

afraid to meet, or entertain each other at their Houses as usual, for fear of giving Suspicion;

They write from Batavia, that on the 20th of November last, there happen'd a most dreadful Fire in the Royal Palace of the King of Siam, by which it was burnt down to the Ground, and an immense Treasure of Gold and Silver melted therein, which however will be recovered; but vast Quantities of rich Jewells are said to be missing. The Flames spread on all Sides in such a Manner, that the King and Royal Family were forced to retire almost naked, in order to preserve their Lives.

To the Right Honourable Lord GEORGE GRAHAM.

Written after the Engagement off Ostend.

HOW to thy Worth can I exalt my Lays?
 Thus truly glorious, thou transcend'st our Praise;
 Thou fought'st so bravely in thy Country's Cause,
 Wonder is silent, and we pant Applause.
 Suit with thy Ardour, which inspeld to Fame,
 I saw the Britons catch thy gen'rous Flame;
 Wait for thy Word; with hostile Shouts engage,
 And pour Destruction with heroic Rage:
 Loud was the Din, as Jove's own Thunder hur'd,
 With Wrath vindictive, on a guilty World:
 Death rous'd his Train at the tremendous Roar,
 And welter'd in a Sea of Gallic Gore;
 While smiling Conquest, by fair Safety led,
 O'er BRITAIN'S Ships her guardian Banners spread.
 Firm in the Senate, active on the Wave,
 'Tis thine, to fight the Foe, and brand the Slave;
 Thine, to defend the Rights which others sold,
 Contemning Gallic Pow'r, and Gallic Gold.
 Oh! had Toulon beheld what Ostend saw,
 To faithless Gallia Albion would give Law;
 But HEAVEN with Virtue so enrich'd thy Mind,
 We mourn the Want of it in half Mankind.
 Proceed, protect, and guard BRITANNIA'S Shore;
 And to her Annals add one RALEIGH more.

Extract of a Letter from Edinburgh, Sep. 9.

"An Express arriv'd from General Cope at Inverness, who came by the Low Country Road, advising his being well, and that he had stol'd a March upon the Highlanders. General Hamilton's Regiment of Dragoons decamp'd on Wednesday from St. Ann's Yards, and pitched their Tents in Bedford's Park, under the Cannon of the Castle. The Magistrates of this City have sent several Carts laden with Arms to Leith, in order to arm all the Inhabitants. The Ships arriv'd from London bring between 5 and 6000 Stand of Arms. We learn that Bodies of the Highlanders are coming down into Fife, and that they have sent Letters to several Persons to come and attend their Standard."

A Letter from the Neighbourhood of Dumfries, dated August 30, says,—"I send you a Piece of News which you may absolutely depend upon, viz. The Covenanters round Dumfries have been privately arming ever since they heard of the intended Invasion. They are regimented to the Number of 1000, having got two or three Standards painted in Dumfries, which many have visited: On one Side is a flaming Sword represented, as guarding the Thistle with a Crown over it, the Words over the Sword *Jehovah Nissi*, and above the Crown and Thistle the Words, *The Covenanted Work of Reformation*. They expect a great increase, which we guess from their having bespoke several such Standards."

We hear Men of War, and twenty Transports are arriv'd at Canada from Cádiz.

BOSTON, November 11.

Saturday last Capt. Le Favre arriv'd here from Ratan, near the Bay of Honduras, who informs, that as he was going into the Bay, he met with a Vessel who told him, that the Spaniards had taken the New River, and were going to the Old River to do the like there; so that he return'd home without a Freight.

Extract of a Letter from Amsterdam, dated Nov. 4, 1745.

"We wish you Joy with the Grand Duke's Election. It is assur'd the Ambassadors of Prussia and the Elector Palatine, who have hitherto oppos'd it, have likewise given him their Votes, when they found that they would go in spite of their Teeth. Pray acquaint all Friends with it."

Our private Advices from Europe are, that most of the eminent Merchants in France are broke.—That our Mast Ships and most of the other Vessels that sail'd with 'em were arriv'd.—That 11 Transports with Stores for Louisburg, and about 600 Soldiers for that Place and Annapolis Royal, lay ready to sail; and that 15 Transports were gone to Gibraltar to take on board a Regiment of Soldiers for Louisburg.—That a Squadron of his Majesty's Ships were cruizing on the Coast of Scotland, to prevent any Succours going to the Rebels, who were not very numerous, and mostly Rabble.—And that his Excellency our Governour is appointed Colonel of one of the Regiments to be placed in the Garrison of Louisburg, on the British Establishment.—But the Report we had of Admiral Rowley's taking the French Turkey Fleet, proves to be without Foundation.

November 11. Tuesday last being the anniversary of the Gunpowder Plot, two Popes were made and carried thro' the Streets in the Evening, one from the North and another from the South End of the Town, attended by a vast Number of Negroes and white Servants, armed with Clubs, Staves and Cutlasses, who were very abusive to the Inhabitants, insulting the Persons and breaking the Windows, &c. of such as did not give them Money to their Satisfaction, and even many of those who had given them liberally; and the two Popes meeting in Cornhill, their Followers were so infatuated, as to fall upon each other with the utmost Rage and Fury: Several were sorely wounded and bruised, and some left for dead, and rendered incapable of any Business for a long Time, to the great Loss and Damage of their respective Masters.

Extract of a Letter from Charlestown in South Carolina, dated October 17, 1745.

"The Sickness here has carried off vast Numbers of People, especially Strangers, or People who have not been above a Year or two in the Province; some by the Black Vomit, others by the Yellow Fever, some by the Nervous and another more malignant Fever than either.—The Day before Yesterday came in a Flag of Truce from St. Augustine; she has brought 11 Masters of Vessels and about 40 Seamen, all taken since the 5th of August."

ANNAPOLIS.

Last Friday Robert Gordon, Esq; and Mr. Walter Dulany were unanimously Chosen to Represent this City in the next General Assembly.

We hear the following Gentlemen are Elected to Represent their respective Counties.

In Kent County, Mr. Matthias Harris, Mr. Richard Gresham, Mr. George Wilson, and Mr. John Gresham.

In Dorchester County, Capt. Bartholomew Ennalls, Col. Henry Cooper, Capt. Philomun Lee, and Mr. Francis Lee.

In Somerset County, Willm. King, Esq; Col. Robert Duffield.

In Prince Georges County, Mr. [Name], Esq; Capt. John Burroughs.