

bring Marshal Daun to a general Engagement, or force him to retire into Bohemia.

Perhaps, when all Circumstances are considered, the King of Prussia will appear greater in his last Defeat, than in any Victory he ever yet obtained. The Wing of his Army that was surprized at a Distance from him, the two Generals that commanded it slain in the first Onset, his other principal Generals wounded, the whole Wing in Confusion without a Leader; to come in these desperate Circumstances in Haste from another Quarter to recover all; twice to repulse the Enemy, and at last to retire, overborne only by Numbers and Fatigue, without being pursued, is such an Instance of great Generalship, that, perhaps, no Man ever heard of before.

*Extract of a Letter from Portsmouth, October 29.*  
"The Artificers proceed very briskly on the Britannia, which, when finished, we think, will be the largest Ship in the World."

It is said that the French have required three of their private Men taken at Louisburg, in Exchange for every single Man of ours taken upon the French Coast.

Letters from Oporto by Yesterday's Groyne Mail bring Advice, that an Edict is issued, importing, that if any Person presumes even so much as to mention the King and Ministry, they shall be banished from Portugal for ever.

We hear there is a Loan opened at the Exchequer for 250,000 l. at three and a half per Cent. being the whole Sum wanted to compleat the 800,000 l. on the Vote of Credit, and which will be repaid in January next to the Subscribers, together with the Interest due thereon.

The last Advices from the King of Prussia's Army say, that they cannot justly determine the Loss; but there was Reason to think it very considerable on both Sides; that it was easy to infer from the Consequences of this Action, that it was far from being decisive, inasmuch as the Prussians when they fell back to Bautzen, were not in the least disturbed in their Retreat, and are ready for a second Action.

The King of Prussia was in the hottest of the Battle, and had a Horse shot under him; none of the Army suffer'd so much as the Gens de Arms, most of whose Officers were slain upon the Spot. In the Evening the King ordered one of his General Officers to be put under Arrest for Misconduct in the Action.

*Admiralty-Office, October 10.* Capt. Douglass, of his Majesty's Ship Alcide, gives an Account in his Letter of the 8th Instant, that having received Intelligence of a French Frigate called the Felicite, of 36 Guns, and a Flute called the Robuste, of 24, being sailed from Bourdeaux the 10th of September, he (with his Majesty's Ship Astcon) steered a Course to intercept them; and on the 15th, twenty Leagues to the Westward of Cape-Finisterre, they came up with, and took the Robuste, the Felicite having left her the Night before: She is laden with six 24 Pounders, twelve of 18, six Iron Mortars, 3000 Shells of 13 Inches Diameter, Cordage, Canvas, Flour, and several other Stores for the Use of the French Men of War at Hispaniola.

An Account is also received from Capt. Hartwell, of his Majesty's Ship Lizard, that on the 2d Instant, cruising off Brett, he came up with and engaged two Frigates called L' Heroine and Duc D' Hanover for more than an Hour, when L' Heroine, the largest, made all the Sail she could for the Rocks near the opening of the Passage of Fontenoy, and then he wore down, and engaged the Duc d' Hanover, which Ship, in little more than Half an Hour, struck: She mounted 14 Carriage and several Swivel Guns.

*Extract of a Letter from Deal, October 9.*  
"The Wind has blown excessively hard all this Morning, till about Seven o'Clock, when it began to abate; the Men of War drove, but now ride safe; but some have lost Anchors. The Sterling Castle from Jamaica, had two Ships on board her, and has lost her Main-mast, and remains. There are two more Ships at an Anchor that have lost all their Masts, and another I could just now espy without Sand, with his Fore-masts only standing, which drove out of the Downs; I don't know what Ship it is."

*Extract of a Letter from Plymouth, Nov. 4.*  
"Last Sunday Morning about 3 or 4 o'Clock, the Tayloe, Valnight, and the Lyon, Lee, both from Virginia, run on the Goodwin Sands, but were afterwards got off with little Damage."

We learn from Paris, that the Usher Moriceau, was executed on the 11th of September, pursuant to his Sentence, for seditious Speeches against the Government. He was a Man of Fortune and some Reputation.

*Whitehall, Oct. 14.* By a Letter from Admiral Boscawen to Mr. Secretary Pitt, dated Louisburg Harbour, the 13th of September last, the following Account of the Inhabitants on the Island of St. John has been received.

Point le Prince	700
N. E. River	2000
St. Peters	700
North Point	500
West and North River	200
	4100

Lieutenant Colonel Lord Rollo writes to the Admiral, that most of the said Inhabitants had brought in their Arms.

The Admiral's Letter further contains, that by the best Accounts he can get, the said Island of St. John has been the only Supply for Quebec, of Corn and Beef since the War, except what has been brought from Europe, having at present above 10,000 horned Cattle, and many of the Inhabitants declare they grow each of them 1200 Bushels of Corn annually; they have no other Market for it but Quebec: It has been an Asylum of the French Inhabitants from Nova-Scotia; and from this Island has been constantly carried on the inhuman Practice of killing the English Inhabitants of Nova-Scotia, for the sake of carrying their Scalps to the French, who pay them for the same: Several Scalps were found in the Governor's Quarters, when Lord Rollo took Possession.

The most noble CHARLES SPENCER Duke of Marlborough, Marquis of Blandford, Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the Counties of Buckinghamshire and Oxford, Master-General of the Ordnance, Colonel in Chief of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, Commander in Chief of the British Forces in Germany, and a General of Foot; Ranger of Whitney Forest in Oxfordshire, a Governor of the Charter-house, one of the Presidents of the Small-Pox Hospital, Doctor of Laws, Fellow of the Royal Society, a Knight of the most noble Order of the Garter, and one of the Lords of his Majesty's most honourable Privy-Council, died at Munster in Germany, of a Fever, on the 20th of this Month. Lord GEORGE SACKVILLE succeeds to the Command of the English Forces abroad.

His Majesty's Ship Winchelsea of 24 Guns, who fell in with a French Man of War of 64 Guns, and a Frigate of 36 Guns, from Quebec, West of the Cape, engaged the Frigate for a long Time; but unfortunately losing her Masts, was obliged to strike to the Man of War, who bore down with her lower Tier run out. The French Ships were weakly mann'd, the 64 Gun Ship not having above 40 Men able to work her, which obliged them to land most of the English Sailors.

On Sunday Major Prideaux, of the 3d Regiment of Foot Guards, kiss'd his Majesty's Hand at Kensington on his being appointed Col. of Lord Howe's Regiment of Foot in America.

The Ships lately arrived from the East-Indies, bring a favourable Account of our Affairs there; the Enemy not being in a Capacity of giving them any Disturbance; that Col. Clive is declared General by the Grand Mogul, and has the Command of 5000 Horse, and stays at Bengal to prevent any Disturbance among the Inhabitants, who are no longer to be relied upon than they are under the Reach of our Cannon.—The French have demanded a Passage through the Territory of Leige for 5000 Militia, who are going to join M. de Contades. M. de Chevert has got a Pension of 10,000 Livres till a Government falls.

The great Columbus, we are informed, in his Expeditions against the Indians, made Use of Dogs with great Success. The same Expedient might be practis'd at this Time against the wild Canadians and Indians, who, on Account of the Impenetrableness of the Woods, have too successfully hitherto surprized our Regular Forces. There is no need to enlarge on the great Probability that those sagacious Animals would make excellent Scouts, and would render it impossible for any Parties of Indians to conceal themselves within two or three Guns Shot of our Forces.

The Britannia, from New-York; is arrived at Bristol. She spoke with the America, and another Man of War, Time not mentioned, who had taken three French Ships from Martinico.

A large Dutch Ship is brought into Bristol, by the Drake Privateer; another of 600 Tons, is sent in by the Trial Privateer; and a third of 600 Tons, is sent in by the Severn Privateer. Also a Dutch Ship of 800 Tons, is sent into Cork, by the Dreadnought Privateer. They are all said to be from St. Eustatia; they are laden with Sugars, Coffee, and Indigo.

Marshal Keith was shot dead the first Discharge

of the Enemy's Musquetry. He received the Ball in his Breast, dropt down, and never spoke a Word afterwards.

Prince Francis of Brunswick received his Death by a Cannon Ball, which carried off his Head just as he was mounting his Horse.

*Nov. 2.* We hear that as some Gentlemen were observing the Stars at the Academy in Paradise-row, Chelsea, last Sunday Evening, they discovered a nebulous Star, some Degrees from the North Horn of Taurus, which not being inserted in the Brittanica Catalogue of Stars, is probably the Comet now expected.

*November 7.* This Morning an Express arrived at the Admiralty with Advice that Col. Broadstreet in the Middle of August last, made himself Master of Fort Frontenac, or Cadaraqui on the Lake Ontario at the Entrance of St. Lawrence River, and took in the Harbour 11 or 12 Ships each mounting from 10 to 20 Guns; he found in the Fort 80 Pieces of Cannon with great Quantities of Ammunition and Provision. The Garrison surrendered Prisoners of War.

*Glasgow, October 21.* On Wednesday last arrived at Greenock, the Ludlow-Castle Man of War, Capt. Clark, with nine Sail of Transports, from Portsmouth, to carry a Body of new raised Highlanders, &c. over to North-America.

BOSTON, January 1.

The following Lines were written by a LADY upon General AMHERST's leading his Troops from Boston, after the Conquest of Louisburg, to join our Army that had been repulsed at Ticonderoga.

**M**ETHINKS I see Britannia's Genius here,  
Who smiles to find her guardian Sons your

Care:  
Whilst ev'ry Heart with Indignation glows,  
Warm'd with the Sense of injur'd Britain's Woes.  
If aught be glorious in a Soldier's Name,  
To Glory now how just is AMHERST's Claim?  
Calm from the Triumph which his Valour bought,  
New Plans of Service ripen in his Thought:  
For us his unremitted Zeal defies

The changeful Seasons, and inclement Skies;  
With painful Steps the tedious March endures,  
And gives his own Repose to purchase ours.

Flush'd with Success the lawless Vagrants come,  
From France their Maxims, and their Gods from

Rome:  
Ruffians who fight not in fair Honour's Cause,  
For injur'd Rights, or violated Laws;  
But like a Savage Race they roam for Prey,  
And as they pass, Destruction marks their Way.

O THOU! who dost o'er human A&S preside,  
As Virtue is thy Care, be AMHERST's Guide:  
The warlike Man, whom ev'ry Heart approves,  
Each Tongue applauds, and every Soldier loves:  
In ev'ry Conflict may Thy Power afford  
Strength to his Arms, and Victory to his Sword;  
Still may he guard the Freedom founded Throne,  
And add new Laurels to his Monarch's Crown.

At Two o'Clock last Monday Morning, a Fire broke out at the Court-House in Providence, in Rhode-Island Government, whereby that Building was soon laid in Ashes, as also a Dwelling-House contiguous to it: The Quaker Meeting-House, and the Tavern kept by Mr. Noah Mason, sustained great Damage by the Fire, but were not wholly destroyed: The Fire was occasioned, as is generally supposed, by keeping a large Fire the Saturday before, it being an extreme cold Season (the General Court then sitting there) heating the Hearth to such a Degree that it catch'd the Timber under it, and continued burning till Monday Morning before it broke out: We have not learnt whether any of the Colony or Court Records were destroyed, or what the Loss is computed at: A fine Library, which cost a few Years ago 2000 l. Sterling, was destroyed, excepting a few Books which were lent out. Dr. Bowen of that Town was run over by an Engine at the Time of the Fire, which bruised him in such a Manner that his Life was despaired of: A Negro Woman was so frightened at the Fire that she died on the Spot.

*January 8.* We have a certain Account from the West-Indies, that the Flotissant, a French Man of War of 74 Guns, and 800 Men, which Capt. Tyrrell in his Majesty's Ship Buckingham of 64 Guns, but short of her Complement of Men, had a most desperate Engagement with, and had eight taken, but escaped by a Breeze of Wind springing up, sank in less than a Quarter of an Hour after she came to an Anchor between two Islands near Guadaloupe.

Friday last the Ship Happy Returns, Peter Mc Taggart Commander, arrived here from London. He sail'd from Spithead the 22d of October, under Convoy of the Arundel, of 20 Guns bound

to Louisburg, with about 450 Men, and some for Halifax, with Capt. McTaggart informs, that on the 22d, all the Troops were embarked on board the Flotissant for the Expedition, and some of the French Settlements under the Command of ———— were reported; the principal Service was not then certain, Lord Howe; and that the Master of this Expedition, consisted of 2 and 3 Bombs. The Regiment of this Expedition are, The Old 60's, General Barrington's, Hodgson's, and 800 Marines: with great Probability of True made some Overtures of Peace with the English Nation, for News at a farther Distance than

*January 15.* Captain Hinchinbrook New-London last Friday Seven Days from St. Martins, informed Men of War had arrived at the Land, being Part of a Fleet of the Line, with some Frigates, Transports, who were to proceed, when the whole Fleet had been expected, as they were left of War a few Days before.

From St. John's in Antigua, that the Master of the Dutch Frigate Woolwich, and brought in from St. Domingo to St. Eustacia the Paimier, a fine French Frigate of 50; and that the Paimier was engaged in Sight of the Dreadnought of 60 Guns of 50; and that the Paimier was Frigate escaped.

Six Thousand Pounds Sterling the Colony of Connecticut.

ANNAPOLIS  
The General Assembly of the Province of Maryland, met on Monday the 26th of January.

We hear from Fort Mifflin, that James Riley, of the Maryland, distinguished himself by his valour in the defence of his Country, lately Small-Pox, much lamented by the People.

THE MANAGERS of the Lottery, notwithstanding already given to Gentlemen in distant Parts, to send in Accounts of the Tickets in their Hands, as we presume by the Badness of the Drawing for a few Weeks. The Notice, that they will peremptorily draw the First Thursday of the Provincial of April next. They have fix'd on a Lottery, which will be many of the Adventurers the Business.

LANDED at Mr. Richard O'Connell in Dumfries, on Patowmack, him sent to my House, as below marked HM in a Piece, of a Piece of Brocade, a Suit of red Satin Shoes, two Pair of white Muff, six Pair of Kid Mitten Gloves, and four Books: They were by Messieurs Bacon and Cooper containing the Gloves and for them. The Owner may have the Charge of advertising in the Land.

STOLEN from the Subscriber of Rock-Creek, in Frederick County of July last, a Chestnut Sorrel Horse, near Buttock with the Letter Blaze in his Forehead, about 15 high, and a natural Pacer. Whoever will give Information, he may be got again, shall receive Reward of 10/ R. Satisfied.

STRAYED from the Subscriber near Nottingham in Prince Georges County the last of October, a Horse, branded on the Buttock with B join'd back to back in, stroke very imperfect; he is a white Silt in each Ear.

Whoever takes up the said Horse, notice of him, so that he may receive Fifteen Shillings Reward.

Ad 7/6 R.