

down to receive any public Present, his Majesty may send for his good Children the Indians, I shall take Care to give you Notice, and invite you, and this may perhaps speedily happen.

Gave three Strings of Wampum.

Brethren, You have assured me that you have determined to keep your Eyes fix'd on your Brethren the Six Nations, and regulate your Conduct by theirs: As you therefore know that they have taken up the Hatchet in Conjunction with your Brethren the English, and are determined to join his Majesty's Arms against the French, and all their Adherents; I expect, and doubt not, but you will co-operate with them and us, in this necessary and just Vindication of our common Rights and Properties, against those treacherous and faithless Invaders of them. I therefore now offer you the War Belt.

Gave the War Belt.

A SENECA Chief laid hold of it, sung the War Song, and danced. The Shawanese King did so next, and then the Delaware King, with great Warmth. After that the Chief Warriors of the River Indians, danced and sung; and it went round through every Nation at the Meeting, and at Night there was a great War Dance, at which were present above One Hundred and Fifty Indians, Sachems and Warriors, and they continued dancing till Morning.

M A D R I D, January 20.

THE King being informed that the English, not content with searching Spanish Ships at Sea, and examining their Papers, exacted an Oath from the Masters, hath made a very warm Complaint on this Subject to the English Ambassador, and signified to him at the same Time, that he would never suffer such Proceedings.

Madrid, January 22. The repeated Intreaties of the French Ambassador have for some Time so far wrought upon the — as to make him wish for a Pretence to break off the Neutrality he has hitherto so strictly observed, which, joined to this last Affair concerning the Capture of a French Merchantman under our Cannon, seems to preface a Declaration of War against Great-Britain. The Resolutions of the Councils are variously talked of; but we are well assured, that Orders either have, or will be given to our Ambassador, to re-demand the above-mentioned Prize, and in Case of Refusal, he may perhaps immediately be recalled. Sir Benjamin Keene has strove to make up the Difference; but the King has told him, that he should frame his Answer from that of Great-Britain.

Leipsic, Jan. 26. His Prussian Majesty, by the Augmentation he has made in his Troops, by his Success in raising Recruits in the Empire, by the Addition of the Saxon Troops incorporated with his own, and by the Recruits he has demanded from Saxony, has actually on Foot upwards of 200,000 Men.

L O N D O N, February 5.

We hear that 70 Ships are forthwith to be taken into the Service, as Transports for carrying the Highland and other Forces, to act against the French in North-America in the Spring; by which Time several more new Men of War will be ready to be launched from his Majesty's Dock-yards, at Chatham, Woolwich and Deptford, and some of them of 2d and 3d Rate Ships.

February 8. This Day an Account came that his Majesty's Ship Porcupine arrived in the Downs with a French Privateer of 10 Guns, and 150 Men, taken the Day before off Havre de Grace. Several of the Buffes built for the Herring Fishery, that have been for some Time past in Limehouse Reach, are taken into the Government's Service, and are fitting out, in order to be made Advice Boats of, and to go up such navigable Rivers in America, where deep bottomed Ships cannot fail.

Feb. 10. His Majesty has been pleased to raise Col. Cornwallis, to the Rank of Major-General. — Admiral Hawke is so well recovered as to be able to go Abroad again.

A particular and true Account of the unfortunate Capt. WILLIAM DEATH, of the Terrible Privateer, which had 26 Carriage Guns, and 200 Men.

"On the 23d of December she engaged the Grand Alexander, from St. Domingo, bound to Nantz, a Ship of 400 Tons, 22 Guns, and 100 Men, and after a smart Fight, of two Hours and an Half, in which Captain Death's Brother, and 16 of his Men were killed, he took her, and put 40 Hands on board. On December 28, in conveying his Prize (which was very valuable) to England, the Vengeance Privateer, of St. Maloes, 36 Guns, and 360 Men, bore down upon and retook the Prize; then the Vengeance and the Prize both

attacked the Terrible, she being between them, and shot away her Main-mast the first Broadside; and after the most desperate and bloody Engagement ever known, for one Hour and an Half, in which Monsieur Bourdas, the French Captain, his Second, and two Thirds of his Crew, Captain Death, almost all his Officers, and major Part of his Crew, were all killed, to the Amount of near 400 on both Sides: The Terrible was taken and carried into St. Maloes in a shattered, frightful, and bloody Condition, having no more than 26 of the Crew left alive on board, and 16 of them had lost Legs or Arms, and the other 10 were mostly wounded."

Feb. 12. We hear there is a total Change in the French Ministry. — On Tuesday last the Royal Regiment of Artillery was under Arms, in order to draught 300 Men to go on the intended Expedition; when the whole Regiment turned out Volunteers, out of which their commanding Officer took the Number wanted.

The six Regiments that are going to be sent to America are ordered to be at Cork the 18th Instant at farthest.

Feb. 15. From Petersburg we have Advice, that the Empress of Russia has formally acceded to the Treaty of Versailles, and that the Exchange of the Acts, signed in Consequence, was made at Court the 11th of January. — They write from Madrid, that the Overtures made by their Court, in order to bring about an Accommodation betwixt Great-Britain and France, have not had any Effect from which Success can be expected; and they likewise give a broad Hint, that notwithstanding the Endeavours of one of their principal Ministers to make Spain remain neuter in this War, 'tis to be feared that his good Intentions will be frustrated. — Last Week died at his House in the County of Huntington, Capt. Montague, Brother to the Earl of Sandwich. — Yesterday 300 Matroses set out for Portsmouth, in order to go to America.

Feb. 17. We hear that it is proposed to raise Three Millions for the Service of the current Year by Annuities on Lives, to descend, as they drop, to the Survivors. — We hear that a Loan, instead of Men, is to be granted to the King of Prussia. The Officers of the Provincial Troops in America, are, it is said, for the future, to rank with the English. — We hear that the Lords of the Admiralty have, on the Application of the Proprietors of Pennsylvania, ordered a Ship to be stationed in the Bay of Delaware. — We hear that some Land Officers will shortly be brought to Trial before a Court-Martial, for not being with, or joining their Corps in proper Time, according to Orders given for that Purpose. — It is reported by some who pretend to know what is on the Anvil, that a bold Push will be made this Campaign; that 270 Matroses are actually embarked at Woolwich for Ireland, in order to join 6000 regular Troops, which are to be transported from that Kingdom for America, under Convoy of 16 Sail of the Line, commanded by Rear Admiral Holbourn, who in a few Days is to be promoted to the Rank of Vice Admiral. They also give out, that Vice Admiral Smith is to be sent to the Mediterranean with a Fleet of 20 Sail of the Line of Battle, and that a sufficient Train of Artillery is already gone thither, under Convoy of the Berwick Man of War; which Fleet, they say, is destined first to drive the French out of Corsica; and then the Corsicans (if we can get them in Humour to stir from Home) are to assist us in recovering Minorca. They add, that the Admirals Boscawen and West are to command alternately in the Bay. — Yesterday there was a great Council at St. James's, when the Judges attended on Admiral Byng's Affair, and, it is said, have confirmed the Sentence of the Court-Martial.

The following is said to be an exact Account of the Troops which the Empress will bring into the Field this Year against the King of Prussia. In Moravia 20,000 Horse, and 53,608 Foot. In Bohemia 20,582 Horse, and 49,610 Foot. A flying Camp, together with the Irregulars, to consist of 4000 Men, 15,880 Foot. Making in all 44,582 Horse, and 119,098 Foot.

Extract of a Letter from Gibraltar, dated Jan. 15. "The Spaniards are daily picking some fresh Quarrel in these Seas. A few Days ago a Ship belonging to Admiral Saunders's Fleet brought in a French East-Indiaman of 30 Guns, with a valuable Cargo on board, and will soon sail from hence for England."

Extract of a Letter from Portsmouth, Feb. 18. "Yesterday Captain Montague, of his Majesty's Ship Monarque, acquainted Mr. Byng with his final

Sentence. He only said to the Captain, that his Majesty's Pleasure must be complied with, and seemed but little concerned. 'Tis said he will be shot the 28th of this Month, on board of either of his Majesty's Ships of War that Admiral Boscawen shall think proper."

Feb. 22. Last Saturday came Advice, that the Experiment Man of War, Captain Strahan, of 24 Guns, met with a French Man of War of 40 Guns in the Mediterranean, and they parted after a very desperate Engagement, which lasted upwards of four Hours. Captain Strahan was killed in the Engagement. A French Privateer, of 18 Guns, and 200 Men, is taken by one of our Men of War, and brought into the Downs.

This Day were shipped for Hamburg, 4000 Ounces of Silver Coin; and 20 ct. of Iron Ordnance, and 8000 lb. of Gun-Powder for Philadelphia. Also 80 ct. of Lead Shot, and 16000 lb. of Gun-Powder for Maryland.

We hear from Edinburgh, that the Recruiting for the new Highland Battalions goes on successfully in the North; and particularly that the Minor Company was completed in about ten Days Time.

It is computed that the Force of France that will be employed in America, will consist of 16 Ships of the Line, &c. They are to have on board a considerable Number of Troops destined for Quebec; and it is apprehended the first Attempt of the French will be to make themselves Masters of the River St. Lawrence.

The Protestant Dissenters from most Parts of England have presented Petitions, that the Militia Act, now expected, shall not extend to the Exercise of such Militia to be raised on the Lord's Day. — We hear that all the Officers belonging to the Ship of War at Portsmouth are ordered to attend the Execution of Admiral Byng on Monday. — 'Tis now assured, that pursuant to his Majesty's Desire, for the Welfare of his Subjects, the King of Prussia will be enabled to raise so powerful a Force against the common Enemies as will, in all Probability, effectually frustrate the Designs of France, or any other Power in Treaty with that Court, to disturb any further the Tranquillity of Great-Britain, or the Electorate of Hanover.

St. James's, Feb. 11. The King has appointed Thomas Pownall, Esq; (Lieutenant Governor of the Province of New-Jersey) to be Governor of his Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts-Bay, a New-England, in the Room of William Shirley.

B O S T O N, April 25.

Capt. Collins informs, That the Packet arrived at Lisbon, in eight Days from England, three Days before he sailed: All that he could learn better what is in the Papers, was, that no Fleet had sailed the 28th of February; but that Admiral Knowles was gone to Spithead to take the Charge of them. — That great Preparations are making by the Spaniards, which looks likely that they will soon join the French.

NEW-HAVEN, (in Connecticut), April 23.

There is in the Town of Canaan, in this Colony, a CHILD, now about a Year and Seven Months Old, whose Christian Name is JOEL, who is the Son of SIMON and SARAH WINTERS: Sarah Winters is the Daughter of ASA and REBECCA DOUGLASS: Rebecca Douglass is the Daughter of JONATHAN and SARAH WHEELER: Sarah Wheeler is the Daughter of THOMAS and HANNAH MEAD: All of which Persons are still Living, being Five Generations.

Should JOEL Live to be a Man, Dame MEAD to be a Widow then, And these two Persons could Agree To Marry! Would it Incest be? For we all sprang as sure from ADAM, (The more remote) as he from Madam.

N E W - Y O R K, May 2.

Monday last came in from a Cruize, the Sloop Catherine and Mary, Capt. Fletcher. This Vessel being a French Privateer some Months ago, was taken by the Privateer-Ship Hercules, Capt. Bayard, of this Port, and employed by him as a Tender.

Capt. Fletcher informs us, That on the third of April, being in Company with Capt. Bayard, about 40 Leagues to the Northward of Porto-Rico, they fell in with three French Ships, two of which Capt. Bayard took, and the third, mounting 25 Guns, Capt. Fletcher gave Chase to, and dogged for a considerable Time, in Hopes of meeting with some English Privateer, in order to engage her;

he alone being insufficient, mounted 20 Pounders, and about 30 Men; and Mortification the got safe into Cap.

Three Days after, Capt. Fletcher, to the Cacauces, fell in with a large

of 20 Guns, which he was obliged to have most of his Rigging shot.

Friday last one of the above-mentioned came in: She is a beautiful Morning-Star, about 250 Tons, and 30 Men, and was bound from Cape-François.

The same Day came up the Privateer, M. Peter Martin late Master under the Command of Capt. Brodie six Weeks ago by the Privateer Brig Capt. Murray, of this Port.

Next Day the Hercules, Capt. at Sandy-Hook, with the other is at least 400 Tons, mounts 12 f

60 Men, is only six Months old, the most complete Vessel brought since the Commencement of the and as she is a prime Sailer, would for a Country cruising Ship. She Bourdeaux for Cape-François all

The same Day his Majesty's S Capt. Campbell, of 20 Guns, from a Snow Man of War from South at Sandy-Hook.

Saturday his Majesty's Sloop o Capt. Upton, arrived here in 8 V mouth: As yet no Prints are co

we are told a Fleet of 16 Sail of the from England for the Westward March; that Admiral West, with Line, was sailed on a secret Expe

Admiral Byng was not shot, agreeable but had been reprieved for some whole Life consists only of some Snow Hardy, Captain Favieure, Port, for Holland, is taken by a and carried into St. Maloes; Packet, Captain Bonnell (expect

Time past) was not sailed for Beginning of March; and that a ed in some of the out Ports of Days from this Place.

PHILADELPHIA On Friday last the Marlborough arrived here from Jamaica, by that the following French Fleet Spaniola, viz.

And by him we have a Cor Greenwich, Captain Roddam, a ng taken by the two Frigates of and that they had also taken a New-York, and ordered her to t

met with and retaken by two Ne Sloops, and brought into King had several of her Hands killed

since she made against the two A N N A P O L I S, Monday Morning last his Ex

ernor, put an End to the Sessio Baltimore-Town, and Prorogued Tuesday in August; after Passi

Laws, viz. 1. An Act for his Majesty's more immediate Defence and Protection of the Inhabitants of this Province.

2. An Act continuing an Act, for the Advancement of Justice.

3. An Act continuing an Act, for relieving the Inhabitants of some Aggrievances in the Professe Law, and for continuing the S thereto.

4. An Act continuing an Act, to remedy some Evils relating to 5. An Act continuing an Act, complementary Act to the Act, entitled containing the Height of Fences, to occasioned by the Multitude of training Horse Rangers within t

to redress the great Evils accruing by the Multitude of useless H Colts, that run in the Woods.

6. An Act continuing an Act, for the Gauge of Barrels, for Tar, Turpentine, and Tare of or Bread.