

to the Magistrate, acquainting them that his Grace the Duke of Bedford had informed him, that Thurot, with three Frigates, put into Carrickfergus Lough on Thursday the 28th Instant, &c. &c. Upon which Expresses were sent to Warrington and Manchester agreeable to former Instructions from the War Office, requesting all the Militia in those Parts to march immediately for this Town, as it was not known whether Thurot intended to visit us or not; and about nine o'Clock on Tuesday Morning four Companies of the Southern Battalion of the Lincolnshire Militia came into this Town, having begun their March from Warrington at two o'Clock in the Morning, and at eight o'Clock at Night the whole Northern Battalion of the Lincolnshire Militia came in from Manchester, consisting of ten Companies. On Wednesday Morning came in the Remainder of the Southern Battalion, consisting of six Companies, from Macclesfield. To the Honour of the British Arms we can assure the Public, that immediately on Receipt of the Expresses from our Magistrates, their Officers ordered the Drums to beat to Arms, and they marched off for this Town in a few Hours, each Company consist of 60 Private, 2 Drums, and 3 Sergeants, with their Officers.

London, Feb. 4. The following Gen. Officers are appointed for the Trial of Lord Charles Hay, Major General of his Majesty's Forces, who, we hear, is accused of every Military Crime that an Officer can be guilty of, except Cowardice and Desertion, neither of which Crimes are laid to his Lordship's Charge. Tuesday, the 12th of February, Judge Advocate's Office, Horse-Guards, is the Day and Place fixed for the said Trial.

Lieutenant General Charles, Earl of Cadogan, President.

Lieutenant-Generals. John Guise, Richard Onslow, Henry Pulteny, Sir Charles Howard, John Hulse, John Campbell, John Lord Delaware, Sir John Mordaunt, James Cholmondeley, Henry Seymour Conway, William Earl of Albemarle, Henry Holmes, Lord Robert Manners, John Mofyn.

In the last War, the small Privateer, the Charming Nancy, of Jersey, took 55 Prizes; the same Vessel was fitted out this War by the same Name, and, while she could swim, took 29 Prizes; about six Months ago she was rebuilt at Southampton, and has since taken two outward bound Martinico Ships, with Stores, so that in the Whole she has taken 85 Prizes.

Feb. 9. An Officer in the Allied Army, by Way of Postscript, finishes a Letter to his Friend here thus: "The Highlanders at the Battle of Dillenberg on the 7th of January ult. cut to Pieces the greatest Part of the Regiment of Dragoons of Beauremont, and mounted their Horses, which made such an Appearance as never was seen. The Highlanders are brave Fellows, they drive all before them."

Feb. 12. On Thursday last the Jamaica Merchants gave an elegant Entertainment at the Bedford Head to Admiral Holmes, on his being appointed Commander in Chief of a Fleet of Ships destined for the West-Indies.

Feb. 15. Letters from Hanover are full of the Preparations making throughout that Electorate for continuing the War with Vigour. Though they have already raised a Number of Men sufficient to recruit the Hanoverian Regiments, they continue enlisting with great Spirit, and talk of augmenting their Companies, and forming some Battalions of Light Troops.

Some Letters from Paris, by Yesterday's Mail, say, that a fresh Attempt has been made on the King's Life.

The following is the Substance of a Letter received at Cologne, from Petersburg.

"Every Preparation is making for a vigorous Campaign. The Empress, at the Solicitation of the High Chancellor, who is wholly in the Interest of the Courts of Vienna and Versailles, hath publicly declared her Intention to reinforce General Soltikoff's Army with 52,000 of her best Troops; and Orders have been issued for all the Regiments to advance to the Frontiers. It was long under Consideration, Whether the Army should be put again under the Orders of Field Marshal Soltikoff next Campaign; but after several Conferences held on this Subject, it was resolved that he should be continued in the Command. He owes this chiefly to the Chancellor, who places great Confidence in him: The Grand Master of the Ordnance, who is at present one of the Empress's chief Favourites, and a great Friend of Mr. Keith, the British Minister, wanted to have Soltikoff removed, but could not prevail; and if the Designs of the Austrian and French Ministers succeed, this Favourite will not long hold his present Share of the Empress's Esteem, for several Reasons, but chiefly for his strenuous Endeavours to make her Imperial Majesty accept of the Proposals of the Kings of Great-Britain and Prussia."

The Royal William, Admiral Boscawen, which is put into Plymouth, was, by the high Winds, dismasted, and expected every Moment to have

been dashed to Pieces: She received other considerable Damage.

March 3. On Saturday the East-India Company received an Account of the Arrival of the Pitt and Warren Indiamen at Kinsale in Ireland.

Advices by the East-India Ship Pitt say, that Colonel Clive had obliged the Person whom the French had set up in Opposition to the Nabob of Bengal, Bahar, and Orixa, and who had invested Patna, to retire precipitately from thence upon the Colonel's Approach, who after he had settled the Tranquillity of the Country returned to Calcutta.

That soon after the Siege of Madras was raised, Major Brereton was detached with some Troops to harass the Rear of M. Lally's Army, which was abandoning the Country Forts of Poonamalle and Trepassour, wherein some Guns and Ammunition were found that the French had not Time to remove. This and other detached Parties soon after joined the English Troops at Treparamadore, about 30 Miles from Madras; by which Time M. Lally had, with his whole Army, possessed himself of Conjeveram, a fortified Pagoda, 50 Miles distance from Madras: The English advanced within three Miles of that Pagoda, but were disappointed in their Hopes, notwithstanding all Efforts of bringing the Enemy to an Action, which M. Lally declined, tho' stronger by 200 Europeans; this induced Major Brereton to march to Vandewash, a Country Fort, 40 Miles from Pondicherry, garrisoned by the French, which he attacked, hoping thereby to draw the Enemy from Conjeveram; this answered his Expectation, for altho' M. Lally had himself returned to Pondicherry, Major General Soupire, with the French Army, marched towards Vandewash, and when within 10 Miles of it, the English Army moved towards him, and drew up in Order of Battle in Sight of the Enemy, continuing there three Nights; but M. Soupire had so entrenched himself that it appeared he had no Intention to come to Blows. It was then determined to make a forced March to Conjeveram, where the Enemy had 700 Seapoys, which done, on the 16th of April, the Gate-way was battered with two twelve and two six Pounders, and a Breach being soon made, it was storm'd and carried, many of the Garrison being put to the Sword. In the Pagoda 100 Horses, and some Provisions, were found. Our Army was cantoned here: The French returning to Arcot, 30 Miles from Conjeveram, and having no Pay, and but bad Provisions, it occasioned great Discontent and Desertion; all their German Hussars, amounting to eighty, have joined the English with their Horses and Accoutrements, and at least 400 of their other Men. On the 20th of June Mons. Lally joined his Army at Arcot, and moved towards Conjeveram, where the two Armies cannonaded each other for four Days, when Mons. Lally, whose Men continued to desert, retreated in the Night to Pondicherry.

The English Army remained cantoned in Conjeveram till the first of August, when Part of it under Major Monfon advanced to the Attack of Converepeak, which after two Days he took, granting the French Garrison a Capitulation. At the same Time Major Caillaud marched with 200 Europeans and some black Troops to dislodge the Enemy, who had taken Possession of Tirupoty, which he did with the Loss of very few Seapoys.

Massulipatam was stormed and taken by Major Forde in April last, where he killed near 200, and made Prisoners about 300 French.

The Favourite Sloop from Pondicherry for Mauritius, taken by the Royal George, was brought into Madras Road the 14th of August last, with the Chevalier de Creilon and the Marquis de Chambois, Colonels, a Captain, and two Volunteers. This Prize was esteemed worth 40,000 Rupees.

The Ship Warren is also arrived at Kinsale, having left Madras the 20th of August last: She brings Advice, that the Winchelsea, Prince of Wales, Rhoda, Tibury, and Britannia, had sailed for China; the two former the 22d of April, and the others the 19th of June. The Essex sailed from thence for China the 7th of August, and the Valentine and Suffolk were soon to follow. And that Admiral Pocock, then cruising between Pondicherry and Negaparam with his Majesty's Squadron, had taken under his Orders the Company's Ships Denham, Oxford, Pocock, Duke of Dorset, and Royal George.

The Ship Earl of Holderness was also arrived at Fort Marlborough.

Some Captains of Men of War, and some Captains of the Company's Ships, are suspended in the East-Indies.

We hear there is a large Train of Artillery, and

a vast Quantity of military Stores, such as are used in Sieges, now ready at Woolwich for Embarkation.

March 3. This Morning an Express arrived at the Admiralty-Office, with Advice, That Thurot, with his three Ships, were taken the 28th past, near the Isle of Man, in his Way down St. George's Channel, by his Majesty's Frigates *Æolus*, *Pallas*, *Brilliant*, *Elliott*, *Pallas*, *Captain Clements*, and *Brilliant*, *Captain Logie*: Thurot himself was killed in the Action.

From another Quarter.

As soon as Mons. Thurot set sail, with the Squadron under his Command, from Carrickfergus, it was imagined that his Design was next to make an Attack on the Town of Liverpool. Whereupon the Lincolnshire Militia was drawn out as a Security to that Part of the Coast. But happily his Majesty's Frigate the *Æolus*, of 32 Guns, *Captain Elliott*; the *Pallas*, of 36 Guns, *Capt. Clements*; and the *Brilliant*, of 36 Guns, *Capt. Logie*, two of which sailed from Kinsale in Search of the Enemy, came up with and engaged the Squadron near the Isle of Man: Monsieur Thurot was killed by the first Broadside from the English; and the three French Ships were taken. It is said the English had only five killed and thirty-one wounded. The Action was but very short.

On Friday the Court-Martial met; after the usual Forms of Swearing the Members and opening their Commission, Lord G..... made a very elegant Speech, in which he mentioned his having often applied for a Court-Martial in Germany before he left the Army, and since he came home, to the Ministry, which, after a great deal of Application, having obtained, he thought himself happy in the Choice of the Honourable Members who composed that Court, by which he should have an equitable Trial, and an Opportunity of vindicating his Conduct to the Public. After he had done, a noble Earl asked him, *If he held any Commission in the Army?* To which he answered in the Negative; on which the Court was cleared for their private Debate; at the End of which the Court adjourned till Thursday; some say it was to take the Judges Opinion of the Power and Legality of their Court.

The Judges having given their Opinion in regard to the Authority of the Court-Martial, it is expected to sit and proceed on the Day they adjourned to.

The Torbay Man of War is sailed from Plymouth, with the Onslow, and Royal Duke, outward bound East-Indiamen.

The Juno Frigate is sailed from Plymouth, with the Victuallers under Convoy for Quiberon Bay.

Admiral Holmes and Sir James Douglafs arrived at Portsmouth last Saturday Night; and on Sunday Morning a Signal Gun was fired for the Fleet of Merchantmen to get ready for sailing for the West-Indies.

Some Accounts brought over by the India Ships lately arrived in Ireland, say, that the Army defeated by Colonel Clive consisted of 60,000 Men, commanded by the Mogul's Son in Person, and that he had taken that Prince Prisoner.

The Landgrave of Hesse Cassel, has ordered six Regiments of Foot to be immediately raised in his Dominions, for the Use of the King of Prussia and his Allies.

By a List published at Madrid, the Troops belonging to Spain amount to 107,800 Men, viz. 90,580 Infantry, and 17,220 Cavalry.

His Majesty's Ship *Vanguard* is, we hear, to sail for Quebec the first Wind, and six Sail of Frigates with her.

Great Preparations are making for sending Troops to Germany; and a fine Train of Artillery, with proper Officers, &c. will be ready to embark in a few Days.

Lieutenant-General Honeywood's, and Lieutenant General Dejean's Regiments of Dragoons, have Orders to embark directly for Germany.

Col. Laurence and Col. Draper are come home from the East-Indies.

Cork, Feb. 11. This Day arrived at Cove from Plymouth, his Majesty's Ship *Nightingale*, of 20 Guns, *Captain Campbell*. She is to convoy the Ships bound to North-America.

Galway, Feb. 14. Michael M'Daniel of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, Mariner, the only Survivor of the unfortunate Crew of the late Ship *Anne* and *Mary*, of this Port, which was wrecked on the Coast of Kerry in December last, arrived here on Saturday last, from whom we have the following Relation of the Sufferings of that unhappy Crew. He saith, that he, with eight others, sailed from Drontheim in Norway the first of September last, laden with Deals for this Town.

That after a Stormy Weather, they were taken the 15th in the opening of Allowance some how pleasing it was desired Port. But equally, in wear overfet; in which about for the Spitting away the R (the only one that again: But during stove in, and I whereby they lo they had left, but other Article that gating the Vessel, tasting a Morfel equally shared a followed next no suggest. It was support the Rest The first fell upon a poor Widow in for their immodense with the C haps before they further Recourse for them than the granted, and aft Legs, which the a Morfel himself, ted to live 30 Ho the same Fate wa 3 Days before he Patrick Lee; an On these four Bo without any Kin they could catch the Rest subsist (Lot died in the of October to the the Vessel was d aforesaid. The were so worn out they were unabl Signs of Life, a Care was extend about 30 Hours a The same Care as who, so soon as I made the best of dying Injunctions aforesaid, who f earnest Request, should, as speedi to this Town, a their miserable S

Geport, Feb. 2. Confutation the into on the melan Majesty's Ship R and wailing is their Husbands, Children for their the Loss of their

Capt. Taylor, has left a Lady, lable. A few o eattle upon a Ro Commander atte and was carried

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About the Mi Inhabitants near a Scout, came up Number, who v lock near a def few Shot the In Firing by both Hours; at last some of his F being much exaf on Fire; another those two Men same Time to th were obliged to of seven Indians of the House, a Dog followed on River, where the till he was drow

About the sam Robert Gillespie at Fort Dobbs, ry, in Rowan C and scalped by