

Highness entered that Town, and was saluted by a triple Discharge of the great Guns from the Castle, which he had so seasonably relieved.

Such a speedy Deliverance to the South part of Scotland was beyond Expectation; and the inimitable Bravery of his Royal Highness, who has freed the better Half of North-Britain from Oppression, Slavery, Rapine, and Blood, in the short Space of three Days, will be ever gratefully acknowledged by all the friends of Liberty.

The gallant Defence which General Blakeney had made of Sterling Castle, reflects the highest Honour on that Gentleman, as it was so important a Service to this Country, and tended to weaken and discourage the Rebels. It is pretty certain, that during the Siege he kill'd 500 of them.

The Rebels publish'd a Proclamation at Sterling, offering a Reward to any who would discover the Author of that damnable Lie, that the Person commonly called the Duke of Cumberland, was arrived in Scotland: So apprehensive they were that their Army would fly, on the Approach of that illustrious young Hero.

The Hazard Sloop sailed from Montrose on the 27th of last Month, and is supposed to be gone to the Northward, to take up the Pretender's Son somewhere; possibly about the Place where he landed.

It is reported, that one or two more French Ships have lately arrived, with Money and military Stores, at Peter-head; of which, and the Flight of the Rebels towards the East Coast, Intelligence has been sent to Admiral Byng.

Feb. 12. On Sunday last was apprehended at the Castle of Drummond, the Duchess Dowager of Perth, and came to this City Yesterday in a Coach, attended only by her Gentlewoman and guarded by a Troop of Dragoons; she was committed prisoner to the Castle, as is likewise the Viscountess of Strathallan.

Monday last several of the Ministers of this City, and Presbytery, went to the Abbey of Holy-Rood House, to congratulate his Highness the Prince of Hesse on his Arrival here.

Bristol, Jan. 4. Last Friday was brought into Blackney in Norfolk, the Duchess Penthièvre Privateer, Capt. Gabriel Andibert, in a shattered Condition, having lost all her Masts and Sails. She was taken off Calais by the York Privateer, Capt. Grosvenor.

L O N D O N.

January 4. One of the Cruizers belonging to Admiral Vernon's Squadron, has sunk a large French Sloop Privateer, within a Quarter of a Mile of Boulogne.

The Industry Privateer, belonging to Granville (a Sea-Port in the Province of Normandy in France) of six 12 Pounders, four of 6 Pounders, and 6 Swivel Guns, having 105 Men on board, is taken by the Jamaica Sloop of War, and brought into Mount's Bay, in Cornwall.

Jan. 14. Two Dutch Ships, from Galway for Amsterdam, were taken by the French, and carried into Dunkirk.

The Ipswich, Goodlie, from Virginia to London, and the Alexander from Boston, are taken and carried into Bayonne.

Jan. 15. The Essex, Ellis, from Virginia for London, is taken by the French, and carried into St. Malo's.

Jan. 16. The Three Brothers, Johnson, from Maryland for London, is taken and carried into St. Sebastian's.

Admiralty Office, Jan. 22. Capt. Cote of his Majesty's Ship the Edinburgh, who arrived at the Cape of Good Hope the Night before a

ham, with part of the Trade from Newfoundland, arrived there the 25th of December, N. S. and the next Day the Helder, Capt. Cornwall, arrived there with the Remainder:

Feb. 3. We hear that a Spanish Register Ship is taken by one of our Men of War, and carried into Gibraltar.

Feb. 6. Yesterday came Advice, that the Hannibal Privateer of Bristol was sunk, after a stout Engagement, by a French Man of War of 70 Guns; 6 of the Privateer's Hands were killed in the Engagement, and the rest were taken up by the Man of War and carried into Brest.

St. James's, February 10. This Day his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, and the Right Honourable the Earl of Harrington, resigned into his Majesty's Hands the Seals of their respective Offices of principal Secretaries of State.

'Tis said the Right Honourable Henry Pellam, Esq; will resign, as Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Also, that the Earl of Winchelsea will be appointed one of the Secretaries of State,

Sir John Bernard Chancellor of the Exchequer, And The Earl of Carlisle First Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty.

Feb. 11. Letters from Edinburgh say, that the Pretender's Son is so ill of a Flux, that at the Time he quitted Sterling, he was so weakened as not to be able to move, but by the Assistance of two People that supported him; whence it is concluded that we shall soon hear he is either dead or taken.

They add likewise, that some Persons of great Distinction, considering the Situation into which, by their own Temerity and Folly, they have brought themselves, have resolved to surrender to the King's Officers as they advance Northward, and throw themselves on the Royal Mercy.

It is said that there will not be any British Troops sent abroad, till such Time as the Dutch shall declare War against France.

We hear from Paris, that the Countenance of great Distinction strangely altered of a sudden, on Advice, that the young Pretender, instead of being a Conqueror, is deserted by his Army, and has hid himself in some obscure Part in the North of Scotland, till he can find a safe Passage over to France. They are at the same Time advertised, that the Germans, by several Marches, will soon be assembled together in Brabant, in order to attack Count Saxe in his Trenches. And from Italy, that the Allied Army, instead of acting offensively, are preparing to retreat into the Genoese Territories. No Body dare inform the King of all this bad News. Cardinal Tencin is retired into his Chamber, and has given Orders, that none but M. de Argenson be admitted: They are all in Consternation at this sudden Change, and wait impatiently the certainty of the News.

Our last Advices from Stirling assure us, 350 Deserters from Lord John Drummond's Regiment, were come into that Place, and that Jenny Cameron, who has been of late so much talked of, is actually a Prisoner there.

Feb 17. On Tuesday was held a Board of Admiralty, at which, as we are inform'd, a Resolution was taken to send out two Ships of 50 Guns, two of 40, and three of 20 Guns each, to cruise before St. Malo, and in the Bay of Biscay, for the Safety of the British Commerce, which has suffered exceedingly of late, especially within these two Months past.

We hear, that Lord John Gordon has just returned from his voyage to the Cape of Good Hope, and that he has just arrived at the Cape of Good Hope, and that he has just arrived at the Cape of Good Hope.

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Feb. 18. Cap. Michol being appointed a Commodore of a Squadron of Men of War in the Downs, Admiral Mordaunt has Flag in the Princess Louisa on Friday last.