

...or that Mr. Byng read them, ... that there was something past ... but I rather apprehended it to ... than Business. You offered to make ... if he thought it necessary; and he ... believe it will be wanted, or, I do ... necessary. — But, to do the Admiral ... not apprehend that he thought him- ... give an Answer to that Question.

Advocate then read the remaining Lieutenant-General's Defence.

...ole Number which I had then in ... but 2700 Men, I had spared to ... mbe's Ships 230, which, with 40 ... which he had left in St. Philip's,

The ordinary Duty of the Garrison ... Workmen and Guards 800 Men, so ... then only 130 Men more than three ... if I had made the Detachment of a ... and put it on board the Fleet, I ... then have had much more than two ... and this at a Time when I believed the ... in Danger of being attacked, for ... sons, which I do not think myself at ... mention."

...enant General then returned to his ... the Doubtfulness of his Orders, and ... very well that my Duty did not al- ... old a Council of War to deliberate ... eying of my Orders, and therefore I ... for their Help in understanding of

Don't you read the Minutes of the ... War?

... Advocate then read,

...ke's Letter to the Secretary of War, ... Gibraltar, about the 6th of May, 1756.

... R D,

... the Honour of your three Letters;

... Receipt of them, I called a Council

... consider of the State of his Majesty's

... Garrisons in the Mediterranean; and it

... us that the sending a Detachment

... attalion would be an ineffectual Relief

... and a weakening of this Garrison, we

... ined it not to be for his Majesty's Ser-

... the Detachment.

... re the Minutes of the Council of War.

... Advocate then read the Minutes.

... Council of War held at Gibraltar, May

... three Letters of the Secretary of War

... and are as follow: "

... lowed the three above-mentioned Let-

... 21st and 28th of March, and first of

... Orders of the Admiralty to Admiral

... also read, and are as follow:]

... his Majesty's Pleasure that Lord Ro-

... tie's Regiment do serve on board your

... Duty there, and his Majesty having

... s by the Secretary of War to General

... make a Detachment equal to a Battali-

... on Garrison, for the Relief of Minorca;

... conform yourself to the said Orders,

... y that Detachment on board your

... and them at Minorca. And in Case,

... ence had with General Blakeney, be

... necessary, you shall then land Lord

... e's Regiment also at Mahon, from on

... Fleet. Signed ANSON, &c.

... Upon Account of the Alteration of

... nces which have arisen since the Date

... ove Letter, we having received un-

... ntelligence of the French Army being

... and in Minorca, to the Number of

... to 16,000 Men; and a French Fleet

... ioned before the Harbour of 16 Ships,

... hich are of great Force: That the

... Detachment equal to a Battalion from

... ill be an ineffectual Supply for the Re-

... lace and the dispossessing the French

... Island, and will be a weakening of

... son. And it appearing to us to be the

... of the Engineer, who is best acquainted

... lace, and of such other Officers of

... son who have been at Mahon, that the

... cannot be landed, or at least not with-

... Difficulty, unless the French Fleet

... dispossessed from their Station; and

... at General Fowke having already con-

... spare from this Garrison 140 Men, to

... board Mr. Edcombe's Ships, to sup-

Fleet's meeting any Disgrace from the French, this Garrison will then be weakened, and may be endangered through the Want of such Detachment. SIGNED

Lieut. Gen. Fowke, Stewart, Effingham, Cornwallis, Lord Robert Bertie, Lieut. Col. Colvil, &c. to the Number of about Ten or Eleven.

Gen. Fowke.] I called that Council only to ask their Opinion about the Meaning of my Orders.

Court.] The Council, by their Minutes, do not appear to have had any Doubt at all about their Meaning, but rather to have determined against the executing them.

Gen. Fowke.] I cannot help what those Gentlemen talked of.

Court.] Your own Letter does not express any Doubt.

Gen. Fowke.] (Whispered to by one of his two assistant Attorneys, who stood on each Side of him as Prompters, during the whole Trial.) That Omission proceeded from the great Deference I paid to his Lordship in that high Office which he holds.

Judge Advocate.] (Looking respectfully on the Court) I beg Pardon; but it is my Duty to ob- serve, as it has been often said by the Lieut. Gen. that he called a Council of War only to know the Meaning of his Orders, that he has offered no Proof of this; and that his own Letter and the Minutes of the Council, plainly imply that they had no Doubt at all about their Meaning.

As to what the General has said about his Or- ders being discretionary, the only discretionary Part of them is what relates to the Distribution of the Men among the Ships of the Fleet, which is left to the Disposition of the Admiral.

The Court was of Opinion that he was guilty of the Charge, and adjudged that he should be suspended, for the Space of one Year; since which his Majesty has thought fit to dismiss him from his Service.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 17.

ON the 5th of this Month, about Eleven in the Evening, a Fire broke out at a Painter's in this City, which continued burning all that Night and the next Day, and destroyed between 12 and 15000 Houses, and upwards of 1000 Persons perished in the Flames. About 300 Wretches being detected in pillaging during the general Confusion, as soon as the Fire abated they were strangled, and thrown into the Sea. The Loss occasioned by this Accident is inexpressible, as well as the Misery into which Thousands of the Inhabitants are plunged. And these afflicting Circumstances are augmented by the Raging of a contagious Distemper. The foreign Ministers have all quitted their Palaces at Pera, and retired to Belgrade.

Paris, July 26. Frequent and long are the Ministerial Conferences held at Court: His Majesty being fully determined to push the Success of his Arms, two grand Schemes are the present Objects of Attention; one to be put into Execution in America, and the other in Germany. In the mean Time the Preparations made on the Coast of Normandy, as if an Invasion of England was intended, serve only to amuse and cover the principal Designs. In regard to one of these Schemes, it is certain, that Count de Bernis has received particular Instructions to treat with the Court of Madrid on a new Plan, founded on the Reduction of Fort St. Philip. It is said; indeed, that no less than a Project for putting the Spaniards in Possession of all their antient Forts and Colonies, both in Europe and America, is on Foot. Of these the principal are Gibraltar and Jamaica, the Conquest of both which, it is pretended, will be easily effected by the Junction of the Fleets of France and Spain.

The Count de Maillebois, Lieutenant-General of the King's Armies, who seconded the Marshal de Richelieu in the Conquest of the Island of Minorca, is made a Knight of the Order of the Holy Ghost.

Stockholm, July 24. Yesterday Count Brahe, Baron Horn, Captain Stahlward, and Lieutenant Puke, principal Authors of the Plot lately discovered in Sweden, were beheaded in Ridderholm Square, at Sockholm. In the Morning the Countess of Brahe, who is far gone with Child, presented herself before the Assembly of the States, and on her Knees begged a Reprieve for her Husband; the Condition she was in, her suppliant Posture, her Tears and Groans, melted every Heart; but Compassion could not prevail over the Consideration of the Public Good.

Madrid, August 10. They write from Corunna, that there were lately interred at Vijers, a small Town in Galicia, situated at a little Distance from the Sea, about 300 dead Bodies, which floated into the Mouth of the River Landrovedo, and that as three Days before they had heard at a Distance the Discharge of Cannon, which was carried on with great Smartness, it was not doubted that there had been an Engagement between the English and French Fleets.

Brest, August 10. We have received Orders from Court to fit out, as soon as possible, eleven Ships of the Line, and the Captains are already appointed who are to command them. These Ships are, L'Entreprenant of 74 Guns, commanded by Mr. de Salvart; Chief d'Escadre; L'Intrepide, le Diademe, le Palmier, and le Dragon, of 74 Guns each; L'Asif, le Bizarre, le Saint Michael, le Belliqueux, and L'Opiniatre, of 64 Guns each; and L'Alcion of 54 Guns.

L O N D O N.

August 21. We have an Account from Jersey, that Capt. Winter, of the Charming-Nancy Privateer, has brought in there a St. Domingo Man, laden with Sugar, Indico, and Cotton; and another French Prize, of 150 Tons, laden with Iron: And that some of their other Privateers had taken and carried into the said Island, a French Ship laden with Powder and Ammunition, to the Value of about 3000l. and three other Vessels laden with Provisions.—The Day after the Anfon Privateer, of Bristol, took the two St. Domingo Ships, off Cape Finisterre; mentioned in the Papers of Thursday last, she saw two more of the Fleet, but, for want of Men could not take them. They sailed from St. Domingo the 7th of June, in Company with 28 Sail, under Convoy of the Warwick, and two other Men of War; and within three Weeks, after, another large Fleet was to sail, under a strong Convoy, which was to come throughout with them.

Extract of a Letter from Norwich, September 1.

"On Sunday last a very large French Privateer was taken in Yarmouth Road by the Hazard Sloop of War; the Privateer is now at Yarmouth, and the Captain and 85 Men are now in Yarmouth Goal. The Account of the Engagement is as follows: The Hazard Sloop seeing the Privateer, and being apprehensive she had a Confederate, shut up her Port-Holes, and made for the Harbour, and the Privateer followed her, thinking she was a Merchantman, when the Sloop hoisted her Colours, and gave her a Broadside, which was returned by the Privateer, and continued for upwards of two Hours; the Sloop had but 16 Guns and 36 Men, besides 15 Marines on board with small Arms, which they plied so well as soon to take her; the Privateer had at her first coming out of Ostend 100 Men and 20 Guns, but lost in the Engagement 15 Men. Thousands of People saw the Engagement from the Shore quite up to Leostoff, for the Sloop drove the Privateer backwards and forwards at the Back of the Sands, in full View of the Town: Their Crew consists of Dutch, Irish, Danish, English and French.

September 5. Tuesday Col. Jeffreys kissed his Majesty's Hand at Kennington, on being appointed Colonel of General Fowke's Regiment of Foot, as a Reward for his gallant Behaviour at Port-Mahon.

PHILADELPHIA, November 11.

We have Advice from Fort Lebanon, in Berks County, that on the third-Instant a Fire was seen, about seven Miles from said Fort, supposed to be at the House of John Finsher; upon which a Party was detached, who, on coming to the Place, found Finsher's House, Barn, Out-Houses, and a considerable Quantity of Corn, on Fire, but saw no Indians, nor any Body that had belonged to the House. They discovered a great many Tracks, which they followed, till they came to the House of Philip Culmore, whose Wife, Daughter, and Martin Fell, his Son-in-Law, were all killed and scalped; and Fell's Wife, with a Child about a Year old, and a Boy about 7 Years old, were missing. That they then sent Notice to the Fort of what had happened, when the Captain with some more Men went out, but could not find the Enemy; however they carried all the neighbouring Women and Children into the Fort, to the Number of about Sixty.

We hear also from a Fort near North Kill, in the same County, that a Child was carried off by a Number of Indians the same Day. That Lieutenant Humphreys, with a Party, went out in Pursuit of, and next Morning came up with, them, at one Nicholas Long's, whose House they had set on Fire, had killed two old Men, one of whom was scalped, and would have destroyed ten Wo-

men and Children, that had got into the Cellar: That they then engaged the Indians (said to be twenty in Number) and put them to flight, two of whom it was thought were badly wounded: And that they extinguished the Fire, and got out the Women and Children, and carried them to the Fort. Lieutenant Humphreys had one Man wounded, and his own Coat was shot through in four Places. They brought off a Gun and Blanket. The Indians had all red Hats, and red Blankets.

Capt. Green bound to St. Christophers from this Port, is taken by a French Privateer, and carried to Guadaloupe.

For NEW-YORK,
The Sloop SWAN,
JOHN LAIDLER,
Master,

WILL sail from Baltimore-Town in six Days; and take in Freight at New-York for any Part of Maryland. Any Gentlemen having occasion for any, may leave their Orders with Dr. John Stevenson at Baltimore-Town, or Mr. James Mactubbin in Annapolis.

Virginia, November 4, 1756.

THIS is to give public Notice, That Mr. John Ballentine is no longer Agent for the Subscribers at their Furnace erected at Occoquan, or elsewhere, and the supposed Partnership between the said John Ballentine and ourselves is entirely dissolved; nor has he any further Connexion with our Affairs at present, than to settle all Accounts that have accrued under his Transaction of our Business for the two Years last past: Therefore all Persons are desired to settle their Accounts, in order to receive or pay the respective Ballances, in order to a speedy final Settlement of those Books; and all Persons are forewarned not to credit the said Ballentine from this Time on Account of
JOHN TAYLOR,
PRESLY THORNTON.

To all Sheriffs, Constables, and other his Lordship's good People, within the Province of Maryland.

WHEREAS Complaint is this Day made to me, George Stewart, one of the Justices of the Provincial Court of the Province aforesaid, by Lieutenant Alexander M'Bean, an Officer of the Royal American Regiment, under the Right Honourable the Lord Loudoun, that Athanasius Anglin, of Anne-Arundel County, Planter, of a brown Complexion, aged 25 Years; 5 Feet 8 Inches high; as also John Alder, of a dark Complexion, long black Hair, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, has lost one of his fore Teeth, aged 27 Years, born in Reading in Berkshire, Old England, both being duly enlisted, as private Soldiers, in the said Royal American Regiment, have deserted from the Company to which they belong, and are supposed to be harboured and concealed by some evil-minded Persons, to the Hindrance of his Majesty's Service:

THESE are, therefore, in the Name of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, to will and require you to make diligent Search for the said Athanasius Anglin and John Alder, in all suspected Places, and when you apprehend them, that you convey them to the next Sheriff where they shall be taken, who is required to send them from Constable to Constable until they shall be safely delivered to the said Lieutenant M'Bean, or the Commanding Officer, at the City of Annapolis. Given under my Hand and Seal this 22d Day of November, 1756.
GEORGE STEWART.

THERE are at the Plantation of Solomon Turner, at Bennett's Creek, in Frederick County, taken up as Strays, the two following Creatures, viz.

A Black Mare, with a small Blaze down her Face, has one Wall-Eye, and her Feet are white. And a small Bay Mare, with a small Star in her Forehead, and one of her hind Feet white. They are both branded, but with what cannot be discovered.

The Owners may have them again, on proving their Property, and paying Charges.

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