

nico thither, had been met about the Beginning of January last by four British Men of War, with two of which some Shot had been exchanged; but that the Etoile had outfailed them. That the Convoy had been dispersed upon this Occasion, and that only eight of them had got into Port, when the Advices came from thence; five having been driven on shore, and taken by some Privateers. M. du Bois was himself got into Cape Tiberon after a Passage of 63 Days; but ten British Ships were waiting under Le Mone de St. Nicolas, to intercept the Convoy homeward bound.

Whitehall, March 3.

The King has been pleased to order Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the Kingdom of Ireland, for the Translation of the Right Reverend Dr. George Stone, Bishop of Derry, to the Archbishoprick of Ardmagh.

Also for the Translation of the Right Reverend Dr. William Barnard, Bishop of Raphoe, to the See of Derry.

And also for the Promotion of the Reverend Dr. Philip Twysden to the See of Raphoe.

Admiralty-Office, March 3.

Captain Barradal, Commander of his Majesty's Ship the Falkland, on a Cruize in the Channel, on the 22d of last Month, came up with a French Privateer after a Chase of five Hours, and took her and brought her into Falmouth. She is called the Tyger, of 26 Guns, belonging to St. Malo, and has 220 Men on board.

The Days appointed for the Lent Assizes,
1746.

Home Circuit.

Hertford, Thursday March 19, at the Town of *Hertford*.

Essex, Monday March 23, at *Chelmsford*.

Kent, Monday March 30, at *Rocheſter*.

Suffex, Monday April 6, at *East Grinſted*.

Surry, Saturday April 11, at *Guildford*.

Erratum. In the Gazette of Saturday the 17th of January last, Page 2. Col. 1. for the Sheriff of Denby, instead of Robert Williams, of Pwilly, Esq; read Robert Williams, of Pwilly Crochon, Esq;.

The Honourable House of Commons having encouraged Mr. Thomas Lowndes to shew how to improve and meliorate the Brine-Salt of this Kingdom; he therefore thinks it his Duty, to acquaint such Persons interested in Brine-Salt, as may not like to comply strictly with his printed Method or Process, that (after the Pans are purged, and the Fresh is duly diminished) if they boil with much gentler Fires, they will save themselves a good deal of Expence in Fuel, and supply the Publick with incomparably better Salt: For the finest and most subtle Spirit of the Brine evaporates by too long a Continuance of intense Heat, and the natural Grain of the Salt is thereby also quite destroy'd.

It is likewise apprehended, that this Intimation will be very serviceable in making Salt from Sea-Water.

Whitehall, February 24, 1746-7.

It having been represented to His Majesty, that John Simkins, Henry Francombe, William Smart, and Harman Seagar, all of Chippenham, in the County of Wilts, were, on the Second of this Instant February, in a Barn, near the Road on the Top of Kingsdown Hill, in the Parish of Box, in the said County, assaulted, beaten, and abused, in a most cruel Manner, by Seven or Eight Men in Disguise; and that Harman Seagar soon after died of the Wounds he then received: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in committing the said Murder, is graciously pleased to promise his Pardon to any one of them, who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices, so as they, or any of them, may be apprehended and convicted thereof. And as a further Encouragement for making such Discovery as aforesaid, his Majesty is pleased to promise a Reward of One Hundred Pounds, to be paid on the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

By the principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy.

The Right Hon. the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury having appointed Money for paying of Half Pay to Sea Officers, from the 1st of January 1745, to the 30th of June 1746, according to his Majesty's Establishment on that Behalf;

These are to give Notice, that the said Payment will begin to be made at the Treasurer of the Navy's Office in Broad Street, at Nine of the Clock in the Morning, the following Days, to wit, on Thursday the 26th of February for Captains, Friday the 27th for Lieutenants, and Saturday the 28th for Masters and Surgeons, that all Persons concerned may then and there attend to receive what may become payable to them, and not only bring with them the Affidavit required touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any publick Employment, either at Sea or on Shore, during the Time they are to be paid the said Half Pay, but also produce Certificates that they have subscribed to the Test, and taken the Oaths required by Act of Parliament to his present Majesty. And in Case any of the said Officers shall not be able to attend themselves to receive their Money, but employ Attorneys for that Purpose, that the said Attorneys may produce the like Certificates and Affidavits