

by his Captain and Officers; which Ticket shall bear Interest at the Rate of Three per Cent. per Annum, to commence Three Months after Date. By this Means a Sailor would have it in his Power to dispose of it as a Par, or, perhaps, at a Premium, in any of his Majesty's Dominions, and have his Money to send to his Wife, Children, or Relations. And in order to secure the Sailors good Treatment from their Officers, he might have it in his Power, to change from the Ship whenever he thinks himself ill used, to any other of his Majesty's Ships that want Men, at the Expiration of every Year. In aid of this Plan, a Penalty might be laid on all Merchants in Time of War, if they exceeded 2s. 6d. per Month to the Seamen.

**March 4.** At Dublin all Business was put to a Stand, occasioned by the Failure of a Bank kept there by the Quakers, for 300,000 l. This caused an extraordinary Run on all the other Banks, and one more was obliged to stop Payment.

**Mr. Brewer, their Cashier, had embezzled 84,000 l. he was arrested and lodged at Mr. Sheriff Crampton's, and 24,000 l. in Bonds and other Securities, were found in his House at Stoney-Barter.**

**April 3.** On Tuesday an Express arrived from Hanover, with Dispatches of Importance.

On Sunday last Admiral Moflyna sailed from Plymouth on board the Augusta, Capt. Willett, to join the Fleet at Spithead, with a blue Flag at the Mizzen-top-mast head.

The Regiments at Gibraltar and Port-mahon are ordered to be relieved.

The Annual Committee of the Royal Boroughs of Scotland have directed their President to write to the Magistrates of the several Boroughs, which are Sea-Port Towns, warmly recommending to them to contribute their utmost Endeavours, and give their Assistance to the Officers employed by his Majesty, in procuring a speedy Supply of Sailors and Sea-faring Men, to man his Majesty's Fleet, for protecting the Nation in its just Rights and Privileges, and for maintaining and promoting its Trade.

The Magistrates of Queensferry have promised and engaged to all the married Sailors in that Town and Neighbourhood, who shall voluntarily enter themselves on or before the first of May, for his Majesty's Service on board his Navy, to cause their Town Treasurer to advance 48s. yearly and proportionably to their Wives and Families, while they continue in the Service, to be repaid by such Sailors when they get their Pay. And

The Magistrates of Burntisland, in order to promote the speedy Supply of Seamen for manning his Majesty's Fleet upon this urgent Occasion, have unanimously agreed to give 20s. over and above his Majesty's Bounty, to all able bodied Seamen in that Town and Liberties, who shall voluntarily enter to serve on board the Fleet. And for the better Encouragement of Seamen; the Magistrates and Council have also engaged, that the Wives and Families of such Seamen as voluntarily enter as above, shall have Credit and Advances of Money from the Town and other public Boxes, for their Subsistence, in the same Manner as during the last War.

A Bounty of Two Guineas is given by the Corporation of Liverpool to every able Seamen of Twenty, and not above Fifty Years old, that enters into his Majesty's Navy on or before the 20th Day of April next, before a Committee appointed for that Purpose.

We learn from Scotland, that on Sunday the 9th of February, in the Morning, the River of Beaulcy, about Kilmorack and Kiltarlacie, seven Miles N. W. from Inverness, was quite dry in all the Fords and Currents, when the Congregation went in to Sermon; but in less than two Hours after the River was so swelled, that in the shallowest Places it would come above a Man's Knee; and this sudden Change happened though there was a hard Frost, and no soft Weather, or scarce so much as the Appearance of the Sun. This River was never known to stop so before.

In the last Haarlem Courant we find an Account from Petersburg, that there has been lately presented to the Czarina a Labouring Man, who has had two Wives, the first of whom brought him four Times four Children at a Birth, seven Times three, and ten Times two, at each Birth. The second Wife has lain in seven Times, the first of which she brought forth three Children, and the other six Times two at a Birth. The whole Number of Children by the two Wives amounts to 72. [This honest labouring Man, liv'd to reap much Fruit from his Labours.]

**April 5.** On Thursday was held a Grand Council at St. James's on Affairs of Importance.

The same Day a Messenger was dispatched to his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, at New-Market.

A Letter received Yesterday from Portsmouth, dated April 3. says, "We are informed, and that from good Authority, that a French War is unavoidable; and very soon Admirals Boscawen and Moflyna are going to Sea with a formidable Fleet; the former Admiral will be here this Night, and sail very soon. This may be depended on."

The Officers of the several Regiments are all ordered to repair immediately to their Posts.

General Follitt's Regiment lately come from Ireland is to lie at Manchester, and Places adjacent.

According to our latest Advices from Alsace, they are amassing great Quantities of Forage and Provision in that Province.

We are told from Madrid, that frequent Councils continue to be held at Court on the Situation of Affairs between the Crowns of Great-Britain and France; but that they principally turn on the Measures proper to be taken in case those two Powers should engage in a War.

We hear an Address will be presented to the King from the City of London, to assure his Majesty that they will stand by and support him to the utmost of their Power, in case his Majesty shall have Occasion to make use of the Power against his Enemies, which Providence has put into his Hands. Which, 'tis said, will be back'd by the Merchants, Traders, &c. and followed by every City and Corporation in the Kingdom.

**April 8.** Yesterday came Advice, that the Gloria, Capt. Commins, a French East-Indiaman, is arriv'd at Port l'Orient, richly laden, from Pondicherry, which Place she left the 17th of September last. Our East-India Company has not receiv'd any Account by her of the Arrival of any of their Ships, and when she left Pondicherry all was quiet between the French and English in those Parts.

**Admiralty-Office, April 5.** His Majesty has been pleased to appoint the following Field Officers, Captains and First Lieutenants, for the fifty Companies of Marines to be forthwith rais'd, to wit, Lieutenant Colonels. James Patterson. Theodore Drury. Charles Gordon.

Majors. Richard Bendyshe. Charlton Leighton. James Burleigh.

Captains.	First Lieutenants.
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John M'Kenzie	George Langley
Charles Repington	James Hill
Alexander Cumming	Alexander Catbcart
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Edward Rycant	John Suttie
John Wright	Edward Howarth
Thomas Dawes	Robert Douglass
John Tusten Mason	John Phillips
Thomas Sheldon	John Brown
Thomas Moore	Collin Campbell
John Gordon	Robert Ewer
Richard Barker	Archibald Campbell
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George Maxwell	Lancelot Willan
James Robertson	William Frazier
John Campbell	James Sbert
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Richard Hawkint	Thomas Stampfer
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Charles Gray	Thomas Smith
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May 12. Capt. Kirkwood has brought Two Thousand Arms, and other Accoutrements, for the

Provincial Troops lately raised, who have impatiently waited here several Weeks for their Arrival. He has also brought a large Quantity of Powder.

We hear from Newport, on Rhode Island, that at their General Election on Wednesday last, the honourable STEPHEN HOPKINS, Esq; was chosen Governor, and the honourable JONATHAN NICHOLAS, Esq; Deputy Governor.

We hear from New-Hopkington, that on Monday last a Man and a Boy were taken Prisoners there, by five Indians: But providentially it happened, that in about two Hours after, they were met by nine Men who were out on a Scout: One of the Indians discovering the English near them, held up two of his Fingers and whistled, which was a Signal to the Rest; whereupon they rose from their Ambush, and fired on the English, but did no Execution.—The English pursu'd them, retook the Captives, and the Indians made off.

By a Vessel from Halifax, we are informed, that Capt. Cobb, in a Sloop in the Government's Service, had taken a French Schooner going from Louisbourg to St. John's, with 1100 Barrels of Flour, a Number of Cannon, and other Warlike Stores on board, all which were condemned at Halifax.—Also, that Capt. Cobb had taken a Vessel belonging to (our) Plymouth, laden with Provisions, which was going to trade with the French; but as both Vessel and Cargo have been condemned and sold, 'tis thought the Owner will make but an indifferent Voyage on't.—May all such Traders meet with the same Fate.

May 15. Tuesday last about Noon, his Excellency our Governor returned in good Health from his Interview with General BRADDOCK at Virginia, to the great Satisfaction of People of all Ranks among us: His Excellency the Night before arrived at the Seat of Henry Vassal, Esq; in Cambridge, where he lodged; from thence, attended by his Honour the Lieutenant Governor, and a great Number of Gentlemen, he was escorted by the Troop of Guards and two other Troops, to the Province House in this Town: Upon his Arrival there, the Cannon of Castle William, and the Town Batteries were discharged: His Excellency alighted at the Province House, where he was received by the Members of his Majesty's Council, and a great Number of civil and military Officers and other Gentlemen; and from thence, being preceded by the Company of Cadets, marched in Procession to the Town-House, the Regiment of this Town being drawn up under Arms, and paying him the marching Salutes as he passed along: At the Town House he received the Congratulations of the Officers and Gentlemen: During the Procession, the Streets, Windows, Turrets, &c. were crowded with Spectators expressing the greatest Joy on his Excellency's safe Return. The Militia being afterwards drawn up in King Street, fired three Volleys, which were followed by three Hurrahs: Afterwards his Excellency, attended by the Company of Cadets, returned to the Province-House. *Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman in Cadiz, to his Friend in Boston, dated March 29, 1755.*

The remaining Effects of the Spanish Ship so unjustly detained at New-London; arriv'd here lately under the Convoy of his Britannick Majesty's Ship the Tryton, which Event has been very satisfactory to this Commerce in general, has been well received by the King of Spain, and accordingly signified to the Commander Matthew Whitwell, Esq; by Sir Benjamin Keene, his Majesty's Minister at Madrid; and we are assur'd, that those there, who are concern'd in the Pillage, will be obliged to pay the last Farthing; to the entire Satisfaction of the Proprietors, which we dare say, as you interest yourself in the Honour of our Colonies, you will be pleas'd to hear, as it may prevent for the future such barbarous Proceedings, which tend to justify the Depredations which we complain of from Time to Time.

We hear by a Person which left Fort Halifax the 4th Instant, that that Day two of the Narridgewalk Tribe of Indians (who were concern'd in the Murder of some of our Men last Fall) came there, and were very desirous of making Peace.

### N E W - Y O R K .

May 19. We hear that 300 Connecticut Men, are taken into the Pay of this Province, to serve under their own Officers on the present Expedition; and that the Remainder of our Quota of Troops (500 more) will soon be ready.

We have Advice from New-Jersey, that the five Companies in the Pay of that Province, are now compleat, and will soon be ready to march. And, Tuesday last his Majesty's Snow the Jamaica, Capt. Hood, arriv'd here from Virginia, with several Officers for General Pepperrell's Regiment, and Arms, &c. for the New-Jersey Provincial Forces. We are informed by the Masters of several Albany Sloops arriv'd

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