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TCADIZ, May 4. THE extreme Drought we have had in this Country, ever since the Commencement of the Year, joined to the Scarcity and high Price for Corn, has caused a great Number of Inhabitants in the Country to quit their Habitations, and seek Relief in this City. These Strangers are so very numerous, that the Governor has thought it necessary to publish an Ordinance, by which they are all enjoined to leave the City in 24 Hours, on Pain of being taken up, and obliged to work in the King's Arsenals. Yesterday public Prayers were offered up to implore Rain. The Mortality among the Poultry continues to rage here.

Berlin, May 10. All that has hitherto transpired concerning the Stipulations of the Treaty signed the 13th of April, between Russia and Prussia, imports, 1st a definitive Alliance, and formal Guaranty of all the Possessions of the two Sovereigns. 2. A reciprocal Promise, in case of War, to assist each other with 15000 Foot, and 5000 Horse; excepting the Wars which Prussia may have in Westphalia; and that Russia may have with the Turks; in either of which Cases, the stipulated Succour is to be in Money. 3. As to what regards the present State of Poland, the two Sovereigns jointly engage to pursue the same Measures and Principles they agreed upon in a former Convention.

Hague, May 26. Our Politicians here are wholly at a Loss to account, why, in the midst of a profound Peace, the naval Armaments, both of France and England, should be carried on with such uncommon Vigour. They think they see in the extraordinary Activity exerted by both Sides on this Occasion, some thing more than the bare Restoration of their Marine, or even the prudent Precautions usually taken in Times of Tranquillity not to be unprepared for another War, by suffering the national Strength to decay. They never remember so much Vigilance displayed by the great Officers at the Head of these Departments before. The Duke de Choiseul's second Visit to all the Sea-Ports of France alarms them. The many new Ships of War already built, with the Orders issued out for Construction of more; the Reparation of their Fortresses, the Reviews in the Plains of Sabions, the great Attention paid to their Finances, the Demand just made from Sweden, for her stipulated Subsidy of a Thousand Men, the military Preparations making in the principal Ports belonging to the other Branches of the united House of Bourbon, are by several considered as many Indications of a rankling Jealousy, which may shortly break forth into an open and extensive War. The Report of a misunderstanding, and the present critical State of the Affairs of Poland, in their Opinions, confirm these Conjectures, and may soon blow up the kindling Embers into a violent Flame.

LONDON, May 1. Saturday Evening died, at his House in Bury-street, St. Mary-Axe, Benjamin Mendez da Costa, Esq; a Gentleman of the Jewish Profession; but whose Practice, as it adorned human Nature, would do Honour to the purest Religion. His Love for Mankind in general, was unbounded; which won him universal Reverence and Esteem. Firmly persuaded that Riches are sent, not to gratify the gawling Views of Pride, Luxury, or Avarice; his Wealth was as a mighty Reservoir of Water, whence issued a Thousand salutary Streams, to cheer, relieve and support, weeping, distressed Virtue, of all Persuasions, and of all Denominations. Besides the 3000l. per Annum given to charitable Uses by the late worthy Mr. Da Costa, by a Codicil to his Will, he has ordered that all the Bonds, Securities, &c. he had by him, should be immediately on his Death destroyed; and that the Annuities he had given to distressed Families should be continued during the Lives of the Persons to whom they were granted.

May 15. We hear that a Grant is making out to Denny Rolle, Esq; Member of Parliament for Barnstable, of a Tract of Land of many Thousand Acres, near St. Mark's, in East Florida; and that he is preparing to embark in a few Days, with some Gentlemen, Artificers, and Families from Bristol. Many young Men and Women are going in the Ships from thence, and several Families propose to go over from the Ports of Barnstable and Bideford, in the Autumn, sufficient, it is supposed, to settle the whole Grant in a short Time. As soon as the Settlers arrive, and are provided for, that Gentleman intends to return at the Meeting of the Parliament.

Cochinal, Silk, and Cotton, are the Produce of that Country, and will be a very profitable easy Employment for the Women and Children; as Indigo, Rice, and other valuable Commodities, will be raised by the greater Strength of the Men.

May 17. Yesterday arrived a Mail from New-York, brought by the Pitt Packet, Brigstock, in 27 Days. Green Peas were on Thursday sold for a Guinea and a Half a Quart.

We hear that four Guineas were given on Thursday Se'night for a Quart of Peas, for the Use of his Excellency the Spanish Ambassador, who that Day gave an elegant Entertainment to the foreign Ministers, and many of the Nobility and Gentry.

May 19. Some Gentlemen, eminent for their Skill in the Profession of Engineering, are now preparing to embark for the Grenadaes. They are to take an accurate Survey of all our late acquired Islands in the West-Indies, with the most convenient Places to erect Fortifications, which are with all Expedition to be put in a proper State of Defence.

Lord Clive gives Capt. Mills, of the Kent, a Thousand Pounds for his Passage to Bengal.

A great Quantity of Artillery is now preparing, in order to be sent to the Islands of Tobago, &c. together with some Engineers, to direct the Building of the Fortifications.

May 24. Yesterday at Half past Twelve came on before Lord Mansfield, and the other two Judges of the Court of King's Bench, at Westminster-hall, the Trial of Philip Car-

teret Webb, Esq; Member of Parliament for Haslemere in Surrey, Solicitor to the Treasury, and Fellow of the Royal Society, for Perjury, which continued till 7 o'Clock in the Evening, when the Jury, which was a special One, after an Absence of half an Hour, brought in their Verdict, *Not Guilty*. It was with no little Difficulty that a Jury could be impanelled to try this important Cause, some of the Gentlemen who had been summoned neglecting to attend, notwithstanding the pressing Necessity for their Appearance. One of them, however, was fined 30l. for his Remissness, which it is hoped will have a salutary Effect upon every future Occasion.

Yesterday the Commissioners of the Navy contracted for 500 Tons of Hemp of British Growth.

We are credibly informed, that a Pension of 1500l. per Annum for Life is granted to the Right Hon. Lord Sandys.

The State of the National Debt, as it stood on the 5th Day of January last, being Christmas Day O. S. amounts to 129,586,789l. 10s. 1 half-penny, and the annual Interest, or other Charges payable for the same, amount to 4,688,177l. 11s.

The Society for Encouragement of Arts, &c. last Night resolved to offer a Premium of One Hundred Pounds for a Secret to Tan Sheep and other Skins without Bark.

The same Society has lately received a valuable Treatise from Italy, (in Consequence of a proposed Premium) pointing out a very salutary Invention to empty Water out of Ships.

Notwithstanding the Island of Grenada was supposed by many, at the Conclusion of the Peace, to be barren, and of little Value, 9397 Cwt. of Sugar, and 774 Cwt. of Coffee, have been imported into this Port from thence within Three Months last past.

Extract of a Letter from the Grenadaes.

"The Trade of this Place is more considerable than could be expected in an infant Settlement. Great Numbers of English daily arrive here, both from Europe and America; Provisions are very plenty, by Reason of the Ships resorting here from Virginia and New-England with Bread, Flour, Peas, Pork, Butter, Cheese, and Hams; a House is knocked up presently, all the necessary Materials of Beams, Boards, Rafter, Joists ready framed, being imported from North-America; which, with the great Number of French settled here as Subjects, render this Place by far more considerable for Commerce, than any other of the new ceded Carribee Islands."

Yesterday a large Quantity of Small Arms were shipped on board the Fleet going to the different Settlements on the Coast of North-America.

May 25. It is reported that an additional Number of Forces will be sent to all our American Colonies.

By an Estimate lately made it appears, that the Produce of the Revenue of his Majesty's Customs has increased at the Rate of upwards of a Million per Annum since the Peace.

May 26. They write from Brest, that the Court of France have lately ordered the Number of Seamen on the marine List, to be augmented with 15,000 Men.

It is rumoured, that Enquiry has been made at a public Office, to know in what Time they could Victual out 20,000 Men, in Case of Emergency.

In Consequence of the prudent Measures now taking, the State of the British Navy is in a Way of being vastly superior to what has ever been experienced in former Years. Exclusive of a thorough Survey of all his Majesty's Ships of War, Contracts have been entered into with every Province, Island, and Settlement in America; where Men of War may be supplied with Provisions, Rigging and all Manner of Naval Stores, on any Emergency; the same Contract is also in Force in most foreign States in Europe, so that let a King's Ship put in any where, she is sure of being supplied.

June 2. The great Manilla Prize, left 50 Leagues to the Westward by the Lenox and Grafton Men of War, arrived at Portsmouth, is larger than any of our Men of War; she draws 34 Feet Water.

On Saturday the Chace, Smith, sailed from Cowes, with Palatine Passengers, who are going to settle in Pennsylvania.

This Week several Workmen, in the House-building Branch, were engaged for the new Settlements: They are to embark on board the Grampus for Pensacola, which Ship sails in about ten Days.

Perthmouth, May 22. The Lords of the Admiralty, who are making the Tour of all the Yards belonging to his Majesty, went on Tuesday last to Woolwich, where Lord Egmont, accompanied with three other Lords of that Board, together with their Secretaries, took a View of most of the Ships that are building and in ordinary there, mustering the several Artificers and Ships Companies as they went; enquiring into the Nature and present State of all the Stores; Condition of the several Ships of War; necessary Repairs, &c. and whatever else their Lordships were pleased to think worthy their Notice, was ordered to be minutely forthwith. Their Lordships returned to Town in the Evening, and were expected to view Deptford, and the other Yards.—As nothing can be more pleasing to the Enemies of Great-Britain, than to hear that her Ships are suffered to rot in her Harbours, and her naval Affairs totally neglected; so can there be no Sounds more grateful and harmonious in the Ears of all the true Friends thereof, than those that result from Accounts of so really interesting and political a Concern as the above, to wit, a timely Attention to what constitutes the great Bulwark of the Nation, the Nerves of the State, so much recommended and taken Notice of in his Majesty's late most gracious Speech from the Throne.

An additional Number of Hands are ordered to Sheerneck, to be employed in that Yard for fitting out several Ships there for Channel Service.

Orders are given for several armed Sloops and Cutters, to sail for the Coast of Scotland, for the Protection of Trade, and the Prevention of Smuggling.

St. James's, May 19. The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint William Young, Alexander Grange, John Haat, Robert Stewart, and Robert Wynn, Esquires, Commissioners for the Sale of Lands in the Islands of Grenada, the Grenadines, Dominico, St. Vincent, and Tobago.

Extract of a Letter from Portsmouth, June 4.

"Lord Clive (with a large Retinue) arrived here between 10 and 11 last Night, embarked on board the Kent, for Bengal, this Afternoon, at six o'Clock, and sailed at four with a very fair Wind."

As an Instance how industriously the French carry on their Fishery, a Correspondent from Bordeaux writes, that since the first of March last 19 Sail, full loaded, have arrived in that Port from Newfoundland, all belonging to Merchants of that Place; and they have had equal Success at Rochelle and Havre.

The Right Hon. the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have been pleased to appoint William Spry, L. L. D. and one of the Advocats at Doctors Commons, to be Judge of the Court of Vice Admiralty over all America.

June 6. It is reported that a Squadron of Ships of War, with an Admiral, will be sent speedily to the East-Indies, to relieve those already there.

A Printing Press, and all necessary Materials, are now getting ready to be shipped for Pensacola.

June 7. Yesterday Morning the Success, Peterson, from Virginia, arrived off Dover.

They write from Toulon, of the 17th ult. that they were fitting out, with great Expedition, the Heronelle Ship of War, two Frigates, and three Xibets, supposed to be against the Salatinis.

The Reverend Mr. Estick's Trial with the Messengers is put off until the Sittings after next Term, occasioned by the Defendants moving the Court on Monday last to attend their Pleas, which was granted.

June 9. Yesterday a great Quantity of Ammunition and Warlike Stores were shipped at the Tower Wharff for Pensacola, as was also a large Quantity of Household Furniture of all Sorts, for the Use of the new Settlers going thither.

Letters from Leghorn, by the Wednesday's Flanders Mail, bring Advice, that 18 Ships were arrived there in 10 Days with Grain, which had reduced the Price greatly, and would occasion considerable Losses by its Fall to the Merchants.

By the extraordinary Preparations now making on board the two Frigates fitting out at Deptford for Sea, each of whom is to carry ten Anchors, besides a Number of Iron Chains and Cables, several Copper Ovens, a large Quantity of Flour, and Tents, with several Watches of a new Construction; it is thought they are going to make some Observations for determining the Longitude. It seems they are intended for a long Voyage, being both furnished with Copper.

The Hon. Col. Tryan is appointed Lieut. Governor of North-Carolina, and will soon embark for that Place.

BOSTON, July 19.

Dr. Richard Terrick, Bishop of Peterborough, not Dr. Warburton, is translated to the See of London.—Dr. Lamb, Dean of Peterborough, is nominated Bishop of Peterborough.—Dr. Tarrant, Dean of Carlisle, is appointed Dean of Peterborough.—Dr. Bourn (Author of the Complete Justice of Peace and Ecclesiastical Law) is to succeed to the Deanship of Carlisle.

There are now in the Harbour of Boston, the following Vessels in his Majesty's Service, for the Protection of Trade, viz. The Fortune, of 14 Guns, Capt. Bishop. The Cygnet, of 18 Guns, Capt. Leslie. The Jamaica, of 14 Guns, Capt. Burden. The Magdalene, of 8 Guns, Capt. Dougdale.

We hear that six other Frigates are ordered for America, besides those which are already here, and were soon to sail from England, for Halifax, to join Lord Colville.

PORTSMOUTH (in New-Hampshire) July 13.

A more exact and circumstantial Account of the Death of Mr. Shirley, who was killed by Lightning about a fortnight ago, is as follows:—

Mr. James Shirley of Chester, aged 32 Years, a Bachelor, walking by the Side of his Horse, which was led by one Mr. Miller, was instantaneously struck dead by a Flash of Lightning, which proceeded from a small Cloud then rising: The Electric Stream was observed by Persons who were a few Rods distant to fall on his Head: It tore his Hat into many Pieces, felled some of his Hair, then entered his Head just over his right Temple, opened an Orifice to the Skull Bone of about half an Inch diameter; (the Skull Bone not broke) it discoloured the right Side of his Neck, and then proceeded in a right Line across his Breast, down to his left Pocket in his Breeches. It is worthy of Notice, that he had two Dollars in his Pocket, by which the Fire was attracted; the Edges of which were melted, and the Paper which lay near them scorched; from thence it ran down his Leg, scorched the Inside of his Stock, broke his Buckle which was Steel, tore a small Hole in the Foot of his Stocking, and thro' the Sole of his Shoe, and from thence furrow'd the Ground, and split a small Rock near by.—The Horse above-mentioned was killed.

Mr. Miller, who led him, had the Bridle on his Arm, which was goug'd, and much torn in many Places, yet said Miller was sensible of no Hurt excepting in his Knee and Leg. Mr. Shirley's Countenance was not much altered, nor was the Smell of Sulphur very perceptible. Man knows not his Time.

NEW-LONDON, July 20.

By a Vessel from Antigua, we hear that Admiral Tyrrel, was gone from thence to the Islands ceded to the French by the late Treaty, to facilitate the Departure of the English Merchants from said Island.

Twelve Men of War, besides Admiral Tyrrel, were at Antigua about 30 Days ago.

The Account of an English Map of War's going into Turk's Islands, demolishing the Fortifications which the French had erected there, and killing 28 of them, is lately published, is, we hear, premature.

NEWPORT, July 25.

One Day last Week, a Shark of a very large Size, was

JOHN BOYD, & Co. Store, lately erected in

Universal ASSORTMENT of Chemicals, Galvanic, &c. Window Glais, &c.

Form those Gentlemen who wish to undertake, but find of an immediate Convey- Place. That we can at any to nominate, or with Me- who have engaged to such Orders, with the great

PUBLIC VENDUE, by Premises, on Wednesday the Inst. for Sterling Cash, Bills and Pieces of Eight at

City of Annapolis No. 61, of John Ducker, and a 21796 Feet, whereon is a Dwelling-House, with two and a good Brick Cellar also a good Kitchen, Meat- and a large and convenient and large Oven in it, all is a new Pump Well in the which is excellent: This Lot of safe for 63 Years, renewable 2 a Ground-Rent of 4l. 5s. and, it Rents at present for current Money per Year.

of said Month, will be ex- Premises, the MILL situated North-Run, about seven Miles the main Road that leads from the Stream of Water is the Mill, and inferior to few or there are 20 Acres of Land, most of which is fine, rich, meadowing. Of raising Hemp: sometime past been lying still, am's being broke by a vast Gear is all new and good, be immediately put in Order, of working by the Day of Sale. Disputable, and Conveyances, by John Ducker, and HENRY HALL.

derick County, June 12, 1764: the SUBSCRIBER, is on Wednesday the 22d of August of Mr. Arthur Charlton in for Bills of Exchange, or

TRACT of LAND, called containing 690 Acres, lying in Frederick-Town, contiguous to the of Mr. Miller and George Gault, belonging to well, and some Parts of it capable good Meadow.

able to know the Title, be- may be informed, by apply- ROBERT PETER.

by the SUBSCRIBER, of LAND, or thereabouts, of Bush-River, in Baltimore Tuesday in August Inst. at 7 o'Clock situated for a Warehouse. RICHARD RICHARDSON.

February 1, 1764. ment published in the Maryland Date April 6th, 1763, in- of the Loan-Office, That and discharged their respec- Thirtieth Day of July last, they to which little Regard has BEFORE the Commissioners notice, That they will immedi- Suing out Executions upon all them as Trustees of the Loan- and that they will continue so w ands are paid off, the Time for clearing the whole Business being per Order. R. COUDEN, CL P. C. Office.

-Street. All Persons of a moderate Ones in Proportion.