

Whitehall, April 6. The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint the Right Honourable Daniel Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham; Sir William Rowley, Knight of the Bath; Edward Boscawen, and Gilbert Elliot, Esquires; the Right Honourable John Lord Carysfort; Savage Moxson, and Edward Sandys, Esquires, to be Commissioners for executing the Office of High Admiral of Great-Britain and Ireland, and the Dominions, Islands, and Territories thereto respectively belonging.

Whitehall, April 9. On Wednesday last the Right Honourable Mr. Pitt, by his Majesty's Command, resigned the Seals of Secretary of State for the Southern Department.

The King has been pleased to grant unto the Right Honourable William Lord Mansfield, Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench, the Office of Chancellor of his Majesty's Exchequer, in the Room of the Right Honourable Henry Legge, Esq;

St. James's, April 9. This Morning, about Six o'Clock, his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, set out for Harwich, to embark there, in his Way to Hanover.

London, April 9. We hear the Duke of Bedford and the Earl of Sandwich will be Secretaries of State, and the Earl of Holderness Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

We are informed, that there is on board the three Ships from South-Carolina, taken by the French, at least 200,000 lb. Weight of Indico.

The Right Honourable the Earl of Egremont is appointed Secretary of State, in the Room of the Right Honourable William Pitt, who has been dismissed.

We hear that a certain great Personage sent a Messenger on Wednesday Afternoon to a great Commoner, informing him that he had no further Occasion for his Service; upon which the worthy Commoner nobly replied, that as he received his Commission directly from his Majesty, he could not resign without a formal Order from the same Hand.

We are further informed, that on the above Answer being received, considerable Appointments were offered to several of the Nobility and Gentry, in Connection with the present Ministry, and that they all begged to be excused from accepting any such Posts, while a certain Person (very lately appointed to a new Place) continued in any public Employment that had any Connection with theirs.

We are assured that the City of London will speedily present the Right Hon. William Pitt, and the Right Hon. Henry Legge, Esqrs. with the Freedom of the City in a Gold Box, as a Mark of the entire Satisfaction they have given that respectable Body, by their Prudence and Integrity in the Conduct of public Affairs.

Gilbert Elliot, Esq; having declined taking upon him the Office of a Lord of the Admiralty, William Gerard Hamilton, Esq; is appointed to fill up that Commission.

We hear that a noble Earl has refused going Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland.

They write from Toulon, of the 16th of last Month, that the Fleet in that Port designed for the Mediterranean, is to consist of 20 Men of War of the Line, and six Frigates, but they are not to sail till the End of this Month, and to take on board great Quantities of Stores and Provisions for Minorca, as also a Reinforcement of Troops for the Garrison at Port-Mahon. Several armed Vessels fitted out there, are failed to cruise on the English.

They write from divers Counties, that the Ground this Spring has turned up very rich, and there is a Prospect of a plentiful Harvest.

The Subscription to the Ladies Resolution Privateers (three in Number, to be commanded by the brave Capt. Walker) upon the Books at Sir Charles Apgill's, and Mr. Drummond's, already amounts to 8000 l. at the Head of which stands the respectable Name of the Right Hon. the Countess of Northumberland.

It is reported five Ships have been taken on the North Coast by three French Privateers.

We hear that the Right Hon. the Lord Tyravly, Governor of Gibraltar, is coming home, and that the Earl of Home is to succeed him.

Yesterday the Honourable Sir Richard Littleton, Knight of the Bath, and Major-General of his Majesty's Forces, resigned the Office of Master of the Jewel-Office.

As did the Hon. James Greenville that of one of the Lords of the Treasury; and Thomas Potter, Esq; the Office of Joint Pay-Master of his Majesty's Forces.

The Right Hon. Henry Fox is appointed Pay-Master General, in the room of Lord Viscount Duplin, and Thomas Potter, Esq;

We hear the Right Hon. Henry Fox, Esq; has just obtained a reversionary Grant for himself and his two Sons, of the beneficial Post of Clerk of the Pells in Ireland, now enjoyed by George Bub Doddington, Esq; and valued at 2000 l. per Annum.

We are now told that the French find themselves so much embarrassed for Want of Seamen, of which we have such great Numbers Prisoners in England, that they have proposed Terms for a Cartel, or general Exchange of Prisoners.

We hear that some Conferences have been had with the Spanish Minister residing here, upon Advice received of the Detainer of the Antigallican's Prize; and also that a categorical Answer is demanded to a grand Question.

There is a List of 36 Privateers said to be now out from Bayonne, and St. John de Luce, most of which mount from 20 to 30 Guns.

The Prince de Soubize, a French Privateer, fitted out by the Ladies of France (which had taken 14 Prizes without Damage) is taken at last herself by the Dunkirk Man of War, Captain Howe, purchased for 2500 l. by the Union Society meeting at the Feathers Tavern in Cheapside, together with her Provisions and Ammunition. She now rides off Limehouse, and is going out under the Name of the Boscawen Privateer.

April 12. By Advices from Hanover, the Landgrave of Hesse Cassel will add 4000 Men to the 8000 Hessians who are to return from England; and it is said, their Army of Observation will amount to about 58,000 Men, which is to be joined by the Saxon Regiments that have entered into the Service of the King of Prussia.

It is reported that nine Sail have been taken in the North Seas, supposed to be all English Coasters.

On Sunday Sir Edward Hawke set out from his House in Great George-Street for Portsmouth.

A Dutch Vessel arrived Yesterday in the River from Seville, in 16 Days, brings Advice, that the Antigallican's Prize was delivered up to the French Consul, and sailed from thence for France.

We hear that one Part of France's Plan of Operations against Hanover, is to conquer Bremen and Verden, and then make a Present of them to Sweden, in order to purchase the Concurrence, or at least the Neutrality, of that Crown in the present War.

It is reported that several English Ships have been seized at Ostend, by an Order from the Empress Queen.

We hear that his Royal Highness goes by Sea to Hamburg.

We are assured, that there is no Account of the Pondicherry French Indiaman, a Prize to the Dover Man of War, since she was in Yarmouth Roads. Upwards of 30,000 l. has been insured upon her. She had 280 Men on board.

Falmouth, March 31. Last Tuesday was sent in here a French Snow, homeward bound from Martinico, taken by the King of Prussia Privateer of London. Also a French Schooner Privateer of 16 Carriage Guns, 12 Swivels, and 80 Men, taken by the Lion Privateer of Bristol.

Portsmouth, April 8. Yesterday a Court-Martial was held on board the St. George, but cannot as yet learn the Occasion.

KINGSTON, (in Jamaica) May 7.

By the Hardman, Capt. Yoward, who came in last Monday from the Coast of Guiney, and left Cape-Coast Castle the 13th of last February, we learn, that on the 24th of that Month, the French Squadron appeared in Sight of the Castle, at 11 o'Clock, consisting of a 74 and 64 Gun Ship, besides a Frigate which lay by in the Offing with 4 Prizes, but where the Prizes were taken the Captain could not hear. The Two Men of War fired at the Castle, and continued the same with great Fury for about half an Hour, but did no material Damage, the Compliment being as briskly returned from the Castle, so that the Monsieurs, thought proper to proceed down the Coast so low as 'Tantum Query; there they manned their Launces and destroyed several trading Shallops, &c. In two Days after, Account came to the Castle of their taking four trading Vessels at Anamaboe. They afterwards went to Whiddaw, but no Accounts were as yet arrived what Damage they might have done there.

H O S T O N, May 30.

From Albany we hear, that scouting Parties of the Enemy appear often near the Ports at Lake-George, and, that last Week two of the Regulars being out for some Wood, were fired upon and killed by them; also, that they had taken two or three of the Rangers Prisoners, and killed two

others: One of the Regulars was knock'd on the Head with a Hatchet, about 30 Yards from Fort Edward.

We hear by a Coaster arrived at Cape-Anne from Dammariscotta, by at or near that Place, as a Number of Fishermen were catching Alewives for Bait, the Indians came upon, kill'd and took near twenty of them.

WILLIAMSBURG, May 27.

As the Dissatisfaction of the Catawbas, which shewed itself too much at their leaving this Place on the 16th and 17th of this Month (not being to be prevailed on to stay longer on the Frontiers, or to Promise to return, or send others in their Stead) and which was owing to some concurring Circumstances, gave great Uneasiness to the Inhabitants, it may be proper to inform them, for their Quiet and Satisfaction, that the Honourable Edmund Atkin, Esq; his Majesty's Agent for Indian Affairs, according to a private Agreement with their King and his Captains, followed them in the Night of the 17th to James-Town Ferry, where after another private Conference with them on Behalf of this Colony, he made a long Speech publicly on the 19th, in the Presence of several Inhabitants, in the Name of his Majesty, to King Heigler and all his Warriors, which produced an Effect that surprized all present. He delivered, as from the King, at the different Periods or Parts of his Speech, a large Belt of white Wampum, recommending a mutual Friendship between them and all his Subjects whatsoever on this Side the great Water; then several Strings of black Wampum, with a Hatchet, to be made Use of against all the Enemies whatsoever of his said Subjects, more especially against the Ohio Indians; and lastly, some other Strings of white Wampum, with a Proposition for their future Assistance of Virginia against those Indians in particular, by relieving Parties on the Frontiers, only under his Passports; and a Regulation recommended, which is calculated to reduce the present great and growing Expence upon Indians, to obtain a more effectual Assistance from them, and to render the Settlements more quiet and secure.

King HEIGLER, after some Pause, made the following ANSWER.

I AM glad to hear this Talk from King George. It hath entered my Heart; I will never forget it, but remember it so long as I live. The white People and my People are like two Brothers that came out of one Womb, and we will live as such for ever. We were at War heretofore with the Six-Nations; the white People took the Hatchet out of our Hands, and threw it into the Water [alluding to the Peace made at New-York, 1751, by the repeated Invitations of the Governors of that Province, and by the Persuasions of the Governors of South-Carolina] and now they have put it again into our Hands, we will use it, till they bid us throw it into the Water again. When I was at New-York, to make Peace with the Six-Nations, I said, that I and my People would always fight against the Enemies of the white People. The Shawanese have behaved badly; and the Six-Nations, and I and my People, are now all ready to join and go against them.

I cannot say much now; for we are like Travellers met on the Road, who are in Haste and have not Time enough to talk together. This Wampum and Hatchet shall remain in the Catawba Nation so long as it is a Nation; for the King that comes after me shall have them, and take the same Care to deliver them to the next.

I and my Warriors give Thanks to the Governor of Virginia for what he hath given us.

I have no more to say at present; but shall be very glad to see you in our Towns: We shall have Time to talk more together, and I will mind whatever you shall then say to me.

Then the King shook Hands with the Agent, locking his own Arm in his at full Length. The Agent then replied,

NOW you have spoke like a Catawba; I never knew the Catawbas asked twice to do any Thing: I have been so vexed and uneasy at what hath passed since I met you in Williamsburg, that it hath broke my Sleep; but now I am glad to hear what you have said, and my Heart is light at parting.

Soon after the King and his People came and took Leave affectionately, and crossed the River.

The Persons who afterwards conducted them thro' the Settlements to the Boundary Line of North-Carolina, report, That no Men could be- have better than they did in all their March; that they were continually talking of the Agent and his

Speech with the greatest Satisfaction, and often repeated that they would send fresh Parties to our Frontiers.

'Tis to be hoped that those who were present and know what passed, while those Indians were here in Williamsburg, and in what a Temper they left it, will, when they read the above, be convinced what an Injury Gentlemen do to their Country and themselves, who not having had sufficient Opportunities of knowing Indians and their Affairs or Manners, yet, with an ill-timed, though well meant Intention, concern themselves too much with them, and interfere in the Management committed by his Majesty to the said Agent, for the general Good of his Subjects.

Captain Arbuthnot, in his Majesty's Ship the Garland, is arrived in Hampton Road, having under his Convoy six Sail of Transports, with five Companies of the Royal American Regiment, under the Command of Lieutenant-Colonel Bouquet; but we do not hear they have brought any of the Provincial Troops from Pennsylvania: He only waits for the 200 Men to be sent from this Colony and then proceeds for South-Carolina.

And Yesterday passed through this City, in the Way to Hampton, 200 of the Provincial Troops of this Colony, under the Command of Lieutenant-Col. Stephen, in order to their Embarkation for South-Carolina.

N E W - Y O R K, June 6.
By a Vessel arrived at Rhode-Island the 20 ultimo, from Anamaboe, we have the following List of the French Squadron, and English Ships taken by them on the Coast of Africa, and elsewhere, viz. French Ships, l'Intrepide, Commanded by Faerfon, of 74 Guns; l'Opiniat, of 60; l'Unicorn, of 36; and le Calipso, of 16 Guns in all 190 Guns.

The English Vessels taken by the above Squadron, are, the Boscawen Privateer, of 14 Guns from Southampton, taken at Cape de Verd. The Spencer Frigate, in the Bay of Biscay, and kept for an Hospital Ship. The Prince of Orange, of Liverpool, at Cape-Mount, Jan. 1, with 175 Slaves, 14 lb. of Ivory, and one Tonne of Cam Wood. The Elizabeth and Mary, of Liverpool, at Little Cape-Mount, Jan. 2, with 50 Slaves. The Nancy, Gill, of Liverpool, at Junk, Jan. 3, with 70 Slaves. The Isabella, of Liverpool, at Bashaw, Jan. 4, with 45 Slaves. The Black Prince, Noble Beans, Whittington, Kennedy, both belonging to Whithaven.

On the 24th Day of January the above mentioned Men of War arrived at Anamaboe, and took the following Vessels, viz. The Casada, Garth Thomas T. Taylor, of Rhode-Island, near Winiba, Jan. 26, with 60 Slaves. The Camell, Michael Molton, of Rhode-Island, at Winiba, Jan. 26, with 46 Slaves. The Polly, Jeremiah Clark, of Rhode-Island, near Winiba, Jan. 26, with 75 Slaves. And Capt. Loe, of Liverpool, missing till the 18th of March, and supposed to be taken.

Besides the above mentioned French Ships of War, two others, viz. Le St. Michael, of 40 Guns, and Le Lathee, of 32 Guns, stopped at St. Jago to water, and were, between the 20th and 25th of January, spoke with by a Portuguese Vessel, off Cape-Palmas, who reported, that she had steered down the Coast for Angola, supposed to join the other Squadron.

Friday last Capt. Goodin arrived here in 13 Days from Jamaica, by whom we learn, that the Fleet of 25 Sail, under Convoy of his Majesty's Ships Roebuck and Lively, arrived at that Island in the Month of April last, from Ireland.

The following Men of War were at Jamaica when Capt. Goodin sailed from thence, viz. Roebuck, of 70 Guns; Princess Mary 60, Falmouth 60, Augusta 60, Assistance 50, Huon 40, Roebuck 20, Sphinx 20, Shoreham 20, Wager 20, and Lively, of 20 Guns.

The same Day Capt. Tingley arrived here in 13 Days from Halifax, by whom we are informed that the Bombketch Speedwell, Capt. Bond, was there in 5 Weeks from Falmouth, two before he sailed, the Captain whereof informs him, that the Earl of Halifax Packet, Capt. Morris, from this Place, was safe arrived there and that the following Regiments were thought for America, viz. Two Battalions of Royals, Forbes's, Blakeney's, Brag's, Kennedy's, Murray's, and Perry's.

Capt. Tingley likewise says, That two French Indians were lately taken at Malagash, and sent to Halifax; and that a Day or two after he got out, he met with the Boston Country Snow