

the *Lady of Savona*, which is situated about eight Miles from the City of that Name. Letters from Mantua of the 24th advise, that Don Philip made his Entry into Milan the 19th Instant, and that M. de Gages was making Preparations to besiege the Citadel. The same Letters confirm the Communication of the Imperial Army with the Milanese and Mantuan States being cut off by a strong Corps of Troops posted on the opposite Side of the Tesin, under the Command of M. de Vieuville. Letters from Madrid of the 1st Instant advise, that the Court had sent repeated Orders to expedite the Embarkation of the Troops at Barcelona, for reinforcing the Army in Italy, and enabling them to push on their Designs with Vigour. By the Spence Sloop arrived here two Days ago, in eight Days from Mahone, there is an Account, that a French Martinico Ship had been taken off Cadiz by some of his Britannick Majesty's Ships, and sent into Gibraltar.

*Berlin, Jan. 15, N. S.* The Peace was published here on the 12th Instant by a Herald. In the Evening there was a *Ridotto*, and the painted Temple of Peace was illuminated, as were likewise the Palaces of the Prince of Prussia and Margrave Charles. A triumphal Arch was raised and illuminated at the Expence of the French Burghers who inhabit a Part of this Town. Some Tables were prepared in the Opera House, where the Burghers had Liberty to eat. The whole Royal Family is at present here.

*Inverness, Dec. 29.* The March of Mr. Macleod with the Detachment of 700 Men, without the Grants, who returned from Strathbogie, forced the Rebels to retire to Aberdeen, and to send for a Reinforcement from Montrose, Dundee, &c. They marched out of Aberdeen on the 23d Instant with about 1200 Men, so secretly, that they came up with Mr. Macleod at Inverourie, where he lay with about 300 of his Men (the rest being cartoon'd in the Neighbourhood, at the Distance of a Mile or two) after Four o'Clock in the Evening, without being discovered, till they were ready to begin the Attack; Mr. Macleod however, and Captain Munro of Cullairn, got the Handful of Men they had in the Village immediately together, and notwithstanding the Surprize, and the great Inequality of Numbers, maintained their Ground for about 20 Minutes, until they had fired away the greatest Part of their Shot, and then made their Retreat in so good Order, that the Enemy did not think fit to pursue them one Yard. The Rebels do not pretend that we lost in this Scuffle any more than seven Men killed, and 15 so wounded that they could not be brought off. Their own Loss they took Care to conceal, by burying their Dead in the Night-time; but all the Reports from that Country agree, that it was much more considerable than ours. We have been obliged to retire to this Side the Spay, to prevent Surprizes of the like Nature, until we are reinforced. This Affair has however retarded the Rebels recruiting, and has forced them to detach from the South, which weakens them there.

*Edinburgh, Jan. 11.* Yesterday Morning about 3 or 400 of the Rebels went off in great Hurry from Falkirk towards Airth, to assist their Party there, in mounting their Cannon to cover their Passage over the River. It is said that the Rebels have demanded 600 l. Sterling Contribution from the Inhabitants of Falkirk.

Captain Faulkener, in the *Vulture Sloop*, being arrived at Inverkeithen Road, sent the Cutter and Boats before, who, upon their Arrival in Kincardin Road, saw a Brig come out of Airth, which the Rebels had seized in order to transport their Cannon from Allowa up the Firth, to batter Stirling Castle. The next Morning Captain Faulkener arrived in the Road likewise, and upon the Lieutenant of the *Pearle's* informing him of this, and of there being two more Vessels in Airth that were liable to be seized by the Rebels for the same Purpose, he sent the Boats mann'd and arm'd to burn them, which they effectually performed without the Loss of a Man, though the Rebels fired some Platoons from the Town. While this was doing the Tide fell so low, that he could not return to the Road that Night, upon which the Rebels in Airth opened a Battery of three Pieces of Cannon, and in the Morning began to play upon him very unexpectedly, but did him no Damage. The Fire from the Sloop dismounted two of their Cannon, killed their principal Engineer, as they heard by a Man of the Town, with some others, and drove the Rebels all out of the Town, and from their Battery; after which they drew off their Cannon to Elphinstone, and at the same Time got one more from the Body of their Army at Falkirk, and erected with them a Four Gun Battery on the Point of Elphinstone, in order to guard the Pass.

Colonel Leighton join'd them the 9th with 300 Men, and it was agreed to attack the Brig at Allowa, which had on board the Rebels Cannon; and for that Purpose to send 50 of Colonel Leighton's Men in a large Boat, with the Ship's Boats mann'd and arm'd, to lie all Night a Mile above Allowa, to prevent the said Brig's going up the Firth that Night, and Captain Faulkener and Colonel Leighton agreed to go up in the Morning Tide to attack the Town, and take her from under the Guns of Allowa, all which might have been executed, but the Boats, after they had passed the Town, unluckily grounded, which discovered the whole; upon which the Rebels beat to Arms, and fired from Right to Left very near Half a Mile, and obliged the Boats to retreat, with the Loss of one Man, and another's Leg shot off, but it prevented the Brig's going up that Tide; however it was resolved to go up in the Morning with the Ships, and Colonel Leighton's Men were landed at Kincardine, in order to attack them by Land; but while this was doing, the Brig took the Opportunity of the Tide, and sail'd up the Firth. According to Accounts since received, she had only two large Pieces of Cannon on board with Ammunition. There remains at Allowa five Pieces more, three of which are mounted on the Key.

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