

MARYLAND GAZETTE

Containing the freshest Advices, Foreign and Domestic.

WEDNESDAY, January 17, 1750.

LEGHORN, September 6.

W I have advice from Corsica, that two deputies from the malecontents having waited on M. de Cursay, in the neighbourhood of Bastia, in order to fix the time of holding the Congress at this place, as formerly mentioned, the French general told them, that he had received orders from the King his master, not to meet them at Leghorn, but at Massa Carara. This answer so much displeased the chiefs, that they told him plainly, they would not go there.

Sept. 10. We are well assured, that the republic of Genoa, having requested from France an additional supply of forces to those already in Corsica, to the amount of 8000 men; the British court being inform'd thereof, have represented by their minister at Paris, the ill consequences of such a scheme, as it may embroil Italy in fresh troubles.

Sept. 12. The master of a Danish vessel, who arrived yesterday from Alicanti, brings advice, that as he was coming out of that port, he met the English squadron under the command of Mr. Keppel, reinforced by two fireships, steering for Algiers.

Vienna, Sept. 20. On Monday last the states of Lower Austria assembled; and the empress queen made a speech from the throne, wherein her Imperial majesty, solemnly confirmed all the privileges of the states; and declared that she had no new subsidy of any kind to demand, being quite satisfied with those which the states had formerly given for ten years.

Madrid, Sept. 15. The letters from Alicanti, of the 10th instant mention, that the two Spanish men of war, and the two xebecs, were returned to Carthagea from sounding the bay of Algiers; which they were two days performing under Dutch colours; but that when they had finished, they fired a gun and hoisted Spanish ensigns: That it was believed the ships and xebecs would be disarmed, as the bomb-ketches were already laid up.

It is wrote from Cadiz, that a vessel arrived there the 7th instant from Vera Cruz, and last from the Havanna, in sixty days, with advice, that the two men of war at Vera Cruz were to sail in the month of June with five millions of dollars; that two others were arrived at Carthagea; and that the said four men of war may be expected in Europe about the end of next month.

From the Paris A la main, September 22.

By letters from Genoa of the 11th instant, we are credibly inform'd, that there are such tumults and commotions amongst the populace of that city, on account of the bank of St. George, that 'tis much to be feared, that nothing less will be the consequence than a new revolt.

Last week several bills or papers were posted up in the corners of almost every street; and even cartels, or a kind of challenges, which were very bold and audacious, and full of invectives against the government, whereby they intimate what is expected to be done; and enjoin all their fellow citizens and others to keep up arms, on the forfeit of their lives; threatening further to plunder the effects of all such as shall decline to be aiding and assisting them in their designs.

On the night following several other cartels of the like rebellious nature were stuck up, but the authors cannot as yet be produced, notwithstanding the strictest search has been made, in order to find out the ringleaders of such a dangerous commotion.

As the noise is greatly increased amongst themselves, it is greatly to be feared, that these tumults will be increased by the contention parties.

Sept. 17. The directors or superintendants of the trade and commerce of this kingdom, having for some time past used their utmost endeavours to render the navigation to the East Indies as flourishing as possible, are deter-

mined to extend their views, and do all that in their power lies, in conjunction with France, to carry it even into America.

Amsterdam, October 2. A deputy from their high mightinesses situated at the court of directors of the West India company held this day, in order to deliberate upon the method which must be made use of, for presenting to his serene highness the prince stadholder the diploma of governor general of the West Indies, and of the colonies thereon dependent; as also upon the dividend which is proper to be made upon the actions of the said company.

Extract of a Letter from Hamburg, Sept. 18.

The late frequent conferences of Mr. Tidley with the ministers of Denmark, turned on the project of the English to establish a fishery in the Crocadick [Orkney] isles, and particularly Schetland. The court of Denmark pretends, that the English have no right of navigation in those seas, to the exclusion of the subjects of Denmark; but that on the contrary, these last possess that exclusive right, seeing these isles belong properly to the kingdom of Norway.

Extract of a Letter from Naples, August 30.

For some days past we have been in a continual alarm at the news, that a squadron of eleven Algerine xebecs was cruising within a league of this capital, of which the commandant's vessel was of 40 guns and 500 men, four of 30 guns and about 350 men, and the six others from 13 to 24 guns and at least 250 men; which squadron was not supposed to be come into these seas, without a design of executing some great project. And we learn by an English captain, who arrived here last Monday from Tunis, that having been met by the chief of the said squadron, named Agi Moussa (and who formerly belonged to our galleys), and detained by him two entire days, he had, during that time, discover'd that the corsairs intended to attempt some enterprise of eclat; and that the commandant, with his vessel only, had been in the night to reconnoitre the island of Procida, in order to know whether the king was, or would be there, to take the diversion of hunting pheasants, as his majesty is accustomed to do in this season. The arrival of this corsair in our seas has occasioned such an alarm, that for three days the inhabitants have abstained from going to take the fresh air on the sea coast, which is so agreeable at this time, for fear of being surprized by the Algerines. The government has taken divers precautions on this head, having sent detachments of troops into the castles and small neighbouring isles, and reinforced all the posts. Many light vessels have been sent out to watch their motions, and as they have not been seen for these two days, 'tis supposed the Barbarians have retired. Tho' many think, that as the weather will probably continue favourable a month longer in these parts, Agi Moussa will defer his retreat to Algiers, and for want of better employment, amuse himself with taking on the coasts of this kingdom, and Sicily, all the merchant ships which fall in his way.

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, Sept. 25.

Baron d'Aylva, appointed by their high mightinesses envoy extraordinary to the court of Sweden, after having been 3 months preparing for his departure, has now put off his journey sine die, which occasions various speculations with respect to the affairs of the North, in which there is great likelihood that their high mightinesses will avoid taking any part, as far as is possible, the present system of the republic being only to concern themselves about their domestic interests, 'til such time as they are in a more flourishing condition; and that the rather, they not being able to give a helping hand, as they have heretofore done, towards maintaining that balancé of power which has cost them so many blood and treasure, since the blessing of king William III. being thus removed upon the throne of Great Britain, so long as the republic continues, and a