

MARYLAND GAZETTE.

F R I D A Y, D E C E M B E R 8, 1780.

M A D R I D, August 29.

LIST of the vessels which have been taken, on the 9th inst. by the combined fleets of France and Spain, under the command of Don Louis de Cordova, being near the whole of a fleet which sailed from Portsmouth on the 15th of July, under convoy of the Romulus, of 74 guns, and the two frigates Thetis and Southampton, of 36 guns each; these having the advantage of the wind, and being in the rear of the fleet, made their escape. The prizes have all anchored in Cadiz bay, on the 20th of this month. This account is sent from sea to court. It is to be observed, that of this fleet, only 8 or 10 were of 200 tons burthen; the generality about 300 tons, several of 400, and the Indiamen, with two more, about 700 tons. Five more of the convoy have been taken and carried into Alexerias, by Don Antonio Barcelo's fleet, they were bound to Gibraltar, and loaded with provisions. It is supposed that this fleet, though not so numerous as some, is the richest that have failed from England for some years past. Ship Godfrey, East-Indiaman, her cargo clothing for the troops, ammunition, &c. with effects usually sent to the East-Indies, 28 guns, 100 men, 5 officers, 70 soldiers, 10 women, and 33 passengers. Ship Hetibreck, East-Indiaman, her cargo ammunition and goods, 30 guns, 130 men. Ship Gatton, East Indiaman, her cargo ammunition, and all kinds of goods proper for St. Helena and Bencoulen markets, whither she was bound, 28 guns, 122 men, 17 soldiers, 5 women, 10 passengers. Ship Royal George, East-Indiaman, her cargo ammunition and goods for Madras, and other factories, 28 guns, 107 men, 3 officers, 69 soldiers, 5 women and 13 passengers. Ship Mount Steward, East-Indiaman, her cargo ammunition and effects proper for the Indies, bound to Bengal, 28 guns, 100 men, 70 soldiers, 6 women, 24 passengers. Ship Ellis, her cargo provisions for the fleet in America, 18 guns, 33 men. Ship Catharine, her cargo goods and 50 barrels of powder, for Barbados, 14 men, 1 officer, 4 women, 5 passengers. Ship Ritters, her cargo, flour, bread, beef, pulse, and made rigging, for the islands, 8 men. Ship Sandwich, her cargo provisions of all kinds for Barbados, 19 men. Ship Mary, her cargo beef, pork, flour, cordage, anchors, and other effects for the king, for St. Kitts, 16 men. Ship Achilles, her cargo beef, pork, flour, liquor, pulse, &c. for Madeira and Eustatius, 21 men. Ship Houghton, her cargo 2700 barrels of powder, and various goods for the West-Indies, 30 men, 150 soldiers. Ship Sufanna, her cargo provisions of all kinds, for the West-Indies, 14 men. Ship Jupiter, her cargo bread and all kinds of provisions, for Barbados, 16 men. There is a small box on board, sealed up said to be worth 1200 guineas. Ship Sister, her cargo beef, pork, flour, pulse, and other provisions, for the islands, 23 men. Ship Rodney, her cargo provisions, cordage and powder, for the West-Indies, 12 men. Ship Eliza, her cargo beef, pork, flour, and all kinds of provisions, for St. Lucia, 21 men. Ship Betsey, her cargo beef, flour, and all sorts of goods for Jamaica, 22 men. Ship Larvin Galus, her cargo duck, cables, cordage, flour, and other provisions, for St. Kitts. Ship Aurora, her cargo flour, bread, and all sorts of provisions, for the islands, 14 men, 3 passengers. Ship William, her cargo provisions of all sorts, for the islands, 24 men. Ship John, her cargo provisions of all sorts, for the islands, 13 men, 1 woman, 1 passenger. Ship French, her cargo provisions, for St. Lucia, 15 men. Ship Charming, her cargo provisions of all sorts, for the islands, 15 men. Ship Lion, her cargo provisions, rum and goods, for Jamaica, 18 men, 7 officers, 153 soldiers, 25 women, 15 passengers. Ship Fanny, her cargo powder, beer, and various sorts of provisions for Jamaica and Antigua, 18 men. Ship Martha, her cargo provisions, dry goods, and tools for the plantations, for St. Kitts. Ship Friend, her cargo bread, and all sorts of tools for the plantations, for St. Kitts. Ship Colhoun, her cargo flour, mules, bread, tools for the plantations, clothing for the slaves and a quantity of goods, for St.

Kitts. Ship Claradon, her cargo tools for the plantations, and a quantity of goods, for St. Kitts, 150 soldiers. Ship Lord North, her cargo provisions, for Rodney's fleet, 20 men. Ship Falony Tanter, her cargo provisions, for Jamaica, 20 men. Ship George Tanter, her cargo clothing and provisions, for St. Lucia, 58 men, 2 officers, 64 soldiers, 4 passengers. Ship Anne Sufannah, her cargo goods, for Jamaica, 58 men, 2 officers, 64 soldiers, 4 passengers. Ship Charlotte, her cargo provisions and sea-coal, for St. Lucia, 58 men, 2 officers, 64 soldiers, 4 passengers. Brig England, her cargo provisions and sea-coal, for St. Lucia, 58 men, 2 officers, 64 soldiers, 4 passengers. Brig Fanny, her cargo provisions, beer and iron hoops, for New-York, 10 men, 2 passengers. Brig John, her cargo beef, pork, flour, wheat, straw, and other effects for the king, for St. Eustatia, 14 men. Brig Mercury, her cargo beef, pork, bread, flour, and pulse, for the king, for Jamaica, 9 men. Brig Enterprize, her cargo pulse, flour, bread and lime, for the islands, 10 men. Brig Three Sisters, her cargo wheat, anchors, butter and oyl, for Madeira, where she was to take in wine, and proceed with the rest of her cargo to Quebec, 10 men, 1 passenger. Brig Larke, her cargo tallow, beef, pork, flour and dry goods, for the islands, 13 men, 1 passenger. Brig John Tan, her cargo provisions, for Jamaica, 9 men. Brig Elizabeth, her cargo wine, for St. Eustatia, 11 men. Packet Dantziek, for the king, her cargo clothing for 10 or 12 regiments, besides cordage, and duck, for the fleet in America, 20 men, 4 officers, 19 soldiers, 2 women, 1 passenger. Packet Vigilant, her cargo goods for Jamaica, 18 men. Packet Brilliant, her cargo provisions, and cordage, for the islands, 16 men. Packet Lady Anstail, her cargo provisions, for Barbados, 10 men. Hero, her cargo gunpowder, dry clothes and other effects for Bengal. Lambro, her cargo beef and other provisions, for America. St. Traxis, her cargo beef and pork, and other provisions, for Barbados. Morratt, her cargo effects for Jamaica, 6 officers, 180 soldiers. Ship Hercules, her cargo masts, cordage, and other necessaries for men of war, bound to Jamaica, 36 men. Ship Charlotte, her cargo goods, and the family of the governor of Jamaica, was on board, 14 men. Total, 160 guns, 1256 men, 26 officers, 875 troops, 58 women, 116 passengers, and 54 vessels.

R I C H M O N D, Nov. 18.

On the 1st of October, major Joseph Cloyd of Montgomery, marched from the lead mines, with 140 militia, with orders to join colonels Campbell, Shelby, and Cleveland. He marched the nearest rout through the mountains to Wilk's court-house, in North-Carolina, and there received certain intelligence of a large body of Tories being embodied, who were plundering over the bushy mountains, on the waters of the Catawba river. Upon which he detached about 48 of the best of his light horse, of which he took the command, and pursued the enemy, and overtook and routed them on Gunpowder creek, about 50 miles below Burk court-house, here he was detained one day for his infantry, and on receiving certain accounts of the success of our troops on King's mountain, and hearing that a number of Tories from several counties had embodied in Surry, he called his officers together, who unanimously agreed to return with a view to rout this party. They then proceeded by forced marches to Surry (being joined by captain Lewis with 30 men) and fell in with the enemy on the 14th of October, about two miles from the shallow ford of the Yadkin, consisting by all accounts, of at least 300 men, commanded by the arch tory colonel Hezekiah Wright. An action ensued, which continued very warm and general for about half an hour, when the enemy retreated with precipitation and in great disorder being pursued near a mile. They left 16 dead on the field and 8 or 10 prisoners were taken, most of whom were wounded. It is believed a number of the enemy were wounded, as a great deal of blood was seen in the way the several dispersed parties retreated, and sundry dead bodies were found some days after in the woods, exclusive of the above number. Amongst the enemy killed, was captains Burk and Bryan; of

major Cloyd's party, captain Francis. Wounded, captain Pearis, lieutenant Ward, and 3 privates, but not mortally. A few days after the battle, a number of the Tories that was concerned, surrendered themselves to the officers of Surry county. The officers and soldiers of the Montgomery militia behaved well.

By advice from Newport-news of the 22d inst. we are informed, that the vessels of the enemy were all under sail except one, which appeared to be getting under weigh and standing down the bay.

By a gentleman just from the southern army we are informed, that on the 9th instant, part of colonel Tarlton's legion under the command of major Weims, attempted to surprize general Sumpter, on the south of the Waterre, but was repulsed with the loss of 12 privates killed, and 22 taken prisoners (together with the major who had his thigh broke) with a number of very valuable horses, arms, accoutrements, &c.

T R E N T O N, Nov. 22.

A New-York paper of the 15th inst. mentions the arrival of 54 of the Corke fleet at that port—the capture of the Duke D'Artois, a French ship of 64 guns, the day after the fleet left Corke, by the Beneficent, one of the convoy—and the loss of one of the fleet, taken by a privateer, belonging to New-London, off Charles-town bar where they touched, and from whence it was drove among several others. The privateer afterwards fell a prey to the enemy,

P H I L A D E L P H I A, Nov. 25.

On Thursday last a number of persons, long suspected of carrying on an illicit and dangerous correspondence with the enemy, (by way of Shrewsbury) and depreciating our money, were apprehended. On their examination before the president and vice president, invoices of goods brought from New-York, to a great amount, accounts of the sales of gold and silver, rates of depreciation, the routes and stages to the sea shore, &c. &c. were found upon them. It appeared also, that by these means, persons were conveyed privately to New-York. A new scene of villainy, in carrying lumber to New-York, from Egg Harbour and its neighbourhood, was also opened.—The following persons were committed, viz. Patrick Gerry, an assisant apothecary in the continental service, who owns a part of the boat employed between Squan and New-York; Samuel Clark, an inhabitant of New-Jersey, living near Prince-town, who has long followed this trade; Joshua Bunting, whose house was one of the stages; John Cummins, merchant of this city, and Joseph Griefweld, partners with Clark; and Joseph Stansbury, deeply concerned in the lumber business.

Wednesday morning arrived here the schooner Buckkin, captain Perryman, from the Havanna, after a tedious and disagreeable passage of five weeks, having, in a violent gale of wind, been obliged to cut away his main-mast. Six ships of the line, four frigates, and one hundred transports, sailed on a secret expedition from the Havanna a few days before captain Perryman.

Nov. 28. Since our last arrived here the brig Fame, captain McClenahan, from St. Eustatia, and schooner Emella, captain Dickenson, from Cape Francois; by which vessels we have a confirmation of the account mentioned in our last of a dreadful hurricane having, about the middle of October, spread almost universal devastation throughout the West-India islands. The most particular account we have been able to obtain of this melancholy event is brought by captain Yeller, who arrived at Baltimore on Tuesday last from St. Eustatia; this is but imperfect, but may serve to give us some small idea of the dreadful scenes the unfortunate islanders have experienced.—The account is as follows:

St. Eustatius, October 30.

At Barbados the greater part of the town blown down; upwards of three thousand persons perished; not one vessel saved except some that got to sea and a great part of the island washed away. In Grenada, much damage done to the estates; not one vessel saved except some that got out to sea. At St. Vincents a transport with three hundred soldiers, two souls only saved; a frigate of 36 guns, three hundred and forty men,

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