

lemnization of any Marriage, or of any other Matter or Thing relating to such Consent, Publication, or Marriage, knowing the same to be so, to elude the Force of this Act; or if any Person shall falsly make, alter, forge, or counterfeit, or cause or procure to be falsly made, altered, forged, or counterfeited, or shall knowingly act or assist in falsly making, altering, forging, or counterfeiting, any such Entry in the Register, of such Consent, Publication of Banns, or Solemnization of Marriage, or any such Licence of Marriage, as aforesaid, to elude the Force of this Act; or shall utter or publish as true, any such false, altered, forged, or counterfeit Register, as aforesaid, or any Copy thereof, or any such false, altered, forged, or counterfeit Licence of Marriage, to elude the Force of this Act, knowing such Register or Licence of Marriage, respectively, to be false, altered, forged, or counterfeited; or if any Person shall, from and after the said First Day of January, wilfully destroy, or cause or procure to be destroyed, any Register-Book of Marriages, or any Part of such Register-Book, with Intent to avoid any Marriage, or to subject any Person to any of the Penalties of this Act; every Person so offending, and being thereof lawfully convicted, shall be deemed and adjudged to be guilty of Felony, and shall suffer Death as a Felon, without Benefit of Clergy.

Provided always, That this Act, or any thing herein contained, shall not extend to the Marriages of any of the Royal Family.

Provided likewise, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, nor to any Marriages amongst the People called Quakers, or amongst the Persons professing the Jewish Religion, where both the Parties to any such Marriage shall be of the People called Quakers, or Persons professing the Jewish Religion, respectively.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act shall be publicly read in all Parish-Churches and public Chapels, by the Parson, Vicar, Minister, or Curate, of the respective Parishes or Chapels, on some Sunday, immediately after Morning Prayer, or immediately after Evening Prayer, in each of the Months of September, October, November, and December, in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Fifty-three, and afterwards at the same times on Four several Sundays in each Year; that is to say, The Sundays next before the Twenty-fifth Day of March, Twenty-fourth Day of June, Twenty-ninth Day of September, and Twenty-fifth Day of December, respectively, for Two Years, to be computed from and immediately after the said First Day of January in the said Year One thousand Seven hundred and Fifty-four.

PARIS, October 12.

LORD Albemarle, the British Minister, has presented a Memorial to the Court, containing Representations on the State of the Port of Dunkirk, and the Works carrying on there, contrary to the Tenor of the Treaties, particularly those of Utrecht and Aix la Chapelle. He has also had two Conferences with the Marquis de St. Contest, Secretary of State for foreign Affairs, and our Minister at London informs the Court, that the Earl of Holderness had made Representations to him on the same Subject. The Marquis de St. Contest has assured the Earl of Albemarle, "That the King's Intention being punctually to observe Treaties, particularly the last sign'd at Aix la Chapelle, his Majesty would give Orders for examining the Foundation of his Britannic Majesty's Complaints, and for remedying them, in Case it appeared that any Thing was doing at Dunkirk contrary to the Disposition of the Treaties mentioning the Condition wherein that Port was to remain."

LONDON.

October 12. The Bombay Castle, belonging to the East-India Company, who is arrived from Bengal, has brought Letters whose Contents do not inform us of any Dispositions towards restoring Peace on the Coast of Coromandel; but, on the contrary, advise, that the English, at the Instances of the Nabobs in Alliance with them, were making Preparations for a new Expedition against the Nabobs in the French Interest; and that Mr. Dupleix, Governor of Pondicherry, was likewise preparing to support his Allies; so that from the Measures taken on both Sides, we may expect the News of another Battle in those Parts; and perhaps the two Companies may Battle on so long, that they may teach the Natives to drive them both out at last.

Extract of a Letter from Cadix, September 18. A Boat with Pyrates went into the River of Huelva, and landed about twenty Men at Mo-

guer in that River, to surprize and seize a Vessel there, that was built in the last War for a Privateer; five remained in the Boat, who were taken, and afterwards most of their Companions. These Villains confess to have murdered Capt. Heron, and all his Crew, who was Commander of the Christopher Brigantine, bound from Malaga to Dublin, and was lately met at Sea, and carried into Faro. These Wretches consist of a Medley of Nations, and have been guilty of various Crimes.

October 23. Last Sunday Morning the following odd Affair happened in the Parish Church of St. Botolph without Alderigate; as the Clergyman was reading the Marriage Act, a poor Woman went up to the Desk, and looked him full in the Face, and while he was reading, sighed several Times; but when he mentioned the Marriages to be void and of none Effect, she stretched out her Hands, and cried, sighing, Lord have Mercy on us, we shall be all Whores; which caused the Congregation to laugh, and the Beadles were obliged to turn her out of Church.

October 24. They write from Stockholm, that on the 8th Instant the Queen of Sweden was safely deliver'd of a Princess; and that the 10th Instant was fix'd for the Ceremony of baptizing the young Princess.

The Queen of Denmark was brought to Bed of a Prince on the 11th of this Month, and her Majesty and the young Prince were both likely to do well. He was to be baptiz'd on the 13th by the Name of Frederick.

We hear that there is a new Treaty on the Carpet between our Court and those of Vienna and Russia, in order to fix the Succours which they are to furnish his Britannic Majesty and his Electorate, in the Cases to be therein specified.

BOSTON.

December 18. We have Advice, That Capt. Broaders in a Ship belonging to this Place, having left Newcastle the 28th of September last, and coming North about, bound hither, met with very tempestuous Weather near the Orkneys, whereby both the Vessel and Cargo were lost; and it was with the greatest Difficulty the Men sav'd their Lives by getting ashore in the Long Boat, which was soon after stove in Pieces.

We hear from Connecticut, That the beginning of last Week, six Men passing across the River, with a Boat loaded with Wood near Middleton, the Wind being fresh, caus'd a rippling Sea, that wash'd into and fill'd her, so that she sunk down, and all the Men were drowned.

We hear, by the Way of New-London, That Capt. Sears, of Lyme in Connecticut, being bound to New-York in a Sloop from Middletown, was cast away at or near the Place call'd Hell Gate, a few Days ago, and the Vessel and Cargo lost, with all the People, being four in Number.

WILLIAMSBURG.

January 18. We hear from Surry County that last Monday the following melancholy Affair happened there: One Hyde being out in the Fields along with a Negro Fellow belonging to him, to whom, for some Misdemeanour, he had given pretty severe Correction; the Fellow, watching an Opportunity, knocked him down, and afterwards cut off his Head; he then went to the House, where was his Mistress, and three Children, all of whom he treated in the same barbarous Manner: He was soon after taken, is now in Goal for Trial, and it is hoped will meet with a Punishment, equal, (if possible) to his Deeds.

January 25. By Major Washington, who is just arrived from our Settlements on the Ohio, we learn, That a large Body of French are settled on the Branches of that River. That they have erected several Forts, on which they have mounted Cannon; and, that they are resolved to defend themselves there, unless repelled by a superior Force.

Thursday the 17th Inst. died of the Gout in his Stomach, at his House in Gloucester County, the Hon. John Lewis, Esq; a Gentleman of an unblemished Character, and many Years a Member of His Majesty's Council for this Colony.

The Negro Fellow mentioned above, that murdered his Master, &c. was hanged immediately after Trial, after which his Head was cut off, and his Body burnt.

NEW-YORK.

December 31. On Thursday last, at a Grand Lodge of the Antient and Worshipful Fraternity of FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS, a Commission from the Honourable JOHN PROBY, Baron of Carrisfort, in the Kingdom of Ireland, GRAND MASTER of England, appointing GEORGE HARRISON, Esq; to be Provincial Grand Master, was solemnly published, we hear, to the universal Satisfaction of all the Brethren present. After

which, it being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, the Brethren went in Procession, to attend Divine Service at Trinity-Church. The Order in which they proceeded, was as follows. First walked the SWORN BROTHER, carrying in a dragon's skin; then four STEWARDS, with white Maces, followed by the TREASURER and SECRETARY, who bore each a crimson Damask Cushion, on which lay a gilt Bible; and the Book of Constitutions; after these the GRAND WARDEN, and WARDENS: Then came the GRAND MASTER himself, bearing a Truncheon, and other Badges of his Office, followed by the Rest of the Brethren, according to their respective Ranks, MASTERS, FELLOW-CRAFTS, and PUPILS, to about the Number of Fifty; all clothed with their Jewels, Aprons, white Gloves, and Stockings. The whole Ceremony was concluded with the utmost Decorum, under a Discharge of Guns from some Vessels in the Harbour, and made a genteel Appearance. We hear, they afterwards dispos'd a generous Donation of Fifteen Pounds from the public Stock of the Society, to be expended in Cloathing the poor Children, belonging to our Charity School; and made a handsome private Contribution for the Relief of indigent Prisoners. In the Evening, by the particular Request of the Brethren, a Comedy called, The Conscious Lovers, was presented at the Theatre in Nassau-Street, to a very crowded Audience. Several Pieces of vocal Music, in Praise of the Fraternity, were performed, between the Acts. An Epilogue, suitable to the Occasion, was pronounced by Mrs. Hallam, with all the Graces of Gesture, and Propriety of Elocution; and met with a universal and loud Applause.

Query. Whether the Performance of public and private Acts of Beneficence, such as feeding the Hungry, and cloathing the Naked, be most correspondent to the Genius of Christianity; or, to the Institutions of the Prince of Darkness?

Last Monday Night, we had here a very hard Gale of Wind: It began to blow about eight o'Clock, and increased, veering from S. E. to N. W. till about two o'Clock in the Morning, when it abated. Several Vessels in the Harbour received Damage, and we hear that some Boats are drove ashore near Elizabeth-Town, in New-Jersey.

January 7. We are informed by Captain Alexander Brown, who arrived here last Week from Lisbon, that a War seemed unavoidable between the King of Denmark, and his Catholic Majesty, as several Danish Vessels have lately been turned away from the Port of Cadix.

We hear from Middletown, in New-Jersey, that John Britton, an Inhabitant of that Place, was last Week found frozen to Death in a Meadow near Middletown Creek.

ANNAPOLIS.

Tuesday last arrived an Express from Virginia, to his Excellency our Governor, which we hear was concerning the Ohio Affairs; and Yesterday Morning his Excellency, with the Advice of the Council, was pleased to issue his Proclamations to summon the General Assembly (which was prorogued to May), to meet and sit here on Monday the 25th of this instant February.

The Express did not tarry above an Hour in Town, and then proceeded to the Northward.

At our Mayor's Court last Week, one James Lord, was tried for Stealing, found Guilty, and was whipp'd, and stood in the Pillory.

Last Monday one Aaron Grace, was committed to Prison here, for offering to impose a forged Order for Credit to the Amount of £. 6. 18 s. on a Merchant in Town.

Prince George's County, Feb. 6, 1754.

MR. GREEN,  
If you will insert the following in your Gazette, it may be of Service to some of your unfortunate Readers.

OLD Dr. Schomberg, in London, who is very much afflicted with the Gout, was taken about 12 Months ago with a very severe Fit of it in his Head; he sent to the Butchers and got some Wool, fresh pulled off of a live Sheep, in which he wrap'd his Feet; the Consequence of it was, that in a few Hours his whole Complaint was in his Feet.

N. B. The Wool should not cover the Ankle, because the Parts that are covered with it, will be soon very wet with Sweat, and it has been found, by Experience, to weaken the Joints.

Yours, &c.  
R. BROOKE.

At a Meeting, last Week, of the Corporation of this City, they pass'd the following Bye-Law, viz.

A BYE-LAW, to Regulate the Market, in the City of Annapolis.

WHEREAS the Market, in the City of Annapolis, is very irregularly kept, where-

by the Inhabitants several Inconveni-

Be it Ordained, Recorder, Aldermen, the Twenty Days in the Week within the City of Saturday, and the 17, for Sale, upon be carried to the there to be Sold Market-Hours, Morning 'til Two

And be it further of the said City, be bought, of an Viduals to the stated Market during the Time Hours, that is to at Noon, at any of the said Market Shillings, for every applied to the U half to the Inform or's Court, by A formation, Present Indictment, the of the Corporation

Provided always That this Ordinance, shall not extend, to any Person Oylers, brought

A Supplementary entituled, A B dents by Fire.

WHEREA Accidents

Be it Established, Recorder, Aldermen, Persons, Inhabiting Houses therein, each Dwelling House this City, within the passing of this ther-Fire Buckets Entrance of such on Failure where Sum of Forty Shillings for every T vered by Action of Presentment, or Court, the one half to the other half to the Indictment, the

And be it further every Person rent Owner whereof in City, shall, and is like Obligation ding to the Direc Penalties, upon the Owners of City are, as aforesaid. And to be deemed Ten Perview of this which this is a That all Persons and Ladders, as Rent from Year whose Landlords

And be it further That the Clerk Supplement, run "all Persons a "Landlords, ex "Year to Year, "where the Law is hereby repeale

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