

An expedition it is said, is planned against Martinico, the capture of which island would tend, more than any other measure, to annihilate the French navy in that part of the globe. The following is the exact state of the British navy in ships of the line at this time in commission.

If the East Indies, or on the way	16
West Indies, and ditto	38
Island of Jamaica	7
Coasting home with convoy,	3
In port, or now fitting for sea	43
Guard ships at the Nore	2
Ditto at Cork	1
Cruising for different purposes	3
At Gibraltar, on the 10th curt.	1
On the Lisbon station	2

Total 116

Besides which there are repairing 12
Building and nearly ready 7

In all 135

Nine new ships of the line have been added to our naval force this year, and three of 50 guns, besides frigates, which is a much greater exertion than has been made in any former war.

The inhabitants of Charles Town, to the amount of near 1000 people, were preparing to quit that place with the troops when the last accounts came away. Some few who have been more moderate in their political conduct, were permitted to remain; but by far the greater number of the Loyalists were getting ready to depart, to avoid the future tyranny of Congress.

The apartments now fitting up at St. James's are designed for the residence of his R. Highness the Bishop of Osnaburgh, now on his return from Germany.

The Congress have been preparing for some time past a number of Civil and Military offices, which are to take place as soon as they are made a separate State, which we still suspect will not happen in a hurry.

DUBLIN, Jan. 4.

His Majesty has been pleased to sign commissions for the following Gentlemen to be Officers in the army in this kingdom:—

Ulster Provincial Regiment of Foot.
Thomas Dawson, Esq; to be Lieutenant Colonel Commandant. Francis Dobbs, Esq; to be Lieutenant Colonel. Thomas Leigh, Esq; to be Major. Charles Dawson, Esq; James Black, Esq; James Crofton, Esq; Laurence Doyle, Esq; Randal M'Donnell, Esq; to be Captains. Samuel Savery, Esq; to be Captain Lieutenant. John Siree, Gent. Barry Yelverton, Gent. William Hamilton, Gent. William Dobbs Burleigh, Gent. Hamilton Hazelton, Gent. Alexander Mugill, Gent. Michael Henry, Gent. to be Lieutenants. Edward Kennedy, Gent. Darcy Wentworth, Gent. Francis Lucas, Anthony Kehoe, Gent. George Pepper, James Walker, Gent. John Winter, Gent. to be Ensigns. John Mountgarret, Clerk, to be Chaplain. E. L. Sedgwick, Gent. to be Surgeon. Samuel Savery, Gent. to be Adjutant.

and a thorough reformation of the

As a proof of the uncommon openness and warmth of the present season, we are informed that the fields adjacent to the city are covered with a verdure that would be thought extraordinary in the month of March, and bespangled with daisies and other spontaneous productions of nature, in as full bloom and vigour as in the middle of May.

DIED. At Edinburgh, Lord Kames. Cork, Jan. 2. Yesterday seven Companies of the 4th foot, marched in here from Limerick, to be present at the punishment of shooting, which is to be inflicted on the unfortunate deserters next Monday.

An uncommon curiosity prevailed throughout the city on their arrival, from a report that a regiment of Fusiliers were coming in to be placed in our barracks, but the crowds that assembled were agreeably disappointed on seeing it was the King's own Regiment.

Died. Yesterday, at Garryhankard, Mrs. Aickin, wife of Mr. James Aickin, late of this city.

LIMERICK.

The Medway, Captain Rogers, of and for this port, with merchandize, was cut out of the Downs a few days ago, by a French privateer, and carried into Calais.

Last week a Drag Match of 5 miles for 20 guineas, was run for at Tarbert in the County of Kerry, between Robert Baxter, Esq's horse Surveyor, and Capt. Barnelley's horse Surprize; rode by the two Gentlemen, and won by Mr. Baxter; the drag was run in 10 minutes, tho' there was 4 five feet walls, and 6 fourteen feet drains.

Last Friday Lieut. General Gabbett arrived in town, from the County of Kerry, after having approved of, and passed the new raised Regiment, Commanded by Colonel Blennerhasset; the Corps are a fine body of men none being under 5 feet 5 inches high.

Last Friday night some Villians broke into the Shop of Mess. Seymour, Confectioner, which they robbed of several Articles.

A Meeting of the County of the City of Limerick, will be Held at the Exchange, on Saturday the 11th Inst. precisely at Twelve o'Clock, when such Gentlemen, as are Willing to Contribute to the Relief of the Poor of the said County, from the Seatcity there may be the ensuing Season, are Requested to Attend. Limerick, Jan. 2d. 1783.

GEORGE SMYTH, MAYOR.

Mr. Thomas Powell acknowledges the receipt of ten Guineas by the hands of the Rev. Mr. Nihill, for the relief of poor Debtors; by which five unhappy Men in the City Gaol have been relieved from confinement, viz. Hugh Clarey, Michael M'Namara, William Corcoran, William Mcahan, and Patrick Mcahan.

MARRIED. Last Wednesday, Mr. John Woods, Clothier, to Miss Sarah Jackson, with a handsome fortune.

Support of them as your REPRESENTATIVE at the next GENERAL ELECTION, I think myself Called upon to Request your Protection, on that Occasion.

As your REPRESENTATIVE in PARLIAMENT, I have Supported and Maintained, as much as in my Power, the Laws, Constitution, and Independence of this KINGDOM. The Wish of my Heart, is to secure those Laws, to strengthen that Constitution, and to establish that Independence on the Firmest Foundation.

Residing in this COUNTY and living amongst its ELECTORS, my private Life and Character is known to you; with the Consciousness of having always Meant well, and the laudable Pride of having always Supported the Name I most Prize in this World, that of an HONEST MAN, I Offer that private Life and Character as the best Sureties for my Publick Conduct.

I am, GENTLEMEN,
With the most unfeigned
Gratitude and Respect,
Your most obliged
and most faithful
Humble Servant,
ARTHUR BLENERHASSET.

Arbela, Oct. 1, 1782.

STOLEN on the 25th ult. from Stephen Boyse, of Reynabrone, in the County of Clare, a Black MARE, with a Star in her face, and one of her fore feet lame, the Hoof of which was crack'd. One Guinea Reward will be paid for the Mare, and prosecuting the Thief to Conviction, by said Boyse.—When he was in pursuit of said Mare he secured in the possession of a suspected person, a Mare, with a Star in her forehead, the hind fetlocks white; any person proving property, may have her, on paying the necessary expences. Jan 6, 1782.

LIMERICK
INSURANCE OFFICE
At J. FERRAR's, Quay-lane,

SUCH Persons as have the Whole or best Part of their Property in HOUSES, or Money Lent on them, would do well to Consider the Insecurity thereof, except they are INSURED FROM FIRE, a Calamity that happens in the Open Country as well as in the Populous City, or Frequented Village; and as HOUSES in Town and Country are INSURED at such an Easy Rate as 2s. 6d. per Annum, for every Hundred Pounds as far as a Certain Sum; the Sufferers by Fire cannot reasonably Claim any Pity from the Public; and as Numbers of Persons in this City and Neighbourhood, have already INSURED their Houses, Goods, Furniture, &c. it is hoped that Others will, for their own Safety, consider the Necessity of it.—Such as heretofore Insured in Dublin, with the Established HIBERNIAN INSURANCE COMPANY of Ireland, against Fire, may now have it Renewed at the said FERRAR's, AGENT to the said COMPANY, without any Additional Expence; And for the better Security of the Public, the CAPITAL STOCK of said COMPANY is increased to the Sum of 80,000l.

RESOLVED that the Sum of ONE HUNDRED and FIFTY POUNDS be Advertised in the Limerick Chronicle, to be Lent; Proposals to be received by PAT. MAHONY, Esq; Treasurer, and Mr. GEO. ALPS, Attorney.

Signed by Order,
A. WATSON, Secy.

Miniature Almanack.

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