

of the Empire, the King has declared to the Dyet at Ratifon, that it does not become him to suffer an acknowledged and decided Right to be called in Question, and much less to be summoned before the Aulic Council to answer a Claim entirely groundless; and therefore he desires the Dyet to use their good Offices with his Imperial Majesty, as Head of the Empire, in order to get the Electoral House of Brunswick's Pretensions so far qualified and defeated, that they may never more be heard of.

*Naples, Nov. 16.* The Eruption of Mount Vesuvius continues with greater Violence than ever; so that without consulting the Virtuosi the Court has instituted public Prayers for nine Days successively in the Chapel of St. Januarius, Patron of this Kingdom, in order to obtain by his Intercession a Cessation of this frightful Phenomenon.

*Hague, Dec. 4.* The haughty Hamburgers, according to our last Advices, are in the greatest Perplexity, not only on Account of the Edict of his Catholic Majesty, requiring them to depart his Dominions, concerning which there has been much published, but likewise in regard to an Infination which, it's said, has been made to them, that the King of Prussia would insist upon establishing a Magazine or Warehouse for the Merchandize that his Company of Emden should think proper to collect for loading the Ships which it shall send to the East-Indies, and for the Goods they shall bring back from thence. They are sensible, if his Majesty once resolves to have it so, they shall find great Difficulty in preventing it's taking Effect.

As to the Memorial which the King of Prussia has caused to be presented to the States General, whereby he requires Succour in their Settlements for his Ships that should be any way distressed, it's affirmed, that their High Mightinesses gave the following Answer thereto: viz. That they would give such Orders to the Governors of their Establishments in the Indies, as should be conformable to those which should be given by the Courts of France and London.

## L O N D O N.

To my COUNTRYMEN.

**B**RITONS! Shall France a Fleet to India send?  
To Africa shall a second Squadron bend?  
A third be destin'd, — the alone knows where;  
And yet, to give them Chace, not once prepare.  
Say, shall the Neutral Islands be her own?  
By her dark Arts shall Nova Scotia grow?  
Can these Things be, yet Albion's Thunder sleep?  
Swift let her Navies rise, and awe the Deep.

ANTI GALLUS.

*November 30.* Yesterday his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland was thought to be out of Danger.

We hear that 18000 Land Forces will be again employed, for the Service of the Year 1752.

We hear that Commodore Edgecumbe, with several Men of War, will soon sail to the East Indies.

Four Sloops of War are order'd to be manned and victualled, and to sail with all convenient Speed, to reinforce such of his Majesty's Ships as are now guarding the several Sea Coasts, to prevent Smuggling.

Last Tuesday about 4 o' Clock, as Mr. Weston, a Dealer in Hogs, was going over Finchley Common to Barnet, he was met by four Fellows near Jacob's Well, who accosted him with this Salutation; *How do ye Mr. Weston?* To which he replied, *I thank you, very well.* When one of the Fellows came up to him, and said, *By G—d we'll shake Hands,* and pull'd him off his Horse; and the others coming up rifled his Pockets, and took from him upwards of 11 l. and after tying one of his Hands behind him with a Handkerchief, made off towards Hendon; they were afterwards pursued, but to no Purpose. It is strongly suspected that the Russian who first spoke to him was formerly his Servant.

Thursday, John Cather, Patrick Kane, and Daniel Alexander the Attorney, were brought into the Court of King's Bench, and received Judgment for being concern'd in a most wicked Conspiracy against the Hon. Edward Walpole, Esq; in endeavouring to extort a large Sum of Money, under Threats of swearing Sodomy; when Cather was ordered to stand three Times in the Pillory, viz. once at Charing Cross, once at the End of Chancery Lane, and the third Time at the Royal Exchange; after which he is to be sent to Clerkenwell Bridewell for four Years, there to be kept to hard Labour; then to give Security himself in 40 l.

and two Securities in 20 l. each, for his good Behaviour for three Years more. Kane was sentenced to stand on the Pillory once at Charing Cross, and afterwards to be sent to Clerkenwell Bridewell to hard Labour for two Years, and to give Security afterwards for his good Behaviour for five Years, himself in 40 l. and two Securities in 20 l. each. And Alexander was sentenced to stand once on the Pillory at Charing Cross, to pay a Fine of 50 l. to suffer two Years Imprisonment in the King's Bench Prison, and to give Security for his good Behaviour for three Years more, himself in 200 l. and two Sureties in 100 l. each.

They write from Amsterdam, that 370 Dutch, and 320 French Ships, have been employed this Season in the Whale Fishery, whose Cargoes amount to 178,000 l. Sterling.

There is Advice, that two English Ships belonging to Minorca, with Provisions on board, were, after an Engagement of several Hours, taken by two Algerine Corsairs, and carried to Algiers.

*December 3.* Sunday Morning, Lord Bury, Aid de Camp to his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, went and discharged the Centinels who were posted to prevent any Coaches or Carriages from passing by or near his Highness's Apartments, acquainting the commanding Officer that his Highness was so well recovered, that there was no further Occasion for them, and that Coaches might pass and repass as usual.

At the same Time Orders were given for the Drums to beat and the Music to play, at mounting of the Colonel's Guard at St. James's.

Yesterday a great Number of the principal Nobility were admitted to pay their Respects to his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, and to compliment him on his happy Recovery.

On Saturday last a Proclamation was issued out, with a Reward of 500 l. for apprehending the Honourable Alexander Murray, Esq; (who was closely confined in Newgate during the last Session of Parliament, and released from thence on their Proclamation): But we are inform'd by the last Utrecht Gazette, that the said Gentleman is in Paris, and has been there for several Weeks past.

The Lords of the Admiralty have put the Sea-Horse Man of War into Commission, and gave the Command to the Hon. Edward Barrington, Esq; Son to Lord Barrington, one of the Lords of the Admiralty.

Three Lordships have put into Commission the Spy and Hornet sloops, and the Joseph and Matilda Tenders, in order to be mann'd and victualled to cruise against the Smugglers.

The Men of War from the East Indies, at the several Docks, Yards, &c. are ordered to be victualled and mann'd with all Expedition, in order to put to Sea the middle of next Month.

We are inform'd that on Saturday last the Prize Medal of the Royal Society was presented to Mr. John Canton, of Spittle Square, for the Discovery of his elegant and expeditious Method of making artificial Magnets.

On Saturday died, advanced in Years, the Rt. Hon. Anne, Countess Dowager of Dartmouth, at her Seat on Black Heath in Kent: Her Ladyship was third Daughter of Heneage Finch, first Earl of Ailesford.

On Thursday last two Persons made an Acquaintance in Guildhall with John Pastout, a Turk, whom they persuaded to go a walking with them, and brought him into a Field near St. George's Hospital, where they tied him to a Tree, and robbed him of a large Silver Tobacco Box, and a Ring of considerable Value; and after giving him several Wounds on his Head, his Thigh, and other Parts of his Body, they left him. In this Condition he was found the next Day by an elderly Woman, who took him to her House, wash'd his Wounds, and put him to Bed; from whence he with great Difficulty got home to Mr. Jones's, a Jeweller in the Old Bailey, where he is attended by a Physician. — This Man is said to be the Son of a considerable Person at Constantinople, and since his Arrival here has renounced Mahometanism, and been christened in the Church of England; since which he has had several Snares laid for him, and has been so unfortunate as twice to meet with severe Treatment.

*December 5.* Yesterday an Express arrived at the Seat of Samuel Child, Esq; at Walthamflow, who, as we are informed, brought Advice, that the Earl of Tilney was one of the four English Gentlemen, who were lately robb'd and murder'd in Italy, as they were travelling from Mantua to Turin.

Yesterday came on, in the Court of Common Pleas, Westminster Hall, before the Lord Chief Justice Willes, a Cause wherein Mrs. Grace Brett was Plaintiff, and Hawkeswell Meers, Esq; De-

ferdant: The Action was laid by the Plaintiff for a Non performance of a Marriage Contract, and she laid her Damages at 10,000 l. And after a long Hearing, the Jury, which was a special one, gave a Verdict for the Plaintiff, with 1200 l. Damages.

Yesterday was a Sale (the last this Season) of the Society's Yarmouth Pickled Herrings, at the Royal Exchange Coffee House, Threadneedle Street: when the whole Barrels sold, on an Average, at 25 s. 6 d. and the half Barrels at 19 s.

*Dec. 5.* By a Letter from the Queen Mary, of Bristol, Henry Hill, Commander, to John Too-good, Esq; one of his Owners, we have the following Particulars relating to the late dreadful Hurricane.

*Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 21, 1751.*

“ Though it be impossible at present to estimate the Losses sustained in the Shipping, in the Town, and over the whole Country, it may not be disagreeable to give you some Particulars of what I myself was an Eye witness to. — On the 10th Instant, in the Evening, the whole Firmament appeared of a very livid Colour, horrible to behold, and the greatest Part of that Night was attended with hard Squalls of Wind: About Six in the Morning of the 11th it blew very hard at North, which brought off great Quantities of Leaves and Sprays of Trees from the Mountains aboard the Ships which rode at Anchor a Mile and a Half distant from the Town, and was seen hurling in the Air like Flocks of Birds. At Half an Hour after Eight the Wind shifted to the East, and after that to the South East, when instantly it blew a Hurricane, which raised the Sea in this Harbour to a most surprizing Height, and in a few Minutes it grew totally dark equal to an Eclipse of the Sun at Noon-Day, not being able to see the Ships that were driving foul of each other, nor scarce capable of fixing ourselves to the first Thing we could lay hold on, the Wind roaring above us as if the most tremendous Thunder had been dropping on our Heads, so that no Man could be heard to speak on board. The Height of the Gale lasted till between Eleven and Twelve, when it something cleared; and looking round us, nothing was to be seen but Death and Destruction, Numbers lying on the Shore drowned, and others floating on the Sides and Pieces of Wrecks, till the following Afternoon, when we ventured out our small Boats to bring them off. The Violence of the Wind was so great, that only three Ships out of forty Sail of Vessels rode out the Gale; viz. the Cornwall, Duncomb, the Mercury, Matthews, and the Queen Mary, who has suffered not the least Damage, only the Loss of my two Boats, which I have since found, and got safe off. What small Canoes were saved in the Town, the Proprietors ask six and eight Pistoles each to carry any Man aboard or ashore, or to endeavour to save those miserable Souls that were perishing on the Water. In going round the Harbour on the 14th to look for my Boats, I made what Observation I could of the Vessels that were lost; of which, some that were drove ashore in the Woods, overfet, and stove to Pieces, I numbered 27; and there are now riding before the Town, without Masts, 14. Some Days since several Vessels arrived with Jury Masts, and in a very shattered Condition, who met with the Gale between Hispaniola and Porto-Rico, that it is to be feared the Windward Islands have suffered the same Fate. At the same Time the Fox Man of War, from the Havannah, Mr. Manning on board, with a great Quantity of Specie, was obliged to cut away all her Masts, and let go all her Anchors, and after driving over two or three Keys, brought up between two Rocks, where it pleased God to preserve their Lives, although they had taken Leave of each other, and were preparing for their last Moments. She is bulged, and her Hold full of Water. They have saved some of the Specie, but whether they will get up the rest is doubtful.”

*Dec. 7.* Many public spirited Persons are of Opinion, from observing that several Corporations are fallen to Decay, through the Corruption and indirect Practices that attend certain Elections; while others, that have no such Elections, are in a flourishing Condition; that if these were every where made by Ballot, many Advantages would follow, and few or no Inconveniencies attend it.

It is long since the Expediency of disposing of our Transports, in another Manner, than we do at present, has been generally confessed; and it may be, that settling the Bahama Islands with Invalids, which might be done at no great Expence, would open

open a proper Method by this Means be set in a Condition to do so.

Since the three Branches recently acknowledged very wicked, &c. &c. very much addicted to G. extravagant; we presume any, if we give our R. ject for the Advancer the late Dean of St. P.

It is in the Power of Genius to make P. Fashion of the Age would make them Favour and Preference

But the bare Examination sufficient to stem the Torrent is very corrupt (instar Virtutes made none at then observes, that ply this Defect by a Authority which the king it every Man's tivate Religion and V. Disgrace, and the Pretensions: All wh in their own Courts a might not the Quee and lower Sort be ob pension or Loss of the stant weekly Attenda Church, and a decent the Sacrament four Swearing and irrelig and to the Appearance and Chastity.

Every Government that prefers Idleness, should in who are more immediate on and Command. In an enormous Load of somewhat preposterous, should have such large some for only two or three twenty, or at most thirty Week: For setting aside Economy in the Case, Men have Sense or Virt Time well. If you give with Abundance of Idleness that many of them will be Courses, and by their E the same ruinous Way of the Public must be robbed otherwise.

The Father of the People pleased to recommend to Nation the making some the Progress of Irreligion Extravagance, it is the second those laudable a best of his Power.

*December 7.* Thursday, with some other mission of the Peace for tented by Surveyors, &c. near the Pound, at the St. George's Fields, in the new Goal is very soon to closed with a Brick Wall

*December 10.* By a promise learn that the Marquis esse Commissary in the Umbraige at the numerous which Monsieur de Curfi Bastia, caused the Gates to half entered, by which th and those that were in the his Intention might be, se and fortified themselves th caused to be invested, and to the Republic, desiring ment, or to be recalled.

We hear that an Express go from Paris, with Order joicings intended to have Account of the Birth of th Consequence of which, which were made at the C cation, have already been Conjectures are form'd up but the Public in general Cause of it.

Last Friday one Christian Shoplifter, was committed Justice Fielding, being det Cloak from the Shop of M Alley near Leicester Field ton, she pretended to be