

suffering one of the Posterity of the ancient Kings to enjoy the Title of King.

April 28. It is said that some Persons of large Fortunes and high Reputation are soliciting a Charter for carrying on, or rather opening a new Trade to that large Country which is known by various Names, but best by that of New Britain, which cannot but be very beneficial in many Respects, and particularly in breeding a Race of active, hardy and able Seamen, capable, when Occasion may require, (and who knows how soon that may be?) to maintain the Glory of the British Flag, and preserve that Maritime Empire Nature design'd us.

According to the last Advices from Brest, they have lately let about three new wet Docks, in the little Creek, towards the Middle of the Harbour; by Means of which Docks, they say, they shall build Ships much cheaper. They have also began the great Wall that is to surround the Port, so as to bar the Entrance of it when they think proper; and on some Parts of this Wall they propose to place Guards, &c.

April 29. It is strongly reported that the next Session of Parliament a Bill will be brought into the House, in Order to have the Crime of Adultery punished with Death. Whether the Bill will be presented with Success cannot be determined; but it is certain, that the Lacedaemonians, and other States of Antiquity punished it in that Manner; and it may easily be demonstrated, that Robbery, and Theft have not in their Natures a Tendency to produce such general Mischief in the World as this Practice; and as these Offences are Capital only in Terrorem, and for the Benefit of Society, it will be difficult to advance any Arguments, why the greater Evil should not be punished with an equal Severity with the less.

May 7. We hear that his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales was last Saturday proposed at the General Court of the Free British Fishery, to be their Governor; and it is said that his Majesty has graciously condescended to honour that Proposal with his Approbation, and to promise that Society his Royal Favour and Protection.

Yesterday near 100 Transports went from Newgate to be shipped for America.

As the Prince Henry Man of War, Capt. Jasper, who put into the Havanna in November last, to repair the Damage she received a few Days after she sailed from Jamaica, might have reached England ere now, seeing that the Stores she wanted from Jamaica to refit her, were ready to be shipped off before the Middle of December, there are some who strongly suspect that the Governor of the Havanna has taken it into his Head, as she is richly laden, to detain her 'til he shall hear whether by some refined Piece of Chicanery, the Court of Madrid may not approve of her being seized, as a Compensation for the Loss of the Conquistador, a Spanish Man of War taken by Admiral Knowles in the West Indies, after the Cessation of Hostilities, which ought to have been restored, but was thro' Carelessness, suffered to decay and sink at Jamaica.

There are Letters from Cadiz by the last Mail, which say, that they have had fine seasonable Rains in most Parts of Spain, and are in Hopes of having a very good Harvest.

The same Letters also inform us, that they have Advice by a Ship from the West Indies, that the Town of the Conception, the Capitol of Chili, has been destroyed by an Earthquake.

Some Letters from Vienna intimate, that the Imperial Court has been for some Time past in great Agitation, which, it is said, was occasioned by some Dispatches the Ministry received from the North. The Courts of Versailles and Berlin are likewise, we hear, in a great Ferment, and hold extraordinary Conferences, which, it is supposed, have been occasioned by Intelligence received from the same Quarter.

They write from Norwich, that the Mob still rages there with unheard of Cruelties, breaking Windows, forcing into Houses, maiming and wounding of Men, Women, and Children. The 6th ult. a Woman big with Child died of the Kicks and Bruises she received from them, and has left four Children. The 11th between Twelve and One in the Morning, three of the Rioters went to a House, broke open the Door, and dragged out a young Woman into a large Place, called Gelding Croft, where three of them lay with her by Turns; she was carried Home senseless, and there are very little Hopes of her Recovery. What? All this for the Honour of God, and the Salvation of Souls, without a moving *Denbigh* Charge? What would these zealous Reformers and their Brethren round the Nation have done under the Umbrage of a late Hon. Orator? Surely by this Time we had seen all the pernicious Tribes in England plunder'd, murder'd, ravish'd, and rooted out.

Bath, May 13. The following Paragraph was taken out of a Letter from a Gentleman in London, to his Friend at Bath.

"It has been a sincere Pleasure to me, and to all of us here, to hear of the Fondness and Tenderness which has reigned all over the Royal Family since our last Misfortune; and what has added much to that Pleasure, is the Choice of the Preceptors for the young Prince. When the King entrusted the Bishop of Norwich, in particular, with this important Charge, His Majesty used the following Words: *Train him up in the Principles of Virtue and Religion: Impress on his Mind a strict Regard for Truth: And make him well acquainted with the Constitution of the Kingdom which he is to govern*—What a Patriot speech for a King! and how much ought such a King to be beloved by his People."

Chester, April 13. On Thursday Morning last, being the fifth Day of our Assizes, Richard Stanley, alias Handall, Edward M'Cannelly, alias M'Nolling, Henry Morgan, and Patrick Boyde, alias Boden, (the four Irishmen) who had been convicted of the Robbery at the House of Mr. John Porter, were brought up to the Bar, and severally asked, *What they had to say why Sentence of Death should not be pronounced against them?* When the same was demanded of Patrick Boyde, he threw into Court a Paper, which was immediately handed up to the Judges, of which, the following is a true Copy:

*Being unable to return a verbal Answer to that terrible Interrogatory, which is now put to me, I humbly beg Leave, by this Method, to throw myself at your Lordships Feet, earnestly imploring your compassionate Regard, towards an unhappy Youth, whose Want of Consideration, and due Reflection, together with the Miseries of extreme Poverty, have caused him to be so far drawn aside by others, as to become consenting unto Thieves, and to be a Partaker with the Malefactors.*

*After I had been enticed into this iniquitous Combination, I was, by a Sort of Compulsion, detained in it, being continually watched by my suspicious Companions, lest I should escape from them, before the Perpetration of these Facts, for which we now stand before the Judgment Seat.*

*But, O, My Lords! let me represent to you, that even in the Height of our Violence, when I saw Outrages going to be done to Mr. Porter, which might have been fatal to him; I, with great Earnestness, interceded for him, and with repeated Intreaties, begg'd of my Companions, not to add to our Guilt, by doing any Injury to his Person; and for the Truth of this, I appeal to the Prosecutors.*

*Compassionate then an unfortunate young Man, a Stranger, friendless, and forlorn; One, who is to have no Advocate, but your Lordship's own innate Goodness, and if there be any Room for it, for his Sake, who delighteth to be merciful, admit me to Mercy.*

*Yet, whatever shall be your Lordships Determinations concerning me, I shall, to my last Moment, acknowledge the Justice of that Sentence, which is now going to be pronounced against the very wretched, but sincerely repentant,* Patrick Boyde.

The chief Justice, then proceeded to make a very proper and pathetic Exhortation, setting forth the Heinousness of their Offences, and representing to them an extraordinary Interposition of Heaven, in their Detection and Punishment; observing, that Providence had ended One, even of tender Years, and of the tender Sex, with an uncommon Sagacity and Resolution, and had ordained her, to be a Means of bringing seasonable Relief, to a spoiled and oppressed Family; and thereby, preventing a further Aggravation of their Guilt, the spilling of innocent Blood.

His Lordship next observed, that when they, the Criminals, were so unexpectedly overpowered, and had fled away from that Scene of Violence and Rapine; that of the many different Ways which might have been taken by the Pursuers, That very One only, was providentially resolved upon; by which Pursuit, two of them were so soon apprehended.

He then added, that another of them, who at that Juncture escaped, had immediately betaken himself to another Element, and was flying to a different Part of the World, yet the Almighty, who makes the Storms and Seas subservient to his Will, had caused the Winds and Waves to bring back the Fugitive, that he might be yielded up into the Hands of Justice. From these Remarks, his Lordship drew several useful Inferences, and adding some wholesome Advice relating to their Preparations for Eternity; he then pronounced that Doom which the Law directs.

However, their Lordships have been since pleased to order Patrick Boyde for Transportation.

July 6. We have Advice from Londonderry, in the Province of New-Hampshire, that on the 26th of June past, a most terrible Shower of Hail fell there, which destroyed every Sort of Grain, and that all the Windows that were exposed to the Storm were broke to Pieces:—That many of the Hail Stones being measured, were found to be 5, 6, and 7 Inches round.

Friday last, in the Afternoon, as four Persons were sitting in the lower Room of an House in Braintree, the Lightning came down the Chimney, and struck down and stunned a Man that was sitting in the Corner, who is since recovered; but another Man, viz. Mr. James Penniman, who sat at some Distance from the Chimney, with his Arms folded before him, was instantly struck dead, without altering his Posture, so that it was a considerable Time before any Notice was taken of him, supposing he was only under Surprise.—About the same Time, several Cows were killed by the Lightning, in different Parts of the Country.

WILLIAMSBURG. July 17. This Day the ingenious Mr. TOM BELL, the famous American Traveller, made his public Appearance in this City.—As his former Character, and romantic Life, have made a great Noise in every American Colony, 'twill doubtless be a Satisfaction to all who have any Knowledge of him, to hear in what Manner he has lived, during his Retirement from the Public.—He has resided in Hanover County, in this Colony, near two Years past, in the private Station of a Schoolmaster, and has, during that Time, behaved himself with Justice, Sobriety, and good Manners, of which he has produc'd a Certificate, sign'd by the principal Gentlemen of that County. By this his Behaviour, and his future Conduct, he hopes to wipe off the Odium that his former Manner of Life had fix'd on him, and thereby to approve himself a useful Member of Society.

NEW YORK, July 13. We have Advice from New-Brunswick, that on Thursday Evening last, they had a hard Gust, with Thunder, Lightning and Rain, wherein the Presbyterian Meeting-house in that Town, was struck with the Lightning, and shatter'd pretty much; Mr. Schuyler's Still-house was also struck, and the Mast of a Boat shiver'd to Pieces;—and across the River, a Brew house of Mr. Anil's was also shatter'd.

And the Friday before that, there was a violent Storm of Hail and Thunder, at Trenton, which damaged many Trees, as well as Grain; many of the Hailstones being bigger than Pidgeon's Eggs.

By the Boston Papers it appears, that on Monday last there were not above one hundred and ten Persons then down with the Small Pox in that Town, and most of them on the Recovery; that very few more were liable to the Distemper, and that as the Houses, Beds, &c. were all cleaning, it was hoped the Place would soon return to its former Condition.—It may be worth noticing, that tho' Boston is near three Times as large as New York, and the Small Pox had not been in it for many Years before, notwithstanding its going thro' the Place in such a short Time, yet the greatest Number of Burials in a Week did not equal the Number of Burials in this City in the Year 1731, when upwards of 90 Whites were buried in one Week, and near the same Number in several other Weeks.

PHILADELPHIA, July 16. *Extract of a Letter from Chester, in Pennsylvania, July 13, 1752.*

"On Thursday last a Person, that went by the Name of Charles Hamilton, came here, and offer'd to Sale at several Houses in Town, sundry Medicines for different Disorders; pretending he was brought up to the Business of a Doctor and Surgeon, under one Doctor Green, a noted Mountebank in England; and that he embarked on board a Brigantine, at Topsham, in England, last Fall, for Philadelphia, one Robinson Commander, but was cast away the latter End of January on the Coast of North Carolina; and that he had travelled from thence through Virginia and Maryland, and has a Pass signed by some Magistrates in Virginia and Maryland, and one in Newcastle County: But it being suspected that the Doctor was a Woman in Mens Cloaths, was taken up, examined, and found to be a Woman; and confessed she had used that Disguise for several Years. She is very bold, and can give no good Account of herself; says she is about 28 Years of Age, tho' she seems to be about 40. She wears a blue Camblet Coat, with Silver Twist Buttons, too large for her. She is detained in Prison here, till we see whether any Body appears against her, if not she will be discharged. She says her Name is Charlotte Hamilton."

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