

two ran off a-head, and in the Engagement two others got quite away to Leeward. The Boscawen falling a-stern to take care of the 3 Prizes, we gave chase to the other two, which we soon came up with, one after another, and obliged to strike.

Ships Names and Force.

Le Duc de Guineea, — — —	Guns 18	Men 64	} taken
La Belle Louise, — — —	14	43	
St. Andrew, — — —	10	40	
St. Abraham, — — —	14	46	
La Victoire, — — —	6	16	
La ——— Maria, — — —	14	64	
Le Marianne, Peillot, — — —	—	—	} escaped.
Le Prince d'Orange, Touronde. — — —	—	—	

The three first, and the Ship that sunk, were of Bourdeaux; and the other Prizes belonged to Nantz. There was also a 9th came out in Company with them from Martinico, but being the best Sailer left them.

PHILADELPHIA, August 15.

By a Gentleman from Virginia we learn, that there is a Ship arrived in Potomack, after a short Passage, from London, by which a Gentleman there writes to his Correspondent, that the Dutch Mail was just arrived, and brought Advice, that the King of Prussia has entered into an Accommodation with the Queen of Hungary.

Last Week a Vessel arrived at Newcastle, in seven Weeks from Ireland, and has brought Prints to the 11th of June, one of which, we hear, mentions the Grand Duke of Tuscany's being elected Emperor.

ANNAPOLIS.

By a Letter from Philadelphia dated August 17, we are informed that they have English Papers in Town to the 12th of June, which do not confirm the News of an Accommodation between the King of Prussia and the Queen of Hungary; on the contrary, that there has been a Battle in Silesia between Prince Charles and the King of Prussia, in which both Sides claim the Victory; but as the Prussians are every where retiring before the Austrians, it is concluded they had the worst of it.

The same Letter adds, that the Duke of Lorraine was reported to be elected Emperor; and that it was certain he had the Promise of seven Votes.

Extract from the Votes and Proceedings of the Lower House of Assembly.

August 7. P. M. The following Address was presented: To his Excellency Thomas Bladen, Esq; Governor of Maryland; The Humble Address of the House of Delegates of the said Province.

May it please your Excellency,

T appearing to this House, that there hath been assessed and levied, by Order of your Excellency and Council, the Sum of one Pound of Tobacco, on every taxable Person within this Province; and to enforce the Collection thereof, an Execution hath been put into the Hands of the respective Sheriffs: But inasmuch as it is not known to this House, by what Power or Authority your Excellency and their Honours have done the same, we humbly pray your Excellency will please to order to be laid before this House, the Authority by which the said Tax hath been assessed, levied, and Execution issued for the same.

EDWARD SPRIGG, Speaker.

August 12. P. M. The following Address was presented: To his Excellency Thomas Bladen, Esq; Governor of Maryland; The Humble Address of the House of Delegates of the said Province.

May it please your Excellency,

WE beg leave to represent to your Excellency, that as the several Naval Officers of this Province do, by virtue of several Acts of Assembly, collect large Sums of Money for the

Use of the Public, we pray your Excellency will be pleased to acquaint us whether they give any Bond for the due Execution of their Trusts in such their Offices, and if any, where lodged: As also to cause the same, or authentic Copies thereof, to be laid before this House.

EDWARD SPRIGG, Speaker.

August 13. A. M. Mr. Speaker communicates to the House the following Message from his Excellency the Governour:

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

YOU have now sat above a Week, and no Bill has yet been offered to me, or by what I can find, sent to the Upper House for the Purpose I so earnestly recommended at our first Meeting, and which brought us together at this Season of the Year: This Delay is the more extraordinary, as you have, in your Address in Answer to my Speech at the Opening of this Session, made the greatest Professions of Loyalty to our gracious Sovereign, and Zeal to the common Cause; and you cannot but know, that the greatest Dispatch is absolutely necessary, to render whatever you shall think fit to contribute, of real Use. This is a Truth not to be denied, and therefore it is that I postpone the mentioning any other Matter to you, 'til we shall have discharged our Duty upon this Point; which might very easily have been done in two or three Days. I am sensible that what is past cannot now be remedied, and that all I can do is to remind you of your Duty; therefore, I earnestly exhort you, as you regard his Majesty's Honour and Service, and your own Reputation, to discharge it without farther Loss of Time.

T. BLADEN.

August 15. A. M. The following Address was presented: To his Excellency Thomas Bladen, Esq; Governor of Maryland; The Humble Address of the House of Delegates of the said Province.

May it please your Excellency,

WHATEVER Construction you are pleased to put upon our Actions, we assure you, that our unfeigned Loyalty to his Majesty will never permit us to give the least Delay to any thing that relates to his Service, and this is apparent by the early and unanimous Resolve of our House, to raise a Sum of Money for the Support of his Garrison at Cape-Breton: And accordingly a Bill to that End is in as great Forwardness as the subject matter would admit, and will with the utmost Expedition be sent to the Upper House. Were we inclined to think of any other than a fair and upright Behaviour in your Excellency, we conceive there is equal Room to suspect a Delay on your Part; as you have had before you our Address relating to the Authority by which your Excellency and his Lordship's Council have Levied upon the People One Pound of Tobacco per Poll, near as long as the Affair for Support of Cape-Breton hath been under our Consideration, and we should think it less difficult for your Excellency to say by what Authority that Tobacco was levied, than it is for us to find out ways and means effectually to answer the Service of his Majesty with the greatest Ease to the People.

As what we are about to do for the Service of our most gracious Sovereign, is the Result of our own free Will, we are determined not to be diverted from that method of Proceeding, whereby we hope to render it most useful and agreeable.

EDWARD SPRIGG, Speaker.

August 16. P. M. Mr. Speaker communicates to the House the following Message from his Excellency the Governour:

Gentlemen of the Lower House of Assembly,

WERE I to judge of your Address by the Reasoning, Language and Style of it, I should put no other Construction upon it, but that you were at a loss how to discharge the Service you are met upon, and that you were resolved to treat me with the utmost Indecency and ill Manners, nearly to furnish yourselves with a Pretence, that you were diverted from