

marching them from the remotest Corners of her Dominions.

Advices from different Parts of Germany by Yesterday's Mail give us Reason to expect some important News very soon from the King of Prussia.

A great Number of Cannon, from 18 Pounders downwards, are preparing at Woolwich with the greatest Expedition to be shipped for the West-Indies.

Never were Military Preparations carried on with greater Vigour and Assiduity, in all his Majesty's Yards, Arsenals, &c. than at present; and we hope the Transactions of the succeeding Spring will obliterate the disagreeable Remembrance of past Misconduct.

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman in Spain to his Friend in London.

"The Spaniards are fitting out six Ships of the Line and two Frigates at Ferrol; four of the Line and two Frigates at Carthagena; and six of the Line and two Frigates at Cadiz; at which Place it is said they are all to join, and about the Middle of April to proceed to the West-Indies. Messieurs _____, of Cadiz, have contracted with his Catholic Majesty, to furnish this Armament with Provisions from Ireland.

Extract of a private Letter from Madrid, March 7.

"The whole of those formidable Armaments, which are to sail out of our Ports this Year, amount to no more than this; a Squadron to guard the Coasts in the Summer, and to protect our Trade from the Corsairs; and another Squadron which is to sail in August, to meet the Flota from America. We have this Moment received Advice by a Courier, that the French Squadron from Toulon, sent to reinforce that of M. de la Clue, in the Harbour of Carthagena, has had the Misfortune to fall in with the English Fleet of 18 Sail, and are taken."

April 4. We find by private Letters from Paris, and other Places, (brought in the Flanders Mail) that the French have lost three Men of War in the late Engagement off of Carthagena; the Foudroyant and Orpheus are taken; and the Oriflamme, who was supposed to have escaped, was driven ashore near Alicant, and has likewise fallen into the Hands of Admiral Osborne. This last Circumstance was what gave rise to the Report that those three Ships had got safe into Alicant.

By other Accounts of this Affair it appears, that the Oriflamme Man of War ran ashore at Cape de Gatte, to prevent being taken by our Fleet; and that the Crew were taking out her Guns and Stores; but the Ship is lost to the French, though not gained by us.

Several Circumstances, not known before, are said to be received by the last Mails from America, which set the Conduct of the Commander in Chief there, lately superseded, in a very favourable Light. It is even said, that an Express has been sent with Orders for him to continue in Command. His Lordship had settled the Plan of Operations with the several Provinces, in order to make a bold Push early, before the French could receive any great Reinforcements; which, by the Suspension of so considerable a Person just at the Time of its being to be put in Execution, may be defeated.

Yesterday a Messenger arrived in Town from the allied Army, who came over in a Fishing-Boat, (all the Packet-Boats being on this Side the Water) who says, that the French Army retire precipitately; have abandoned Paderborn and Munster, and have crossed the Rhine.

An Advice-Vessel is dispatched to Admiral Osborne in the Mediterranean, with some Matters of very great Importance.

As is also another for Admiral Holburne, on his Passage with a Fleet for North-America.

April 6. By a Letter from an Officer of Rank in the Army of the Allies we are informed, that Prince Ferdinand of Brunswick has published a Rescript, which has been dispersed all over Westphalia, informing the Troops of the French, that all who come in and deliver up their Arms shall be clothed and fed, and have Liberty to go where they think proper, upon their taking an Oath not to serve against the Allies during the present War. It is farther said, in the same Letter, that all the Roads and Paths in Westphalia are strewn with Arms and Accoutrements, thrown away by the French Soldiers, the better to facilitate their Escape.

An Express from the Hague arrived last Monday, and we hear he has brought over the King of Prussia's Ratification of the Convention for the Operations of this Campaign; according to which England is to supply him with a certain Sum of Money, transport a few Regiments to garrison Embden and some other maritime Places, and

likewise send a strong Squadron into the Baltic; on the other Hand, his Prussian Majesty is entrusted with the whole Direction of the Land Operations against France.

In Consequence of the above Convention, we are told, that Five Millions are to be raised by Subscription, and One Million will be taken out of the Sinking Fund; it being resolved that the Cause should not be stinted this Year, as it was the last: So that we now hope a successful Campaign may terminate the War, and "a large Expence be found the most frugal Plan of War."

A strong Report prevailed To-day of an Insurrection in Russia, where they were in Arms when the News came away.

'Tis said the Spanish Ambassador has received a Confirmation by the Way of Flanders, of two French Men of War being taken in the Mediterranean by Admiral Osborne, and another driven ashore and beat to Pieces.

Extract of a Letter from the second Captain of the Phoenix Privateer of this Port, dated Dartmouth, April 6.

"It is with the greatest Satisfaction I acquaint you of our Success. The third Instant we chased, and about ten o'Clock came up with the Bellona Privateer of St. Maloes, mounting 18 Six-Pounders, and 12 Swivels, with 120 Men. I told Capt. Read, that if it was agreeable to him, I would board the Frenchman with the Boat, which I did with five and myself; but making use of the Name of the Tartar Man of War, and presenting my Pistol to the Captain's Breast, struck them with such a Panic, they could not stand. My Men backed me bravely, and we drove them with our Cutlasses like a Flock of Sheep, when all on board the Phoenix thought we were cut to Pieces; but, to their great Surprise, we soon sent them a Boat Load of Prisoners."

It is said that some Ships have Orders to proceed to second Commodore Moore's Expedition against Martinico and Guadaloupe.

The Brilliant Frigate has taken and brought into Plymouth two French Privateers, viz. La Nymphé, of Granville, of 20 Guns, and 180 Men, and the Vanquier, of Dunkirk, of 12 Six-pounders, and 120 Men.

A French Snow Privateer, of 8 Guns, and 56 Men, is taken and brought into Yarmouth Roads by a Sloop of War.

The Character of the present King of PRUSSIA.

[Drawn by Mr. DE VOLTAIRE.]

HERE is a Man in Europe, who rises at Five in the Morning, to endeavour to diffuse Happiness over Four Hundred Leagues of Land: He is a King, a Legislator, a Minister, and a General: He has gained Five Battles, and in the midst of Victory has given Peace: His Country has been enriched, instructed, and rendered polite, by himself: He has done what other Princes have scarce attempted: He has put a Period throughout his Dominions, to the Arts of eternising Suits at Law, and has forced Courts to be just: He has given the lowest of his Subjects the Permission to write to him; and if the Letter is worthy of an Answer, he condescends to return one. His Relaxations are the Occupations of a Man of Genius: I don't know whether there be in all Europe a better Metaphysician, and whether if he had been born, the Cotemporary and Countryman of *Chapelle, Bachaumen, and Chalico*, these Gentlemen would ever have obtained a distinguished Reputation. Tho' a Philosopher and a Monarch, he is sensible to the Charms of Friendship; and in short, if he persists, he will shew, that it is possible for the World to have had a *Marcus Aurelius*.

B R I S T O L, April 1.

The Phoenix Privateer, Capt. Read, is arrived in King-Road from a Cruise, and has brought in the Granard Privateer of St. Malo, of 12 Six-pounders and 55 Men. She had been out but four or five Days, and had taken two Colliers from Wales, one of which was bound from Caermarthen to London, commanded by Capt. Nees. The Phoenix took her the 24th ult. in Lat. 48. The same Day she spoke with a Dane, who left Bourdeaux the 18th, bound to Hamburgh. The Captain informed the Privateer, that Twenty-four large Ships, under Convoy of two Frigates and one armed Ship of 60 Guns, would sail from Bourdeaux for Canada in about twenty Days from the eighteenth.

By a private Letter from on board the Windsor Man of War, we are inform'd that she arrived last Week at Plymouth from a Cruise, and brought in the Pacifick of Nantz, Capt. Dumaine, bound from the Isle of Maurice in the East-Indies to Port

l'Orient, laden with Coffee, Logwood, &c. She is computed to be worth 150,000 l. Sterling. The Indianman parted Company with another a few Days before, and as Admiral Hawke is cruising in the Bay, she may probably fall in with his Fleet. The 14th ult. the Windsor and her Prize fell in with three French Men of War of 80, 74, and 60 Guns, steering a direct Course to Cape-Breton; and tho' the Frenchmen came within Gun Shot of the Windsor, they suffered her to escape without firing a Gun. On the 17th they saw a Wreck of Masts, Yards, Rigging, &c. which seemed to belong to a King's Ship; the Main Mast was broke short off, and look'd as if it had been done by an Engagement.

B O S T O N, May 18.

Our Advices from Halifax are, That on the first of May Instant, a French Prize-Ship was sent in there, taken by Admiral Hardy off Louisburg; she is about 6 or 700 Tons Burthen, mounts 20 Carriage Guns, and had on board 100 private Soldiers and three Officers; her Cargo consists of 3000 Barrels of Provisions, 3000 Fire-Arms, a large Quantity of Cloathing, and most Sorts of warlike Stores for the Garrison of Louisburg: She maintained a running Fight with the Admiral for four Hours, which is suppos'd to be the Firing mention'd in our last Papers to be heard by Fishermen: The Admiral was in Pursuit of another Store-ship, Confort to the above, and 'twas not doubted would take her.—A Dutch Frenchman with Provisions bound to Louisburg, and one from Martinico with Melasses, was likewise sent into Halifax by the Fleet.—On the 2d Instant, the Trent Frigate, and a Store-ship belonging to Admiral Boscawen's Fleet arrived at Halifax; as did also the Admiral himself on the 9th, having had a Passage of 11 Weeks, they had been as far to the Southward as Bermudas: The Ships arrived with him were the Nature of 90 Guns, Royal William 84, Princess Amelia 80, Lancaster 70, Burford 74, Prince of Orange 60, Pembroke 60, Nottingham 60, Bedford 64, Shaanon Frigate and Kennington—The Vanguard 64 Guns, and Centurion 60, were gone to Ireland to Convoy the Troops from thence.—One of the Transports it is said is missing, which they parted with off the Western Islands: She had about 112 Soldiers on board with Pick-Axes and other Utensils. There arrived also at the same Time, about 20 Sail of Transports and Store-ships, being the Fleet from Philadelphia, and Part of the New-York Fleet.—It is said Admiral Boscawen did not intend to make any long Tarry at Halifax, but would sail in about ten Days from his Arrival. A Brig belonging to New-London was arrived at Halifax in 5 Weeks from Spithead.—Capt. Herriman from Barbados was also arrived at Halifax.

A Man of War is arrived at Piscataqua, with Dispatches from Admiral Boscawen.

N E W - Y O R K, May 29.

Tuesday last, the Privateer Brig Duke of Marlborough, Captain Fenton, of this Port, returned here from a Cruise, and brought in with him a large French Dutch Ship, called the Clara Magdalena, Elias Van Houton, Master, which he took the 1st Instant, in Company with the Captains Koffler and Skinner of this Place: She was bound from Porto Prince, on Hispaniola, as the Dutchmen say, to Amsterdam, and loaded with Sugar, Coffee and Indico.

The 25th of April, Capt. Fenton, in Company with Capt. Dwight, of this Port, and two small Providence Privateers retook a Ship belonging to Philadelphia, that had some Time before been taken by a French Privateer: The Frenchmen after firing several Shot at Capt. Fenton, took to their Boat and carried off all the Papers belonging to the Ship. She was sent to Providence.

Extract of a Letter from Capt. Jonathan Hampton, dated the Head-Quarters, on the Frontiers of New-Jersey, May 17, 1758.

"Yesterday I was at Nominack Fort at Minisink, where I examined the Wife of Nicholas Cole, and her Son Jacob, about ten Years old, who said, that the Day before, about Two o'Clock in the Afternoon, 13 Indians rushed into the House, her Husband being from Home, when they immediately pinioned the old Lady, and tomahawked her Son-in-Law, 18 Years old, laying a-sleep on the Bed, dragged her out Doors, where lay her eldest Daughter aged Thirteen, a Boy aged Eight, and her youngest Daughter aged Four Years; they were all scalped, and the poor helpless old Woman saw the infernal Fiends run their Spears into her gasping and dying Infant. They afterwards rifled the House, then carried her and her Son Jacob off. At a small Distance from her House, and near Minisink, in Sussex County, they came to

where was a heap of Ashes, but no Fire; she supposed they had been ever since Sunday lay their Cloaths; for they were not joined by a Scout. Soon after they were joined by two German Captives, who they killed and scalped another Day, and killed and scalped another Westbrook's Field, near Minisink afore-mentioned. This Cole himself came home, where his Children lay murdered, his Wife and four Children were went to Nominack Fort, where he was killed and buried his Children. Our Soldiers that Evening killed some Neighbours, and cross Delaware to Waylay the Road to Wyoming; and were going to one Chambers, the Renard two o'Clock at Night, they heard the drum down the Hill into the main Road to cross when one of the four firing upon them, they fled, giving a Yell. The Woman a String round her Neck, the Boy by the neck finding themselves loose made their way to the Road, and happily met at James's Bay first, to which Place the four were fled. The Woman says, they could take Dutch, and she is assured one is a White Parties of the Soldiers are gone to Wyoming and Castleton, under Capt. De Peuy's, but like to recover. He Indians."

Since receiving the foregoing Letter been assured that the Indians after they made the Yell, thinking they were taken and kill'd the two Germans, and then cut off one of their Heads and Breast, the two Bodies being found.

We also are assured, That on Thursday the Daughter of the Widow Walling, Fort Gardner, between Gothena, going out to pick up Chips for the House at by three Indians, and her Shrieks House, her Brother looked out of a Window, when seeing the Fellow and scalping his Sister, he fired at certain to have wounded one of the Woman and her other Daughter during their Escape, and the Son likewise got

P H I L A D E L P H I A,

Captain Richey, from Bristol, brought him a large Letter of Marque Ship, of 26 Men, called La Vestal, Commanded, which he fell in with on April, 250 Leagues West of Ushant, 5 Hours, in which Time he received more than a Shot through his Main- Frenchman had his Fore-topmast, lantern, and the Head of his Main-mast, and two of his Guns dismounted bound to Canada from Bourdeaux, Company with 11 other Vessels, and a Frigate. Her Cargo consists of barrels of Flour, 200 Barrels of Pork, Wine, 200 Barrels of Brandy, 1000 ter, some Bale Goods, a Quantity of and other Things, and it is thought a very valuable Prize. The Day before Richey took the above Ship, he met a large French Man of War, which he without any Damage. His Prize was Latitude 38, by a Sloop, but on firing two at her, she made off.

By Captain Gibbon, from Antigua Advice, that there were eighteen French in St. John's Harbour when he failed thirty Sail of French Dutchmen: The Privateers have been lately carried into That Captain Minshall, of the Blake of Barbados, had sent one into St. and that upon his going in after her, a Salute from the Prize, a Swivel which killed Mr. England, his second and two Boys.

Friday last a pretended Flag of Truce here from the Mississippi, with four Persons of which belonged to this Province that they left behind them a Englishmen, who have been confined Months.—The Reason why the Flag not all brought off, or what her Burden River might be, we leave our Readers to judge.

On Monday, the 22d ult. one Boy was killed and scalped in Hanover Tupper County. And we are well informed 125 Persons have been murdered from that County, by the Indians, commenced; and that three have but are yet alive.