ARTLAND GAZETTE.

DECEMBER 27, 1787.

HAGUE, Oasber 4.

Y letters from Amsterdam received this morning, affairs seem to be much as B they were in that city: The Burgoma-Hers and council of that capital have thought proper to declare to the burgers, that, to prevent the inevitable ruin of the lace and its inhabitants, they have been obliged order their deputies to acquiesce in all that the ther members of the province require, even the dismission of the new regents.

LONDON, October 2.

th cordage and Extract of a letter from Whitehaven, September 25. " A very heavy equinoctial gale came on here aft Thursday night, and continued for several hours, ts course was variable, but chiefly from the S. S. E. and it was particularly violent from about two to our on Friday morning, accompanied with rain. at twelve o'clock on Friday, a phænomenon, not seen by the oldest person living, presented itself in this arbour. It was then the time of low water, and cet out of twelve; the most flood that is known in if the weather should become severe." he present neap state of the tides. (At spring tides trifes to eighteen feet.) At the same time the vater mark, at the extremity of the Old Quay, was covered at eight feet and a half.

"We have fimilar accounts from Harrington, Workington and Maryport; and we are also informd that the tide, on that day, did not leave the river

Esk, at Ravenglais. " We are forry to add, that this storm has occaoned a great and melancholy loss in the Isle of dann, the particulars of which are variously reheed: but the following account we have reason to

believe is nearest the truth: "The great take of herrings on Wednesday night upwards of 7,000 maze being brought into Douglas Thursday morning) induced the people concerned the fishery to send out all the boats that evening; ome reports fay three hundred, which is not improable, as Douglas is the general rendezvous of all clonging to the island. The gale from S. S. E. ame on about ten o'clock, and increasing with unommon violence, the whole firet, which had got to he fishing station, and had made some considerable raughts, hauled in their nets and stood for Douglas. me of them got safe in: but one of them unfortuately striking against the perch from which the light as suspended (the quay and light-house being at telent in ruins) it tell down, and the rest of the prived of the light, in their attempt to enter the arbour, ran foul of each other. Four were lost by is of lives and property could not be ascertained Sandwich is ready. then the packet left Douglas on Sunday night. It "The marines have discontinued duty in this pats were lost at Douglas, three were put ashore in ready for that purpose. ands lost; and twenty-eight on shore near Ramsey, Sheerness."

copie in the utmost distress." 08. 4. Lord Amherst, should a war take place, fill be appointed commander in chief of the army. Orders have been issued for carop equipage for 2000 men, which will be sent to Germany in conurnished on the same conditions, and those will be

ery foon ready for fea. The French are out of all patience with their new formed; orders are however, now issued for the march of a large body of troops, which has been long in readiness.

Several sail of large transports, with various stores on board, fell down the river, in order to proceed to Portsmouth, from whence they are to be conveyed by two frigates for the West-Indies.

Extract of a letter from Nimeguen, September 25. "The Orange family having left the Ducal palace in this city, makes it, all on a sudden, very dull, Hippolamme, of 64 guns; Le Hannibal, of 50, Le as the whole family are now removed to the Hague. Saggittare, Corneulle, Cabot, and Destin frigates, There is a garrison remaining here chiefly Dutch, with a few Prussian auxiliaries; the latter of whom are expected to leave us shortly. It is assured, that whatever betides the public affairs, the prince, or some of his family, will make this their place of residence some months in the year, on account of the lovalty the neighbourhood displayed on every occasion."

Extract of a letter from Dunkirk, September 28.

"The French continue with the work at this place, but it goes on flowly, and must be many years vessels which, in the ordinary course of the in finishing, unless more expedition is used. The bb, should have been left dry, were surrounded camp at Givet, according to the last accounts, rewith water, and many towards the lower part of the main in statu quo, no movements whatever having arbour, were yet a float. On inquiry, it was been made; but it is said they will go into winter ound that the tide had not fallen more than three cantonments on the foot about November, or earlier,

Extract of a letter from Portsmouth, September 27. sea as ever sailed from this port, and every ship well manned, and most of the pressed men have entered, on being promised that their wages and prize money should be regalarly paid them; but it is generally believed here, that we shall have no war, as it is well known that the French are not able to engage with so powerful a navy as we have at this time. However, we are told by some officers who are arrived here from London, that in a few days it will

be determined, whether we shall have war or peace." The surrender of Amsterdam may be expected very foon, it it has not taken place already. They must now be convinced, that they have no assistance to expect from France, and their internal strength can never oppose such an army as the duke of Brunswick can send against the place.

Extrast of a letter from Dover, Ostober 2.

" Saturday last a skirmish happened here between a body of failors and a preis gang, when several were much bruised on both sides. In the upshot the sailors proved victorious, and so made their escape for in consequence of which they retired. the time; but about two hours after they all entered, and received his majelly's bounty."

Extract of a letter from Chatham, October 1.

" Yesterday orders were received here for the fireships, to be fitted for sea at this port, with the greatest expedition.

as only known that three boats foundered on the yard, and their guardhouse is employed as a tempo-

eral seven men each; and some sew of a larger kind 29th of July, contains the sollowing particulars of den. ight or nine. Twenty-fix dead bodies had been an event that happened in the month of May, in the aft up at Douglas, and it is feared the number of neighbourhood of Stadhausen, in the bailage of ter to the colonel de Matha, urging him to furreneople which perished would amount to fixty or se- Sprichingen:-" Near the place through which the der the place. enty. It is, however, hoped, this calculation may little river Sclichen passes, there is a chain of mounxceed the truth, it being probable that some of the tains, named Henberg, of which about 24 years ago pats yet missing, may have run for ports on the some parts separated themselves, filled up a valley, he darkness of the night, the fury of the tempest, long the top, and there rolled down some enormous tene truly shocking and lamentable; and the event, continue falling, and the rubbish has already covered elides bringing a severe loss on the community at the best part of the forest. It has been observed, rge of that place, will involve numbers of poor that in the space of half an hour the ground has rethemfolves, their houses, and their vines."

Accounts from Vienna fay, that the emperor has ormity to our present treaty with Prussa, in case of just issued a circular letter, commanding all the offiwar with France, twenty fail of the line are to be cers and soldiers belonging to the hereditary regiments, to repair immediately to their respective com-

Advices from Prague say, that the utmost exertion civillers, for fuffering the king of Prussia to advance is now using in repairing and augmenting the fortifimolested into Holland, which they affert might cations and works of that city, as an attack is expecthave been prevented by affembling the fo much ed by a large army of Turks, which is now collecting alked of eamp et Givet, which has never yet been on the borders of Transylvania.

Extras of a letter from Cherburg, September 29. Yesterday an express arrived from Paris, with orders to mount the guas on the batteries, as well as to mount the two king's ships that have been all the fummer in the road, and to prepare for war, by obliging the people to work on the same."

Extrast of a letter from St. Maloes, September 29. "An order is this moment arrived here to equip the following thips of war with all expedition, Le which are, as we expect, intended for a squadron of observation in the channel. Sailors are preparing to man them."

Nothing carries a greater appearance of war than the orders given the government for putting fire ships into commission, it being very unusual to equip those vessels till the last moment of a sleet sailing for actual service.

The 17th, 43d, 44th, and 55th regiments, have received orders from the war-office to hold themselves in readiness for foreign service.

Extract of a letter from Portsmouth, October 3. "His majesty's ships fitting out here go on with great rapidity, and begin to get a great number of hands on board, and seldom a day passes but we have a hundred or two from one place or another."

Just as this paper was going to press, Lloyd's Evening Post says, We have received the papers We have as fine a fleet of men of war ready for from Holland and Flanders, by which we learn, that the negotiation between the duke of Brunswick and the Amsterdam deputies, having failed of success, the out-posts of the city of Amsterdam were on Monday last at three o'clock attacked by the Prussian troops; that about five the firing was very brisk, and continued so till seven, when the Prussian troops were repulsed in three different places, and retreated in disorder; that their loss, however, as well as that of the Amsterdamers, was not known.

The following is faid to be an exact account of what passed before Naerden, when the Prossian general Compte de Balckruet summoned that city to surrender:

At nine in the morning, the colonel Baron de Matha, commandant of Naerden, received an account that a troop of huffars were advanced under the cannon of the place. The baron reconnoitered this troop himself from the ramparts, and ordered two cannon to be fired upon them, upon which a trumpet of the enemy founded the fignal to retreat

About eleven o'clock a peafant brought the colonel de Matha a letter, requesting a conference; which being agreed to, the compte de Balckruet sent the baron de Schulenbourg, a captain in his regiment, cet, which was by far the principal part of it being Brune frigate of 32 guns, and Incendiary and Pluto who entered the city blindfolded, and was conducted to the baron de Matha. He summoned the place. The colunel de Matha resused to give it up, and is means, and some were put on shore on St. Ma- "The Princess Amelia, of 84 guns, is ordered to said, "that he would defend it as a man of honour, 's Rock, and some soundered. The extent of the be sitted for the reception of impressed men, till the and never surrender it without orders." After much parlying on the subject, which was carried on both fides with the greatest decency and much modera. tion, it was concluded upon, that the place should erring bank, and the crews perished. Twenty-five rary reception for impressed seamen, till a ship is not be attacked before ten in the evening—a time the baron de Matha demanded, in order to make his e creeks between that port and Laxey, and all "A fireship is likewise ordered to be fitted at report, and to gain time for the arrival of the regiments of Van-der-Borch and de Vyn, and also of 50 ut only one man perished. The boats carry in ge- A letter from Obnernasen, in Austria, dated the French commoners, then on their route to Naer-

At half past nine a trumpet brought another let-

To which the colonel de Matha gave this answer.

"The orders I have received, direct and require part of Scotland; from whence, admitting their and covered a great reach of woods and fields. The me to defend the place by every means in my power. lety, no intelligence could then have been received. 14th of last May the same mountain cracked all a- Colonel Van Ryssel, who is arrived here, will be charged with the defence of it. He begs me to annd the shricks of the unfortunate men, made the rocks. Ever fince that time, the earth and stones swer you in his name, having held the first parly with baron de Schulenbourg. I should desire as much as the compte or any other person to save my country if I could. Highly flattered with the obligmoved itself full ren inches. The 17th of the same ing personal compliment you have made me, I canmonth, the cracks were lengthened for near 20 feet. not forbear testifying my sensibility by assurances of The poor inhabitants are in the utmost anxiety for the distinguished consideration with which I have the honour to be,

"LE BARON DE MATHA." Naerden, September 17.

The city surrendered after a trifling desence! OA. 5. Wednesday the commissioners of the navy bought two large ships, built at Withy, of 560 tons burthen, which are to be immediately brought to Deptford, and fitted out as naval flore ships.

O.S. 6. Wednesday noon the commissioners of the victualing-office contracted at their office in Someriet place, for 50,000 gallons of Well-India

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