

He told me was a List of Debts due from Sundries in Maryland, to Captain John Hyde, Merchant, in London; on which I lookt, and do remember two Gentlemens Names that were in it; but as nigh as I can charge my Memory, I had not read above three Names, when a third Gentleman who ask'd me a Question of a different Nature, which diverted me from reading, and withal, my Thoughts at that time being pretty much taken up with an urgent Business, which occasioned my Journey thither, was the reason of my not enquiring any further into the Affair. And this I likewise affirm for a Truth, that I heard mention made of some Gentlemens Names in this Province, that were indebted to Captain Hyde, from two other Gentlemen of that Colony. But to conclude, from that Paragraph in my Postscript to Captain Hoxton, (but for ought as I know the original Story may be from Maryland) will not infer a Certainty of its being so, or not; therefore, as the most proper Method, I chose to make this publick, that the Gentlemen of this Province may know that I never receded from what I said; and farther, I shall use my Endeavours in Virginia to get a clearer Light in the Affair, to which Place I intend soon.

James Donnikson.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Ratisbon, Sept. 15. It is assured that the Roman Catholick Ministers have propos'd to the Director of Mentz, to give the King of Great Britain, as Elector of Hanover, the Office of Hereditary General of the Trabands, or Guards of the Emperor, in case his Britannick Majesty can be prevailed on to desist from that of Arch-Treasurer of the Emperor, in Favour of the Elector Palatine. This is a new Dignity, to which no Person can for many Pretension; and to give him more Lustre, the Day the Elector of Hanover takes upon him that Function, the Trabands or Guards of his Imperial Majesty will be compos'd only of young Princes, Counts and Barons of the Empire.

Hamburg, Sept. 17. Our last Advices from Thorn import, that the Protestants of that City, have been in the utmost Consternation ever since the 13th of last Month, when the Fiscal of the Kingdom of Poland signified to the Magistrates an Order, by which they are enjoind to give an Answer in six Weeks to the following Questions, which are to be ask'd them concerning the Non-performance of the Sentence pass'd in 1724.

I. Why they have not removed to the Distance of a League from the City, their College, and their Schools, as they were commanded to do?

II. Why the Ministers Geveth and Ephraim Oles, who after having been banish'd from the City, were return'd thither without a Passport from the King, have not been sent away?

III. Why the Secretary Wicollager has been restor'd to his Offices?

IV. And why several other Offices that were become vacant, by the Resignation of the Protestants, have not been fill'd up by Roman Catholicks, according to the Purport of the Sentence?

The Order was look'd upon at Thorn, a new Attempt of the Jesuits to exterminate the Protestants of that Place, and more especially their Ecclesiasticks: But they flatter themselves that the Princes and States of the Communion would intervene to protect 'em by some Means or other, from the impending Storm that now threaten'd them.

Bologna, Oct. 16. N. S. The Princess Sobeski's Reckoning being very near out, the Princess of Piombina is shortly expected here being to assist at her Lying-in. We hear the Pope is to be Godfather to the Child she shall be delivered of.

Genoa, Oct. 16. N. S. Here is Advice from Tunis, that a Sicilian Galliot was brought therein as a Prize. Also another belonging to Malta, and had 26 Men on board who were taken by Reason of their Powder being set on Fire by some Accident.

Brussels, Oct. 29. Some days ago a Fire broke out at Hellendal, in the County of Schleiden, which belongs to the Count de Marst a Lieutenant-General in the Service of the Most Christian King, and a Knight of the several Orders of that Kingdom, which notwithstanding all the Pains taken to extinguish it, burnt down the Church, and 125 Houses the Forges, Charcoal, Corn, and other Provisions of the Inhabitants were destroy'd. The whole Loss, occasioned by it, amounts to 80,000 Crowns.

Paris, Nov. 3. N. S. They write from Havre-de-Grace, that two Men of War, viz. the Ruby, and la Geronde, were shortly to be launched there; the first designed for Martinico, the other for Toulon.

The States of Brittany have granted the Marshal de Etrees 15000 Livres, to his Lady the like Sum, and also to the Princess of Leon.

'Tis talk'd that the King will not dispose of the vacant Benefices for some time, it being his Majesty's Pleasure to have the Income of the same laid up, towards paying the Pen-sions due to the new Converts.

ACTIONS that were 1400 Livres before the Indisposition of his Majesty, are since fallen to 1330.

Naples, Oct. 12. N. S. Our New Vice-Roy assists every day in the Collateral Council, and gives Audience to all who desire it. The Emperor has appointed the Marquis de las Balbazes, a Native of Spain, Governour of Castel Naovo, with a Salary of 12,000 Crowns a Year.

Dresden, Oct. 19. The King of Poland, our Elector, recovers apace every day, inso-much that his Majesty has resumed the Care of Affairs, and confers with his Ministers.

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