

MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freshest Advice foreign and domestic.

THURSDAY, August 11, 1757.

ROCHELLE, April 21.

THE Robuste of 24 Guns, and 74 Men, that sailed from Bourdeaux the 8th of last Month for Canada, with 150 foreign Volunteers, on the 13th fell in with an English Frigate, supposed to be of 36 Guns, and fought from Two in the Afternoon till Eight at Night, in which Time she had 14 Killed, and 19 wounded, and her Sails and Rigging greatly damaged. The next Day, in the Evening, the Frigate attacked her again, when she lost 15 Men, and had 23 wounded, and being much shattered, would have put into some Port to refit, but on the 15th, at Day-Break, the same Frigate chased her again, came up with her about Eleven, engaged her a third Time with great Vigour, and shot away her Main and Mizzen Masts, but at length, by a fortunate Shot, the Robuste carried away the Rudder of the English Frigate, and by that Means escaped. After sustaining these three different Attacks, having only her Foremast and Bow-sprit left standing, she would have put into Rochelle to refit, but on the 17th she met with an English Privateer, with whom she exchanged some Shot, but received no Damage, and the next Day arrived here. The Crew compute, that in the three Engagements they fired 1300 Cannon Balls, and 15000 Musket Shot. The Chevalier de Cauffade, who was going Passenger to Canada, was so desperately wounded, that he died Yesterday.

L O N D O N, April 19.

By all Accounts the French Privateers now go in Fleets, so that we have need to keep a good Look-out; — but had we more Tartars and Captain Lockarts to command them, we should be able to curb their Pride and Insolence.

The Antelope Privateer, Capt. Boyce, of London, has taken a Storeship from Bourdeaux bound to Cape-Breton, and sent her to Falmouth; and has also retaken a Ship from Carolina, bound to Cowes, and sent her to Lisbon.

Extract of a Letter from Penzance.

"The Elizabeth Brig, Williams, laden with Salt, from Cadiz, for Falmouth, was taken the 15th ult. in Lat. 41:5. Long. 16, about 100 Leagues West of the Coast of Portugal, by a French Letter of Marque, and ransomed; and on the 21st, about 100 Leagues West of Cape Finisterre, she was brought to by a French Privateer, called the Marquis, belonging to Bayonne, of 16 Carriage Guns, and 250 Men; who detained her 25 Hours, and took from the Men all their Books, Mathematical Instruments, Clothes, &c. and beating the Master, sent her away. About 6 o'Clock the 4th Instant, about a Mile from the Lizard, she was again brought to by a French Privateer, of 20 Guns, and 300 Men; but on her seeing a Fleet of Ships, with their Convoy, she thought proper to steer off."

The several Letters in Town of the Increase of the French Privateers upon all our Coasts are most shocking and alarming, and unless timely dispersed must terminate in the Ruin of our Trade.

We hear that his Majesty has disbursed a considerable Sum out of his own Privy Purse to carry on the War at this Juncture.

We hear that in the lower Parts of the West of England, the Poor are obliged to eat Salt and Grains.

The Biddeford Man of War, arrived at Portsmouth, from Jamaica, has 300,000 l. on board.

May 19. The Phoenix Privateer has taken and carried into Jersey, a Ship from Nantes, to Granville, with Sugar and Brandy; also a Vessel, with Timber, Oars and Rosin, bound to Brest; and an Irish Vessel, with Lead and Coals for France.

The Reine, Monier, from St. Domingo, is taken by a Privateer, and carried into Guernsey.

On Monday last an Order was sent from the Admiralty to the several Yards belonging to his Ma-

jesty, for the Artificers to work double Tides, for the greater Dispatch in fitting out the several Men of War now in Commission, and which are speedily to put to Sea.

St. Jago De La Vega, in Jamaica, May 2.

Last Wednesday Morning was brought into Old-Harbour, by a Windward Island Privateer, commanded by Captain Shewel, a French Schooner, with a Cargo on board worth 7000 l.

The same Day Captain Fleming's Privateer, brought into Port-Royal, two French Prizes, a Sloop and a Snow.

May 21. Tuesday Morning early arrived the Honourable Thomas Coates, Esq; Rear Admiral of the Red, in his Majesty's Ship the Marlborough of 90 Guns, together with the Hornet Sloop, and the Fleet of Merchantmen under his Convoy, consisting of Twenty-eight Sail.

The Fleet sailed from Spithead on the tenth of March, consisting of upwards of Ninety Sail, for different Ports, and the Night following had a violent Gale of Wind, in which the New Elizabeth, Captain Manly, for Barbados (on board of whom was a great Number of Passengers) was run down by an Indiaman, and every Soul on board perished.

Admiral Coates has brought out the Blue Flag, for the Honourable George Townshend, Esq; he being appointed Vice Admiral of the Blue Squadron of his Majesty's Fleet, and on Tuesday Evening he hoisted the Blue Flag at the Fore-Top-Mast Head, on board the Edinburgh of 74 Guns, being saluted by all the Men of War in the Harbour.

Early the same Morning, the Colours in this Town were lodged, an End being put to Martial-Law.

Yesterday Morning sailed, in his Majesty's Ship the Roebuck, of Forty Guns, the Hon. Admiral Townshend, for England.

June 4. On Sunday Morning last the Fortune Hunter, Capt. M'Kay, a small Privateer belonging to Kingston, brought into Port-Royal a Sloop from Maryland, who had cleared for this Port, but was bound to Monti-Christo, laden with Provisions, &c. in order, as 'tis supposed, to supply the French.

Kingston, June 4. Tuesday Evening arrived at Port-Royal, Mr. Perrin Trott, late Surgeon's Mate of the Greenwich, from Cape-François. He escaped by breaking the Goal there, on the 18th ult. in Company with two other Gentlemen; they seized a Fishing Canoe on the Beach, in which they immediately embarked. Mr. Trott says, there were at the Cape, when they came away, one Frigate of 30 Guns, together with the Greenwich, which lay there as a Guard-Ship, though more resembling a Hulk, she having lost her Top-Mast, and most of her standing Rigging; in the late Engagement, which began at Ten in the Morning, and lasted till Nine at Night; during which Engagement, the gallant Captain Rhoddam was the whole Time upon Deck, notwithstanding his being attacked by two 74, one 64, and one French Frigate of 36 Guns: The Enemy fired wholly at his Rigging, and as they fired high, he had only a few Men wounded; but the Greenwich killed and wounded many of the French. Capt. Rhoddam, we hear, will soon be sent down to this Island. There has been a Duel between Mr. Perkins, late Captain of the Marines, and Mr. Wallace, late Third Lieutenant of the Greenwich, at Cape-François: The Gentlemen, to show their Courage, agreed to fight with Pistols, Toe to Toe; by which Resolution, a Ball entered the lower Part of Capt. Perkins's Belly, which went through his Body; Mr. Wallace received another, which passed under the lower Rib, and went through his Body also: They were immediately conveyed to the French Hospital, but no Englishman was suffered to come near them; so we fear the Lives of those brave young Officers, will be

unfortunately lost. There are upwards of 500 English Prisoners in that small and most wretched deplorable Goal of Cape-François, and what with their close Confinement, (not one being allowed the least Privilege of walking out) together with other cruel Treatment, short Allowance of bad Provisions, and uncommon Barbarity to the Sick, render them Objects of the greatest Pity and Compassion; and if some Method is not speedily taken for their Relief, they will all inevitably perish.

Kingston, June 7. On Friday last arrived his Majesty's Ship the Lively, who accompanied Admiral Townshend to the Mouth of the Gulph, where they parted. In her Return she met with a French Privateer of 8 Carriage Guns, and 38 Men, whom she took, and brought into Port-Royal.

The next Morning his Majesty's Ships the Edinburgh, Princess Mary and Shoreham, sailed on a Cruise.

The same Day arrived the Lynn Man of War of 40 Guns, who brought in a French Privateer of 10 Carriage Guns, and 88 Men, who was cruising to Windward of this Island.

June 21. There are private Letters in Town from London, which inform us, that Mr. Knowles, after an Examination of five Days, before the House of Commons, was honourably acquitted of the scandalous Aspersions laid to his Charge.

We are further credibly informed, that in Consideration of his many eminent Services, his Majesty has been pleased to create Mr. Knowles, a Baron of the Kingdom of Great-Britain.

Yesterday Morning sailed the Hon. Thomas Coates, Esq; Rear-Admiral of the Red, in his Majesty's Ship Marlborough of 90 Guns, together with the Dreadnought of 60, on a Cruise.

St. Jago De La Vega, June 25. Capt. Hannau arrived here from London, was taken about 60 Leagues to the Westward of Scilly, by a French Vessel carrying 36 Guns, but was ransomed for 200 l.

When he arrived off Nevis, he was brought to by an English Privateer, the Captain of which informed him, that some English Prisoners arrived a few Days before at Nevis from Martinico, had made Oath, that there were seventeen French Men of War at that Place a little Time before they left it; and that ten of them had sailed for Cape-François.

BASSETTERRE, in St. Kitts, June 8.

On Sunday was brought in by the Pinfold, Capt. Edney, a Sloop bound for Coracoa from Guadaloupe, and laden with a supposed French Cargo of Sugar, Coffee, &c.

And on Monday was sent in by Capt. Barzun, a retaken Sloop, bound from Piscataqua.

A Snow with Prize Colours, is now coming in. June 22. On Saturday Morning last, was bro't into the Road of Bassetterre, by the Privateer Sloop Frankland, Captain Smith, a French Prize Snow, of 4 Carriage Guns, and 21 Men, commanded by Captain Le Bat, and bound for Bourdeaux from Guadaloupe. She was taken the Morning before, seven Leagues to Leeward of Guadaloupe, and has on board 316 Hogsheds, 10 Tierces, and 45 Barrels of Sugar; 21 Tierces and 5 Bags of Cotton; 36 Barrels of Coffee; 31 Bags of Ginger, and 200 l. of Indico.

On Monday Morning arrived a French Flag of Truce, with Prisoners from Guadaloupe.

July 2. Yesterday Morning was brought into the Road of Bassetterre, a Prize-Sloop, laden with Sugar, Coffee, and Rum: She was bound from Martinico for Coracoa; and was taken on Sunday last, by Captain Bishop.

CHARLES-TOWN (SOUTH-CAROLINA) June 30.

We have the Pleasure to acquaint the Public, that a good Engineer (the great Want of which our Governor, as we hear, earnestly represented to the Earl of Loudoun) is arrived here with the Forces, who has already taken a View of our Fortifications,

AN away on the 6th of May last, from the Subscriber's Plantation on Patuxent River, a Negro Man called Billy, about 25 Years of Age, 5 ft 9 Inches in Stature, has a stooping in his Shoulders, and a sly Look. He had on a blue Coat, and a white Waistcoat. He formerly belonged to Mr. John Pagan, a Merchant, near Alexandria. Being Country born, and often Travelling with his said Master, he is acquainted with the Roads, and it is supposed he will endeavour for Philadelphia.

Whoever apprehends the said Slave, is desired, to bring him to the nearest County Goal; for which Trouble, and Expence thereof, he shall be Rewarded to his Satisfaction: And if any Person, taking the said Run-away, will bring him to the Subscriber, he shall be paid to his Satisfaction, and all reasonable Charges accruing thereon.

GEORGE WILLIAM FAIRFAX.

CALLISTER, Agent for FOSTER, CUNLIFFE and SONS, Esqrs. demand Payment of all Debts to their Concern at Oxford, in Cash or Tobacco, or in Wheat, as he is willing to take it; and those who are not able to make immediate Payment, are desired to come and settle.

As he is conscious of having hitherto treated his Debtors with exemplary Lenity, notwithstanding the malicious Aspersions on his Character by a few abandoned and ungrateful Wretches, whose Circumstances constrain'd him to take such Steps necessary to secure the Interest he has engaged in, and such Aspersions have been with ill-Nature fomented by others: As it manifestly evident to all dispassionate and discerning Men, that he has hitherto adhered to the best Rules of Humanity in collecting the Debts due to his Constituents, and given their Debtors the fairest and happiest Alternative in the Method of Payments that the Heart of an honest Man can devise, and which they cannot with Justice claim, he constantly given higher Prices to his Debtors than he could purchase for of others, and taking a losing Commodity; he is still Consistent, and will have all the Patience a reasonable Man can show, on taking Bonds, or good Surety, where Circumstances of the Debtor appear to him to be necessary. This he is induced to from the Consideration of the present Times bearing hard on Debtors, and purely for their own Sakes, for he has his Patience already tried and abused, and does not think himself obliged to suspend the Rigour of Justice. This, it is hoped, People will take upon, and alter their Conduct with regard to him.

He has still on Hand, a considerable Quantity of European and West-India GOODS, both old and new, which he will sell cheap for ready Tobacco, Cash, or Wheat.

June 9, 1757.

ALL Persons indebted to the PAPER CURRENCY OFFICE, are required to pay the INTEREST due on their Bonds within Six Months from the Date of, otherwise the Bonds will be put in Suit. Signed per Order of the Commissioners, RICHARD DORSET, Clerk of the Paper Currency Office.

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