

to, in any such Foreign Company; and who shall not, within Six Months, next after the Accepting such Trust, or coming to the Knowledge of such Interest, Share, Proportion, or Concern, as aforesaid, truly discover the same in Writing to the East-India Company, or their Court of Directors, shall forfeit Treble the Value of the Interest so accepted in Trust, or so known and not discovered, as aforesaid; and any Person making such Discovery, is intitled to a Moiety of the Forfeiture.

And all His Majesty's Subjects, (other than such as are lawfully authorized thereunto,) going to, or found in the East-Indies, are declared guilty of a High Crime, and Misdemeanor; and are made liable to Corporal Punishment, Imprisonment, or Fine, for the same, at the Discretion of such of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, where the Prosecution for such Offence shall be commenced.

And every Person so offending may be seized, and brought to England, and committed to Goal there, by any one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, until sufficient Security be given by Natural-born Subjects or Denizens, to appear in the Court, where such Prosecution shall be commenced, to answer the same, and not depart without Leave of the Court.

*3d Geo. II. Cap. 14.*] By an Act passed in the 3d Year of His present Majesty, it is Enacted, That if any of His Majesty's Subjects (other than the East-India Company, and those licensed by them,) shall directly, or indirectly, go to, trade, or adventure into, or from, the East-Indies, every such Offender shall incur the Forfeiture, and Loss, of all the Ships, and Vessels, employed in such Voyage, Trade, or Adventure; and also all the Goods laden thereupon, or that were sent to, acquired, traded or adventured, within the East-Indies, and all the Proceed, and Effects, of the same, and Double the Value thereof.

*Naples, January 4.* The two Men of War belonging to this Kingdom, which have been cruising for some Months past against the Corsairs of Barbary, came into Port on Sunday last, and are ordered to be laid up till next March. On Thursday last M. Verelst, Envoy Extraordinary from the States General to this Court, was admitted to his first private Audiences of the King and Queen at *Caserta*

*Petersbourg, Jan. 7.* The Preparations for

the Empress's Journey to *Moscow* are again suspended. We have received Advice from *Casfan*, that the Missionaries, who were sent into Great Tartary, continue their Labours with great Success; and 'tis computed have already baptized at least one Third of the Inhabitants of that vast Tract of Country.

*Rome, Jan. 8.* In the Night between Tuesday and Wednesday last some Villains found Means to break into the Church of St. Martin, and carried off a magnificent Silver Lamp, set round with precious Stones, and valued at about 12000 Crowns. Letters from several Parts of the Ecclesiastical State agree, that on the 2d Instant they had a very severe Shock of an Earthquake, which pretty much alarmed the Inhabitants, but went off without doing any considerable Damage.

*Genoa, Jan. 10.* Last Week an Express from *Madrid* passed through this City for the Courts of *Parma* and *Naples*, with the News of Captain's Stuart's having taken a large Algerine Man of War, after an obstinate Engagement of many Hours.

*Milan, Jan. 10.* We learn from *Mantua*, that on the 6th Instant a violent Shock of an Earthquake was felt there, which however caused but little Damage.

*Turin, Jan. 10.* A few Days ago the Dutchess of Savoy's Pregnancy was declared at Court, and she advances very happily in it.

*Stockholm, Jan. 11.* The States of this Kingdom, who adjourned on Account of the Holydays, are now met again, and have under their Consideration the Number of Forces necessary to be kept on Foot both for Land and Sea Service. The King has declared his Intention of reviewing the Troops, and visiting the Fortifications in *Finland* next Spring; and 'tis said the States will vote him a sufficient Sum to answer the Expences of that Journey.

*Hamburgh, Jan. 21.* M. Destinon, who has held many Years the Office of Prussian Post-Master in *Hamburgh*, with the Character of Resident from that Court, dyed here a few Days ago.

*Brussels, Jan. 24.* The Empress Queen has conferred on M. Cordeys, Member of the Council of the Finances, the important Post of President of the Chamber of Accompts in this City, in the Room of the late M. de Wit. The Deputies of the States of *Hainault* are arrived here, and were Yesterday in Conference with the Marquess de Botta d'Adorno. A few Days ago the Hereditary Prince of *Brunswick Wolfembuttel* set out from hence on his Return to Germany, having seen every Thing valuable in this City. We hear by Letters from *Marsailles*, that a Fire lately broke out there, and entirely consumed a large Warehouse in which was a great Quantity of Foreign Merchandize, and particularly 100 Bales of Cotton; and that the Damage was computed to amount to at least 200,000 Livres.

*Hogue, Jan. 27.* The Deputies of the several Colleges of the Admiralty of these Provinces have been assembled here for some Days, and have now under Consideration some important