

anced on him; when to the Surprize of the Court, he produced an Order for all that he did, signed by those who had the power of directing him.

127 Dutch Vessels, caught 646 Whales. 16 Hamburg Whales, caught 60 Whales. 3 Altena Vessels, caught 7 Whales. Bremen Vessels, caught 12 Whales. 2 Embden Vessels, caught 7 Whales. Besides which, 37 Dutch Vessels, and 1 Hamburg, were employed in the same Fishery in Davis's Straights, where they have caught 135 Whales, making in all 27, which is 289 less than they took last Year.

The States of Frabant are assembled, in order to raise a Sum of two Millions of Florins, which was demanded of them some time ago, by his most Excellent and most Christian Majesty.

October 17. *Extract of a private Letter from Williamstadt, October 20.*

The Magistrates of Rotterdam have petitioned the Prince of Orange to sell all the Places which become vacant in their Department, to the best Bidder; and that the Purchasers may pay for Money into the public Treasury, for the use of the State, during the present Troubles; and 'tis imagined the other Cities and Towns throughout the United Provinces will do the same.

By Letters this Morning from the Hague we learn, that notwithstanding all the Foreign Ministers were preparing to set out for Aix la Chapelle, most of them having already changed their minds; yet, as the Queen of Hungary seems very desirous of seeing that Place exchanged for Liege, it is thought her Request will be complied with, and that the Congress will be sitting about a Fortnight.

The same Letters say positively, that the King of Sardinia refused marching his Troops with those of the Queen of Hungary to Naples; since which they both agreed to lay siege to Genoa, and that, agreeable thereto, they were preparing to march their Army towards that City.

The Reports that have been spread in Town, of some new disturbances in Scotland, are said to have been occasioned by letters written from that Country, mentioning the Return of several High and Chiefs since the Act of Indemnity, who seem to be full of Money, and it was believed had not improved their copies guarded in their Travels. But as the Chain is at present very quiet, there is no Reason to apprehend any Disorders in that Part.

Some private Letters from the Hague say, that a certain General Officer has been sentenced to lose his Head, but that as yet it is not known whether that Sentence will be confirmed, or the execution of it some way staid.

On Wednesday in the Afternoon, the Hudson's Bay Company received the agreeable News, that their four Ships excepting Hudson's Bay, were safely arrived in Yarmouth Road.

The Lords of the Admiralty have ordered six Twenty Gun Ships to be built with all Expedition, and to be called the Prince of Orange, Prince William Henry, Prince Nassau, Rufus, King, and Herring.

NEW-YORK, February 29.

A sloop Don Lopez, Ralph Thurman master, of this port, fled from Antigua, was chased ashore by an enemy's privateer, on the 4th of January last, near midnight, on the south-east side of Barbuda: The vessel and cargo entirely lost; and the mening with difficulty to shore; the privateer had chased her part of the day before: Capt. Thurman and his men after got a passage to Antigua, and from thence arrived last week, by way of Lewes on Delaware, in company with Capt. Bevan, of the Speedwell privateer, of this port, who came away at Antigua. Capt. Thurman informs us, that he saw three other vessels ashore at Barbuda, a sloop and a cutter he supposed to belong to Boston, and a ship unknown. We have advice from the West-Indies, that Commodore Knowles was arrived at Barbados, with the King's ships, and that other vessels that sailed with him from Nantasket, were wrecked at the other English islands. That the fourth Day they sail'd from Boston, they met with a most terrible storm, which separated the fleet, and did great damage to the ships. And that an English privateer had taken and carried to Antigua, a vessel from Canada bound to Martinico, with 6 quintals of fish on board.

Extract from the Votes of the General Assembly of New-York, Decr. 7th 18th February, 1747 8.

Message from his Excellency by Mr. Banyar, Deputy Secretary; which being read, is in the Words following, viz.

ENDELEMEN,

Yesterday I received some letters from the frontiers, advising me of the designs of the enemy, Copies of which I have

order'd to be laid before you; and as I have given orders to employ a number of Indians and christians to go immediately as out-scouts, in order to discover the motions of the enemy, I recommend it to you to make provision for whatever expence may incur, on keeping out-scouts constantly employed, for the security of the frontiers. At the same time I have given orders to the Indian interpreter, to go among the nearest nations of Indians, to prepare them for our assistance; and to get what farther informations he can, concerning the truth of the intelligence I have now received; and shall take all the proper steps in my power to frustrate the attempts of the enemy.

G. CLINTON.

Mr. Banyar likewise deliver'd to the house a copy of a letter from Lieutenant John Lindsay, to his Excellency, by express, dated at Osvego, the 22d of January, 1747, 8, acquainting his Excellency, that he had information from some Cajuga Indians, that there was an army preparing at Canada to invade the northern parts of this colony.

A copy of a letter from Col. Philip Schuyler, to his Excellency, dated at Albany, the 13th instant, giving the like intelligence.

And a copy of a letter from Philip Ryley, Gunsmith, among the Cajuga Indians, to Col. Johnson, dated at Cajuga, the 3d instant, giving the same information. Which being also read,

Ordered, That his excellency's message, and the several papers therewith delivered, be refer'd to the consideration of the committee to whom his Excellency's speech is committed.

PHILADELPHIA, March 8.

Last week arrived here Capt. Lisle from Antigua; by him there is advice, that twelve of the Martinico fleet have been carried into that port; eleven by the men of war, and one by the Brig. St. Stephen, of that island; That the men of war were on a cruise to windward of Martinico: And that the enemy's privateers are still very numerous, and take a great many vessels; one of which attacked Capt. Carr, in a ship from Boston, and boarded him twice, but he bravely clear'd his ship of them both times; then they boarded him the third time, when he likewise clear'd himself, and carried off twenty four of their negroes, that were left on board of him, with whom he got safe into Antigua.

The Brig. Samuel, Capt. Bowers, of this place, bound to Lisbon, was taken by a Spanish privateer; but some time after re-taken by the Squirrel man of war, and carried into Oporto.

ANNAPOLIS.

At the County Court held here last Week, a Negro Fellow was convicted of Burglary, and received Sentence of Death.

By a Gentleman from Philadelphia, we are inform'd, that as he came down from thence, a valuable Prize (taken near Santa Cruz, by the Privateer Pandour of Philadelphia) was going up the River. It was said he had on board 22000 Pieces of Eight, and two Chefts of wrought Plate; besides a vast Quantity of Bale Goods.

By his Excellency SAMUEL OGLE, Esq; Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland;

A P R O C L A M A T I O N.

Maryland, ff. **W**HEREAS, I have certain Intelligence, that the Governor of Canada has used all possible Endeavours, not only to induce the Indians in Alliance or Amity with the French, to make IncurSIONS into the British Colonies, and to destroy his Majesty's Subjects; but also to seduce the Indians of the Six Nations, and others, who have been our faithful Friends and Allies, from their Attachment and Friendship to his Majesty's Subjects, and to join with the French and their Indians, in our Destruction. In this Situation, Self-Preservation obliges us to prepare ourselves, in the best Manner we can, to oppose any Enterprize that may be formed against us, by our cruel and merciless Enemies, whose Hopes of Success depend on their Expectation to find us unprepared to resist them; of which we may depend (were we so infatuated as to neglect our own Safety) they would soon have Intelligence: Whereas, if we exert ourselves as we ought to do, in this dangerous and critical Juncture, it will not only discourage our Enemies, and contribute to deter them from attacking us, but also encourage all the Indians in Amity with us against our common Enemy.

I have therefore thought fit, with the Advice of his Lordship's Council of State, to issue this my Proclamation, hereby requiring and commanding all military Officers within this Province, to have the several Mea under their respective Com-

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