

and a Shock of an Earthquake was felt here, and in the Neighbourhood, which lasted about a Minute. The same Shock was also felt at Kilmartin and other Places in Holstein, but don't hear of any Damage done by it.

FRANKFURT, Dec. 25. While Peace is talked of at London and the Hague, the military Operations are carried on in Saxony, with an Obstinacy which respects neither the Season nor the Cries of Humanity. The Prussians determined, as they say themselves, to become Masters of Dresden in spite of the Season, are strengthening their Army with all the Troops that they can get from Pomerania, Brandenburg, and Silesia. The better to secure their Success, the Hereditary Prince of Brunswick is marching with a Body of 15,000 Men, and passed near Erfurt the 18th Instant. This sudden Motion must give great Uneasiness to the Austrians, and to the French.

CHARLES-TOWN, March 12. We hear that a famous Dutch English House in Holland has failed for immense Sums, and that a Merchant in London has likewise failed. The Humane cannot help feeling the Distress of others; but surely such Men, as, from the Greediness of Gain, have betrayed the Interests of their Country to their inveterate Enemies the French, have small Title to Pity, when such Attachment overwhelms them with Misfortunes.

Capt. Thompson, from Barcelona, informs us, that our Catholic Majesty, Charles III. is augmenting his Forces both by Sea and Land. The Royal Navy of Spain consists of 35 large Line of Battle Ships, besides Frigates; and the Land Forces, it is said, would soon be increased to an Hundred Thousand.

According to our Advices, the whole Cherokee Nation will be in Motion, and most active, from the Beginning of next Month; and it seems to have been many Months ago designed by them to begin Hostilities against us, as soon as the Leaves on the Trees should be an Inch long; so they describe the early Part of the Spring.

Fort Prince-George (Keweenaw) Feb. 28. "Mr. Coymore died of his Wound 25th Inst. the Day after the last Express set out. The same Day one of the Soldiers was shot in the North-East Angle of the Fort, from the Hills on the other Side of the River: He died of the Wound Yesterday. We have Reason to believe the Indians have a good many rifle-barrel Guns amongst them, as their Bullets seem to come this Way with great Force. There is no Communication at present with Fort Loudon."

Pine-tree-hill, March 17. "Mr. Wyly, and Mr. Kershaw, are set out for the Catawba Nation, with a Talk from Col. Richardson to those People, by his Excellency's Orders."

March 20. "Last Night Mr. Wyly and Mr. Kershaw arrived from the Catawba Nation; they have succeeded in what they chiefly went about, which was to engage those Indians to deliver an Express to the Commanding Officer at Fort Loudon: There are not now above 60 Catawba Warriors, but it is thought they may be depended on."

April 2. Yesterday arrived here his Majesty's Sloop Albany, Capt. Jarvis (who is to sail directly for England) with five Transports, and a Storeship, in 12 Days from New-York;—another Transport arrived To-day; on board of these Vessels are 1200 chosen Troops of the Royal Scots, and the first Battalion of Highlanders, under the Command of Col. Montgomery; the Officers and Men are in Health and Spirits.

BOSTON, April 7. Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman at Lisbon, dated February 12, 1760.

"We have now lost our Hopes of an Accommodation this Spring, betwixt the contending Powers, no Measures being at present taken which seem to tend thereto."

"A Packet is arrived with five Mails; by the Advice brought thereby it is plain the French are determined to reinforce their Army all they can, towards making another Push at Hanover the approaching Season. No Doubt we shall use every Effort to counteract them, and hope for the same Success wherever the Almighty has hitherto blessed our Arms; with great Reason they seem to place no Dependence on their Marine, but resolve to lay up their remaining Ships of War to preserve them; this however will ennumerate Privateers, which already increase, as the Men which were retained for their Navy will now go into private Service, and I apprehend we shall find Premiums of Insurance to rise again &c &c long. We are preparing some Naval Expeditions at home, and we thought we is designed against Martinico.—The

King of Prussia is joined by a Reinforcement from the Prussian Army, who, as well as the Austrians, continue to keep the Field in this rigorous Season, so that we shall remain in Possession of Saxony, so that we shall be able to speedily expelled to make."

Thursday last 3 or 4 Transports sailed from Nantucket Road for New-York, with Part of the Train of Artillery on board.

His Excellency the Governor hath received from his Excellency Governor Wentworth of New-Hampshire, and from the Hon. Mr. De Lancey, Lieutenant Governor of New-York, Letters acquainting him, that they should use all proper Methods in their respective Governments to obtain Relief for the Sufferers by the late Fire, and remit what might be collected to the Select men and Overseers of the Town of Boston, as his Excellency had desired.

We are assured that Christopher Kilby, Esq; formerly Agent for this Province at Great-Britain, now employed in his Majesty's Service at New-York, upon hearing of the dreadful Calamity which had befallen this Metropolis, generously ordered his Friend to pay Two Hundred Pounds Sterling, for the Relief of the unhappy Sufferers.

On the 21st ult. the Ship Fanny, Captain Brooks, arrived at Pianketank, in Virginia, from Genoa, which Place he left the 5th of February, and brings Advice, which he received from the English Consul there, that the King of Prussia, since the Disaster which befel General Finck, had gained a signal Victory over the Austrians; also, that the English Fleet, under Admiral Broderick, had met with a most violent Storm, in which one Frigate was lost, and were obliged to put into Cadiz, and that the Remains of de la Clue's Squadron took the Opportunity of departing for Toulon.

We hear that the French Snow, on board of which the People were destroyed by some English Prisoners, whom they had cruelly used, and afterwards taken by a Vessel belonging to New-London, and carried in there lately, has been condemned to the Captors.

Last Week a Gentleman at Newport, Rhode-Island, sent Fifty Dollars, for the Relief of the Sufferers in the late terrible Fire in this Town. Another Gentleman of that Place sent three Johannes's, for the same charitable Use; and we hear a Subscription is opened there for the same good Design, in which 'tis said the Gentlemen of that Town have very largely subscribed, and we make no Doubt but their truly charitable Example will be followed by many well disposed Persons in the other Provinces.

We have received an Account of the following Fires which happened last Week, viz. a House and three Barns belonging to Colonel Cummins, at Concord; a House and Barn at Lincoln, belonging to Mr. Wheat, and a House and Barn at Willington, all burnt to the Ground, but by what Accident they were occasioned not known.

NEW-YORK, April 14. The first Instant, the Schooner Francis, which sailed from St. Kitts, the 21st of February last, commanded by Captain John Honey, arrived at Rhode-Island: She was forcibly taken from said Captain three Days after she went from St. Kitts, bound for Georgia, by Samuel Parkes, Mate; and Benjamin Hawkins, William Devine, John Carter, and John Gibbs, Sailors: They gave the Captain and one Mr. Goff, with two Men, and three Negroes, the Boat, with Provisions, and set them adrift, and intended to sell the Vessel and Cargo in the first Port they made, and make an equal Dividend of the Proceeds, but they are all now in Rhode-Island Goal, the whole being discovered by an Advertisement in the New-York Papers; the Schooner was loaded with Rum, Indigo, some new Negroes, &c.

Wednesday arrived here three Sloops from Boston, with Captain M'Cloud's Company of the Royal Regiment of Artillery on board; and two or three more with military Stores on board.—Yesterday they left this Place for Albany, there to prepare themselves for the ensuing Campaign.

Extract of a Letter from St. Croix.
"We lately had like to have been overturned by a Negro Insurrection; but thro' the Goodness of God, it was discovered. Fifteen Negroes have been executed, and fifteen more have been transported."

PHILADELPHIA, April 17. On Saturday last the General Assembly of this Province adjourned to the Eighth Day of September next.—The following Law passed the last Session, viz.

An Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of

One Hundred Thousand Pounds, out for striking the same in Bills of Credit, in the Manner herein after directed, and for providing a Fund for sinking the said Bills of Credit, by a Tax on all Estates real and personal, and Taxables, within this Province.

Fort at Pittsburg, March 21, 1760.
"This Day Major General STANWIX set out for Philadelphia, escorted by 35 of the Chiefs of the Ohio Indians, and 50 of the Royal Americans. The Presence of the General has been of the utmost Consequence at this Post during the Winter, as well for cultivating the Friendship and Alliance of the Indians, as for continuing the Fortifications, and supplying the Troops here, and on the Communications. The Works are now quite perfected, according to the Plan, from the Ohio to the Monongahela, and eighteen Pieces of Artillery mounted on the Bastions that cover the Isthmus; and Casemates, Barracks and Storehouses, are also completed for a Garrison of 1000 Men and Officers; so that it may be now asserted, with very great Truth, that the British Dominion is established on the Ohio. The Indians are carrying on a vast Trade with the Merchants at Pittsburg; and, instead of desolating the Frontiers of these Colonies, are intirely employed in increasing the Trade and Wealth thereof. The happy Effects of our Military Operations this Way, are also felt by about Four Thousand poor Inhabitants, who are now in quiet Possession of the Lands they were driven from, on the Frontiers of Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia."

From Winchester we are informed, that several Parties of the Cherokees have made Incursions into Augusta County, in Virginia; that a Detachment of the Virginia Regiment, under the Command of Captain Gift, has had several Skirmishes with them, in which he always repulsed the Enemy, and kept the Field, tho' with great Loss of Men; and that in these Skirmishes several of the Cherokees have been killed and scalped.

We learn from Providence, that a Schooner from Boston, on board of which was a Son-in-Law of Governor Shirley's, and his Excellency's Plate, was taken off Bermuda, by a French Letter of Marque, homeward bound, and ransomed for 1000 l. Sterling.

We have Advice from Albany, that two Men had made their Escape from Fort De Troit, and got safe to Niagara; who informed, that the French there were in great Want of Provisions, and had sent all their Soldiers, and most of the Inhabitants, to the Mississippi for a Supply.

On Saturday last his Excellency General Stanwix arrived in Town, accompanied by a Number of Gentlemen of the Army.

ANNAPOLIS, April 24. We hear that Mr. William Thomas, of St. Mary's, is Elected a Representative for that County, in the Room of Mr. Edmund Key, gone to England.

Last Week a Death Warrant for the Execution of James Horner (lately condemn'd for a Rape) was sent over to the Sheriff of Dorchester County.

The Beginning of this Month, some People in Kent County, having carelessly made a Fire in a Tobacco House, under some Tobacco which was hanging up on the Joists, and leaving it to go to their Breakfasts, the Tobacco catch'd Fire, and communicated itself to the House: On their return, one Michael Hodgson, got up on the Roof in order to extinguish it, but was so much suffocated with the Smoke, that he fell in and was burnt to Death. About 7000 Weight of Tobacco was destroy'd with the House. Accidents of the burning Tobacco Houses frequently happening in the same Manner, one would think should be a sufficient Caution to Others to avoid that very dangerous, though common Practice.

JUST IMPORTED from LONDON, And to be SOLD by SAMUEL EVANS, Book-Binder, near Mrs. Howard's in Annapolis.

A COLLECTION of BOOKS, consisting of History, Law, and Physic; together with great Variety of School-Books and Stationary. During his Stay here, which will be about two Months, he will Bind old or new BOOKS in the neatest and most expeditious Manner.

THERE is at the Plantation of John Wells, in Anne-Arunde County, taken up as a Stray, a Black Gelding, with a Star in his Forehead; but has not any perceivable Brand.

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