

fort by the same number of men with 24 pounders, by which the crew, all but two men were retillerist of St. Andre can give an account for this oversight, for even to have been ignorant of the accident, it is the first time, that ship, the latter was taken for a

Feb. 27. The entire reduction of the city is the more acceptable to the nation, being effected without much loss, only 183 men, and out of which only 20 are reported to be in a brilliant and so cheaply purchased, could not but raise our spirits to a general wish that the fervency of our arms may be improved for the attempting some matter of great importance. The court seems to favor the nation and the formal siege of the city is absolutely resolved on.

### F R A N C E.

March 4. His Majesty's ship Leopard of 74 guns, built in the dock of Brest, will soon be put to sea—73 merchantmen were despatched in company with the frigate Mignonette, and the ice boat Coquette; this convoy took advantage of the favourable gale for Marseilles, whither it was escorted by the frigate Montreal, coming also from the Levant, his port to day; amongst the ships in the fleet, is a large Russian vessel from Constantinople.

On as the Suffisante is launched, another of the same strength is to be built in the same dock, and another of 74, where the lateur has been lately built. We hear that orders have been received incessantly in the building of ships of the line; which, with the formation of eleven ships to the number of present naval armaments. We also write from Brest, that the Admiral Boscawen's Squadron, the two missing ships of M. de Piquet's Squadron, are arrived safe at port, and have not so materially suffered as the Robuste and Pegase.

### L O N D O N, March 27

The following arrangements have been announced in the House of Commons this day, by motions made for new writs for members to serve in Parliament, in the room of the following Gentlemen:

Mr. Fox, Secretary of State.  
Mr. John Cavendish, Chancellor of the Exchequer.  
Mr. Burke, Paymaster of the Forces.  
Mr. Barré, Treasurer of the Navy.  
Mr. Hon. T. Townshend, Secretary of War.  
Mr. Dunning, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.  
Lord Althorpe, a Lord of the Treasury.  
Frederick Montague, ditto.  
Hon. James Grenville, ditto.  
Admiral Pigot, a Lord of the Admiralty.

A Portuguese vessel arrived in the Tagus from the Brazils, brings an account that the spoke with a Spanish vessel at sea, charged with dispatches for that court of a very important nature. As this vessel was bound from South America, it is imagined some fresh disturbances have happened in those settlements.

A gentleman lately arrived from Leghorn informs us, that it was the general opinion, when he left that city, that war would be declared in a few months at Constantinople. As the Divan had been for some time debating closely on some matter of public importance, vast levies had been made; the Janisaries and Sphaps had been augmented, and every preparation was making that could indicate a rupture either with the Russians or with the Emperor.

Extract of a letter from Plymouth, March 22. By letters received from Gibraltar, dated Feb. 29, we learn that the garrison has not been disturbed these four months by the gun-boats, and that the troops were in perfect health and spirits. There is no mention of 15 Scotch soldiers agreeing to give up the gate towards St. Roche to the Spaniards; which proves the accounts in the London papers, respecting such a transaction, to be without foundation.

The Rainbow of 44 guns, Capt. Trollope; Resilance 44, Capt. King; and Phaeton 38, Capt. Waldegrave, are ordered to be prepared for sea as fast as possible.

The following particulars were received last post, in a letter from Ostend, dated March 7.

"There is handed about in Paris, the substance as follows, of answers and representations given by Dr. Franklin, in a conversation he had lately with the French Minister upon American affairs.

"The doctor, in terms of the profoundest respect, testified the very great and just esteem Congress and himself had for his most Christian Majesty, his Ministers, and the whole French nation, with assurances of the strong and lasting sense of gratitude which ever would be retained by America for the ample & timely succours and support afforded them in loans, warlike stores, and in a military and naval force.

"That he was however, by his constituents, ordered explicitly to declare, that the terms of late insisted on by France were utterly inadmissible; that they never had been so much as glanced at in any of the prior or subsequent articles of treaty or agreement.

"He was likewise strictly enjoined to express the disapprobation of Congress, and their utter repugnancy to some hints offensively thrown out or suggested by the Ministers at Philadelphia, and flatter themselves they proceeded rather from Mons. Lucerne's private suggestions than from any orders from his court.

"He was instructed to represent to the court of France, with all the submission, but in terms of the utmost precision, that America, in terms of her lost blood, exhausted her

According to letters from Constantinople, of the 16th ult. they are sitting at that port 16 sail of the line, which are to be ready to sail by the beginning of May, they were to have sailed sooner, but on account of the Feast of Ramadam or Lent, which the Turks make a most religious observance of. Extract of a letter from Amsterdam, March 20, 1782.

"Admiral S. Dehker is appointed to the command of the Squadron in the Texel, that are under orders for the West Indies; he will have his flag on board the Admiral van Tromp of 50 guns; the other ships for that service are the Blays of 44 guns, Phoenix 40 Mademlic 36, Zwallus 28, and la Venus 24; a number of vessels will sail in this convoy; the men of war are to take on board troops for the garrison at Esclaria, which island, according to the treaty with France, (which stipulates an immediate cession of all places taken from the English) will be immediately given up; the Squadron for the North Coast will sail with the above from the Texel, and see them to a certain latitude, so that that fleet will be the largest sent to sea this war."

A letter from Constantinople, by the way of Holland, says, that the Emperor has sent orders to all parts of Turkey to raise forces as fast as possible, to discipline and supply them with arms, that they may be ready to march to his assistance, as he expected to be attacked by some Christian powers; and ships of war are ordered to be built in every port belonging to Turkey.

Extract of a letter from the Hague, March 18, 1782.

"According to private advices from Middleburgh, the alarm of the inhabitants had not subsided, and they were still under the greatest apprehension of a visit from the English, notwithstanding the recent arrival of a battalion of infantry, and forty six gunners from Bergenopzoom. By this means the island of Walcheren, of which Middleburgh is the capital, is at present protected by seven battalions of infantry, 60 horsemen, and 100 artillerymen, exclusive of several other detachments.

"A great number of the heaviest artillery are daily expected from Dort, a circumstance which seems to intimate, that the intention of the States is to erect some new batteries between Fleissingue and Rammeke, where the island is less fortified. This however, is not the wisest scheme that could have been adopted; the too great multiplicity of batteries still only serve to lessen the number of gunners who, even now, are hardly equal to the task of supplying the batteries."

### D U B L I N, April 2.

Last Sunday an express arrived at the castle from Whitehall, with an account of the ministerial arrangement, which left London last Tuesday morning.

By a letter from Leghorn, we learn, that the same privateer ship of war of Dublin, the Fame, Capt. Moore, said to be taken by the Spaniards, is safe arrived there.

Had no motives of real humanity and justice urged the acts that have lately passed in favour of Roman Catholics, it would have

### L I M E R I C K.

By a letter from Castlebar, we hear, that a few days since a Duel was fought there, between Counsellors Merriam and J. Swan, when the latter was mortally wounded by a Pistol Ball. The Ball had been extracted, but without any hopes of recovery to the unfortunate gentleman.

On the 25th of last Month, DIED, at his Lordship's House, in Grosvenor-square, London, the Lady of the Right Hon. Lord Viscount Courtney; she was possessed of the most unbounded charity, and will be an afflicting loss to his Lordship's numerous Tenantry, as well as to all who had the honour of her acquaintance.

The Governors and Governesses of the County of Limerick Infirmary, are requested to meet on Saturday next at 2 o'Clock, on several matters of Importance to the Charity.

DIED. A few days ago at Shannongrove, sincerely lamented, Mr. Henry Chrissy.

To be Sold by AUCTION, At Liscaunan, in the County of Clare, on the Shore of MALBAY.

On Monday the 15th Day of April Instant THE Hull, Masts, Rigging, and all the other Materials of the Ship INDUSTRY, of Three Hundred Tons, lately Stranded on that Coast, either together or in such Lots as may be agreed on, for Ready Money, or Good Bills at Thirty One Days. Malbay, April 1, 1782.

To be LETT Or the Interest SOLD, OF the House and Garden at the New-Road, leading to Parteen Causeway, the House consists of a Parlour, three Lodging Rooms, and a large Kitchen and Cellar; its situation is most beautiful, commands a fine prospect of the River; the Garden is well cropped, and consists of a variety of Fruit trees in full bearing. There is a good Stable and Turf-house ready for Roofing, joining the House. Apply to RALPH JAMES, Burgeis. April 4.

To be Sold by AUCTION For READY MONEY, At PARK HOUSE,

On Monday the 8th Day of April next, THE entire Furniture of said House, consisting of four Pill Bedsteads, mounted with English Cotton and Moscovy, best Feather Beds, and curled Hair Mattresses; a large Assortment of the finest English Blankets, with Wilton and Common Carpets; two complete Sets of Tablét Ornamental and Tea China; several Services of Queen's Ware, Kitchen Furniture of all Kinds, and a remarkable fine Jack; a large Quantity of the most Fashionable Plain, and a Ladies Car that holds Six, with other Cars, Dung Pots, Trunks, Ladders, empty Hogsheads, Tubs, and Dairy Utensils; a Quantity of Choice Cyder, and many Grids of empty Bottles; elegant Fowling Pieces; a large Quantity of Old Hay, with a Variety of Articles in the Farming Way, too long for an Advertisement.

N. B. Not any of the Furniture will be removed, but every Article put up in Auction, will be ready for the Convenience of the Company. March 28, 1782.

COUNTY OF TIPPERARY. To be Set from the first Day of May next, for the Term of Seventeen Years, provided JOSHUA MINNITT a Minor, so long lives, the Lands of ANNABEG, containing 140A. 3R. 15P. Also, part of the Lands of BALLYARTELLA, containing 200A. 1R. both now held by Mr. JOHN MINNITT of the same Grounds.