Confer with him as his Catholick Majesty's Commissioner, touching the Matters he has to propose. Our last Letters from *Malaga*, say, The Siege of *Ceuta* is still carried on with a great deal of Obstinacy by the *Moors*, who have lately received a considerable Reinforcement.

*Lisborne*, April 7. Sir *Lambert Blackwell*, His Majesty of *Great Britain's* Envoy Extraordinary, having taken his Leave of the Doge and Senate of *Genova*, departed thence the 4th instant, the Senate having appointed one of their Gallies to bring him to this place, where he arriv'd the 5th: He was received as well by the Governor and Chief Officers of the Town, as by the English Factory, with great Civility and Respect.

*Venice*, April 12. Another Convoy is fitting here for the *Levant*, which may be ready to sail about the end of this month, and with this opportunity several Companies of new raised Soldiers will be sent thither. The last Advices from *Turky* say, The Visier and some other of the Chief Officers of that Court, shew'd a great Disposition to enter upon a Treaty of Peace, with the Emperor and his Allies; but that the *Mufti* was of a contrary Opinion, and endeavour'd to persuade the Grand Signior to a vigorous Prosecution of the War, which he thinks cannot be ended at this time but upon such Terms as will be very dishonourable to the Ottoman Empire; The same Letters add, The Sultan had caus'd the Aga of the *Jannifaries* to be Strangled, upon something he had done to displease him; That Endeavours had been us'd to dissuade the Sultan from going into the Field this Summer, seeing all he could propose to do, would be to stand on the Defensive,

which would not be much for his Honour, but that he had notwithstanding resolv'd to Command his Army in Person this Campagne, and to depart from *Adrianople* in the beginning of *May* for *Sophia*, where is to be the general Rendezvous of his Forces.

*Dantzick*, April 15. Our last Letters from *Warsaw* say, The Cardinal Primate and his Adherents are to meet this day at *Lowitz*, persisting still in their Resolution not to Acknowledge the King of *Poland*, unless upon such Conditions as he seems not at all inclin'd to comply with, and that it is much discour'd there, that the Cardinal has lately received a considerable Sum of Money from abroad to Encourage and Countenance his Party. We hear, the Disorders in *Lithuania* continue still, and that General *Sapieha* has lately gain'd some Advantages over the *Sieur Oginsky*. The Princes *Alexander* and *Constantine*, Sons to the late King of *Poland*, are at present at *Lemberg*, and Prince *James* their Brother at *Pilaskowitz*. We hear, a Party of the *Trinity* of *Caminiac* attacked lately the Fort of the *Trinity*, situate on that Frontier, but were repuls'd by the *Poles*, and oblig'd to retire with loss.

*Vienna*, April 12. The Preparations for the next Campagne are continued in these Parts with great Application; The Imperial Forces are to be at their Rendezvous about the middle of the next month; A great Train of Artillery, and Magazines of Provisions are provided, and by all appearance some considerable Siege will be undertaken; which the *Turks* themselves seem very apprehensive of, and therefore do all they can to put their Frontier Places, and especially *Temeswar* and *Belgrade*, in a good posture of Defence. The Nobility of *Hungary* have lately Petitioned for an Abatement of the Contributions they are Charged with towards the Supplies that Province has consented to give for carrying on the War, but this Court did not think fit to comply with them in this Point. We hear, the States of *Hungary* are still assembled to consider of the Means of raising the Sums they are to furnish for maintaining the Forces in that Kingdom according to the Regulation newly agreed on by them with the Emperor's Commissioners.

*Francfort*, April 20. The Diet of *Ratisbonne* have agreed on a Commission, to Empower in the Name of the Empire, the Persons therein named, to take Possession of the Fortress of *Philipsburg*, which the French are to restore. The Elector of *Mentz* is lately come to *Amorbach* to receive the Homage of that City, and will come next Friday to *Ashaffenburg*. The Baron of *Ingelsheim* is made President of the Chamber of *Wezlar*. We hear from *Strasbourg*, That the *Sieur d'Obrecht* is shortly expected back there, being appointed to assist on the part of the French King at the Conferences that are to be held for Adjusting the Dutcheffs of *Orleans's* Pretensions on the *Palatinate*.

*Hamburg*, April 22. The Chapter of *Osnabrug* have made Choice of the Baron of *Metternicke*, their Dean, to take care of the Administration of the Affairs of that Bishoprick, during the Minority of the Prince of *Lorraine*, lately Chosen Bishop of *Osnabrug*.  
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*Brussels, April 24.* The Council of *Munick* have sent Deputies to the Elector of *Bavaria*, to desire the Prince his Son may remain among them; but his Electoral Highness, has, notwithstanding thought fit to renew his Orders for his coming hither. The Marquis de *Bedmar*, General of Arms, is recruiting and remounting his Regiment of Guards. We have an Account from *Lisse*, That most of the Swiss Regiments in those Parts are to march to the Incampment that is appointed at *Compeigne*; That a Review has lately been taken of the Horse in and about the City of *Lisse*, the Officers of which received Orders not to suffer their Troopers to absent themselves from their Quarters; And that the French Officers are Recruiting their Regiments.

*Hague, April 25.* N. S. The Deputies of the several Colleges of the Admiralty began yesterday their Conferences touching the Marine Affairs. Count *Straatman*, his Imperial Majesty's Ambassador is on his departure homewards, the Count de *Goes*, who is to succeed him, being shortly expected. The Baron of *Lilliercor*, Ambassador of *Sueden*, will remain here some time longer, having received the Commands of his Suedish Majesty, not to leave this place till further Orders. Baron d'*Heckeren*, Minister from this State at *Stockholme*, is expected home in a few days, and is to call at the Courts of *Hanover* and *Lunenburg* in his Journey hither. We have Advice, That the Elector *Palatine* is arrived at *Aix la Chapelle*, intending to spend some days there. Our last Letters from *France* confirm the arrival of Monsieur *Heenskirke*, Ambassador from the *States General*, at *Paris*; and add, that the *Sieur d'Odyke*, who is going to that Court with the same Character, is come to *Lisse* on his way thither.

*Paris, April 25.* N. S. On the 20th instant the Earl of *Portland*, Ambassador Extraordinary from His Majesty of *Great Britain*, was visited by the Count de *Thoulouse* and the Duke de *Maine*, in return of the Visits his Excellency made them. On the 22th, My Lord Ambassador, with several English Noblemen and Gentlemen, who accompanied his Excellency, were Entertained at Dinner by the Duke of *Orleans* at his House at *St. Cloud*, and in the afternoon his Royal Highness carried them in his own Coaches to see his Gardens. Monsieur *Heenskirke*, Ambassador from the *States General*, arrived here some days ago from *Holland*; and the *Sieur d'Odyke* his Colleague is shortly expected. They write from *Languedoc*, That the Persecution against the Protestants continues as violent as ever, several of them having lately been seized and committed to Prison on account of their Religion. Letters from *Madrid* of the 10th instant, N. S. give an Account, That the King of *Spain's* Health grew better every day; that he went frequently abroad to take the Air, and would begin his Journey the 24th to *Toledo*, where the Archbishop's Palace was preparing for him.

*Plimouth, April 17.* Last Wednesday came in here from Ireland, His Majesty's Ships the *Milford* and *Medway* Prize.

*Deale, April 19.* Yesterday in the Afternoon sailed hence to the Westward His Majesty's Ship the *Swan*.

Admiralty-Office, April 14.

Whereas a Letter has been sent to the Secretaries of the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 10th instant, and signed T. G. giving an Account that he is willing to discover several Misdemeanors Aided and Committed in His Majesty's Service by some Officers: These are therefore to give Notice, That if the Persons who wrote the said Letter, will attend their Lordships Secretary, at the Admiralty-Office near *Whitehall*, he shall have the Protection of the Board, and all fitting Encouragement towards the making out the said Discoveries.

Navy-Office, April 20.

The Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy having received a Letter dated the 19th instant, and signed W. D. intimating that he can discover some Abuses committed by a Captain's Clerk in His Majesty's Navy, if he may be Pardoned and Protected: These are to give Notice,

That if the Author of the said Letter shall think fit to attend the Navy-Board, and make any Discovery to His Majesty's Advantage, he shall have all fitting Encouragement for the same.

The last Account in the Gazette being not so Exact, this is Printed to Rectify the same.

These are to give Notice, That a General Court of Election is to be holden at the East-India House, on Wednesday the 27th instant, for Choosing a Governor and Deputy Governor; and another General Court of Election for Choosing 24 Commissioners, on Thursday the 28th instant, for the year ensuing. Each Adventurer is personally to bring in his Votes; That by His Majesty's late Grant, it is granted directed and ordained, That all and every Person having 500 l. in the Joyn't Stock of the said Company in his or her own Right, and for his or her own Use, and not in Trust for any other Person or Persons be capable of having One Vote; and if 1000 l. in the like nature be capable of having Two Votes; if 2000 l. Stock in the like nature be capable of having Three Votes; if 3000 l. in the like nature be capable of having Four Votes; if 4000 l. in the like nature be capable of having Five Votes, in any General Courts or Courts of Elections; And that further grants direct and ordain. That no Person or Persons have more than Five Votes, although he or she have more than 4000 l. Stock in the said Company; And that no Person, that shall have in the said Joyn't Stock in his or her own Name, and for his or her own use, any Sum less than 500 l. shall have any Vote in any of the said Courts.

Advertisements.

Blank Warrants to the Assessors and Collectors of the Aid now Granted to His Majesty by Virtue of an Act of Parliament, Intituled, An Act for Granting to His Majesty the Sum of 1484015 l. 1 s. 11 d. 3 q. for Disbanding Forces, Paying Seamen, Approved by the Right Honourable Sir Thomas Trevor, His Majesty's Attorney General, are Printed for and Sold by R. Vincent in Cliffords-Lane, Chr. Coningsby against St. Dunham Church, in Fleetstreet, and J. Brixey at Clemens Inn Gate.

Whereas several Meetings of the Creditors of Alderman Backwell Esq; deceased, having been in order to subscribe the Agreement lately made for the Payment of the said Creditors, such of the Creditors who have not subscribed the same, are desired to meet at Garraways Coffee house in Exchange-Alley, on Friday the 22th instant, in Order to subscribe the said Agreement, to the end the Creditors may receive the speedy Benefit thereof: In the mean time the several Instruments are left with Mr. Syms at Mr. Snags at the Flying Horse in Lombard Street, and at Mr. Bassett within Temple-Bar, for the Conveniency of those that cannot themselves meet.

The Instrument of Composition according to the late Act of Parliament between the Creditors of Sir Robert Viner and Thomas Viner Esq; his Executor, now lieth ready to be subscribed at Mr. John Huggins, Attorney at Law, in Grocers-Alley in the Poultry, London; where all Persons who have not yet subscribed, are desired forthwith to Call and perform the same.

Whereas John Williams, Butcher, lately living at Bournefleet in Meodon in Middlesex, aged 22, fresh coloured, brown curled Hair, was the 11th instant taken upon Suspicion of Entering the House, and Breaking open a Chest of Will. Wixon of Bournefleet, Carpenter, and taking away 16 l. in Silver and Gold, and a Gold Ring; And as the said Wixon was going with him before a Justice, the said Williams run away. Whoever apprehends him, and gives notice to Will. Wixon aforesaid, shall have 10 s. Reward.

Nicholas Horne, aged 24, pale face, wears a Bob Wig, and a Cellamanco Waistcoat sad colour'd, with Blue Flowers, and a brick coloured Coat, and sometimes wears a sad coloured Coat, lined with blue, Anthony Murrell, a Portuguese, aged 22, middle sized, wears a long Campaign Wig, brown colour, a red Waistcoat, and a sad colour Coat with Buttons down both sides, he twinkles with his Eyes, and pale visage, and speaks little or no English, made their Escape out of the Cooner Prison in Southwark, the 18th instant. Whoever gives Notice of them to the Keeper of the said Prison, shall have five Guineas Reward for each, and reasonable Charges.

Whereas a Person took a Lodging at the House of Robert Harvey at the 3 Crowns next Castle-yard in Wolbourn; Miliner, going by the Name of Mr. Thomas a Lincolnshire Attorney, middle sized, with a brown Wig, sandy coloured Cloak, a Patch on his right Cheek, with another Man, Rob'd the House on Sunday last, about 3 afternoon, when Mr. Harvey and his Wife were at Church, of the Goods following, viz. a large Tankard marked R H E. a Cup, 2 Spoons, a Salt, with the same mark, all of Silver, a sad colour Coat and Breeches, a Cloak lined with Purple, a Man's green and gold, lined with black, a white fitch Petticoat, a strip Sattin Petticoat with a Gold Orace-Laces with a great quantity of Worment Linnen and Wearing Apparel, to a considerable Value. Whoever secures the said Persons, and gives Notice to the said Mr. Harvey, shall have 5 l. and if the Goods be recovered 20 l. and proportionable for any part.

Run away with a strong grey Gelding, flea-bitten on the Head and Neck, several Sores on his Back, 14 hands high, about 14 years old, by a little Slim Man, with a dark brown Complexion, a long dark brown Wig, with a yellowish Frieze Coat, and Splaterdables with Pewter Buttons, he is aged about 45. Whoever secures Man and Horse, and gives Notice to Mr. Will. Whiting, Wine Cooper, at the lower-end of Dowgate Hill, London, shall have a Guinea Reward for each.