

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, September 3, 1745

*From Wye's Letter, London, Aug. 29.*

**S**OME Letters from Paris of the 27th say, that a strong Squadron has sailed from Brest, and will be joined in the Irish Sea by that which sailed from Ferrol. We daily expect to hear of the Great Duke of Tuscany being elected Emperor, which will give a happy Turn to the melancholy and dejected State of Affairs, from the great Success of the French against us this Campaign. And the King will have a great Satisfaction in communicating the same to his Parliament, which it is generally thought will sit the Beginning of November at farthest. It was this Day reported, that an Account was come of the Grand Duke of Tuscany being (23d of August, 0.5.) chosen Emperor, which we hope will prove true. We hear that General Blakeney is to act jointly in Scotland with General Cope. All our Advices from France mention their having some grand -Design on the Carpet in the Councils of Versailles; and that the King's Presence has been thought absolutely necessary to ripen it, which occasions his sudden Return from the Army. Our Advices from the Hague mention a Resolution of the States General, to concur with their utmost Force for the Support of the Common Cause, and forming such an Alliance, as may speedily restore, and effectually maintain the Tranquillity of Europe. We hear Admiral Martin, with 7 Men of War under his Command, sailed from Plymouth last Thursday to the Westward. Last Night came Advice, that the — a Privateer, which sailed from Gravesend a Week ago, had taken a French Ship off Dunkirk, laden with Butter and Provisions, the Captain of which offered 30,000 Pound for her Ransom, but was refused; She is brought into Dover, and on a near Inspection, a great deal of Money was found in some of the Butter Firkins: She is thought to be worth 50,000l. Some Papers of Consequence were found, and. are sent up to Town.

*From the St. James's Evening Post, Aug. 29.*

*Paris, Aug. 16. O.S.*

It is reckoned that the Brest Squadron put to Sea a few Days ago. Our Letters from Madrid inform us, that the Squadron equipped at Ferrol must be at Sea before now. These two Squadrons are to steer Westward, and join in a certain Latitude. We see here a long Relation concerning the Arrival of the Pretender's Son in Scotland, with a List of above 600 of his Adherents, and a Declaration address'd to the Nobility and Gentry of Scotland.

The Pretender's eldest Son, we hear, has landed in Scotland, where he only waits for the Succours that are to be sent him by Sea, in order to enter upon Action.

Letters from Rochfort inform us, that the England have brought to that Place 1500 Men that were at Cape Breton, and that the rest of our People in that Colony are expected in a short Time. A Report is spread, that the Enemy were lying before Quebec, which cannot hold out long; so that we are in their way of losing all Canada.

*From the Camp of the Allies in Brabant, Aug. 19. O. S*

This Day a grand Council of War was held, wherein it was resolved to remain in the same Position, should even the Enemy approach us. In consequence whereof some new

Works are making along the Canal, and a sufficient Number of Pioneers have been demanded of the States of Brabant.

Brussels, Aug. 19. O. S. The Garrison of Ostend set out the 16th of this Month, in order to be conducted to Mons, by way of Oudenarde and Tournay. The Town of Nieupoort is invested. As the Body of Troops commanded by Count Clermont has been reinforced, it is thought by many it is with a View of undertaking the Siege of Aeth, or that of Mons. We hear from Lisle, that M. d'Argenson has acquainted the English Prisoners, that his Most Christian Majesty would send them to the Allied Army as soon as ever he was informed of the Arrival of Mess. de Belleisle in France.

*Hague, Aug. 21. O. S.* They write from Hanover, that in a Conference lately held at Count Konigsfeldt's, Minister from the Elector of Bavaria, and at which the Earl of Harrington assisted, they settled the Articles of a Treaty of Subsidy with his Electoral Highness, and also the Conditions upon which that Prince engages to furnish a Body of 10,000 Men to be taken into British Pay. The second Division of the Hessian Troops that are to come into the Low Countries will march To-morrow, and will be commanded by Prince Frederick of Hesse. The 3d Division will march the 1st of September.

*Extract of a Letter from a foreign Minister at Paris, to another at the Hague, Aug. 24.*

Several Letters from Paris to private People at the Hague intimate, that notwithstanding the Court affects to have entirely laid aside all Thoughts of any Enterprize against Great Britain, and contrary to the external Appearances of Things, it has incessantly been employed in carrying on that Design, it has thought proper to put on this Disguise, with a View that Great Britain might not be intimidated from sending Reinforcements from time to time of Troops and Artillery to its Army in Flanders, and by that means more effectually weakening itself, than by any other Method France could put in Practice, otherwise his Majesty might (as these Letters alledge) easily have hindred the Transportation of Troops, &c. by causing some Men of War to cruise in the Channel:

But this, by the Advice of M. Maurepas and Marshal Saxe, has been carefully avoided; both whom having constantly represented, that by leaving the Navigation open, England in a short Time would effectually do what they wanted to be done, by leaving itself bare of Troops: That it was likewise with this View that the Port of Ostend had been always hitherto left open to the English. But as Things are now circumstanced, cost what it will, their Communication by this Port, and all others on the Side of Flanders, is to be cut off.

*Extract of a Letter from Antwerp, dated August 19. O. S.*

Orders have been given for demolishing a great many Houses that stand in the Plain before our Citadel, that nothing might interrupt the View from the Place. A great Detachment arrived here this Morning, in order to reinforce our Garrison. The Army of the Allies remain in the same

Situation, and will do so till the German Succours arrive, which it is thought will be in a Fortnight; and that they will be then in a Condition to oblige the Enemy to quit the Neighbourhood of Brussels, Extract of a Letter from Weymouth, Aug. 27. This Morning arrived here the Martha of and for this Place, Francis Mackness, Master, from Alderney. The Master informs us, that Yesterday Morning, before he sailed from thence, they saw from the Island two French Men of War, of about 40 or so Guns each, engaged with three English Vessels, (one Ship and two Snobs) which are likely to be the Warren Galley, Saltash and Spy Privateers: The Engagement was very smart for two Hours and a half, when the French Ships left the said three Privateers, and made all the Sail they could to the Southward; and the Privateers, by the Course they steer'd were for Plymouth.

*The HISTORY of Europe,*

*From the WESTMINSTER JOURNAL, &c.*

His Swedish Majesty seems entirely to fall in with the Views of the Grand Alliance; there being no longer any Doubt of the Hessians March to the Low Countries. As to the Election at Frankfort, the College appears now in earnest about it, and some think will bring it on even before the Day that has been nominated, in order to make amends for the having so often put it off. All the Ministers, except those of Brandenburg and the Palatinate, seem agreed for the Grand Duke of Tuscany. These, indeed, still refuse to attend the Conferences; which will therefore be continued without their Concurrence. What Effects may spring from an Election thus carried, is uncertain; but in general, Germany has at present but little Prospect of a sudden Repose. Reinforcements are daily arriving at the Army in the Netherlands, and greater are still expected. The only Mischief is, That the Season is in Danger of elapsing before they can be in a Condition to act. Even the Dutch, if we may credit the last Accounts, will be stronger in the Winter than they have been in the Summer Campaign. The Garison of Ostend, just delivered from the Fatigues of one Siege, are likely soon to sustain another in Mons, whither they are escorted, and not to the main Army, as was at first expected. They are there surrounded by the Enemies, who threaten hardly the Remainder of Hainault. By the next Mails which arrive from Holland, we expect Advice of the Surrender of Nieuport, the only Town on the Coast of the Austrian Flanders that has not before been subdued by the French. South Sea Stock 103 seven Seas, a. 1 half.

E D I N B U R G H, Sept. 3.

*Extract of a Letter from London.*

We have now 2 very strong Squadrons at Sea for Intercepting the Brest and Ferrol Fleet, so that there is not the least Danger to be apprehended from these Enemies I hear the Cartel for Exchange of Prisoners in Flanders is already settled, betwixt his Royal Highness, the Duke of Cumberland and Marshal Saxe. We are informed the King is not yet embarked at Helvoesluy, and that a Vessel which sailed in order to look out to him is returned. I am informed that 2 Regiments are ordered down to Scotland, in order to defeat the Designs of the tall Slim Youth.

The Breadalbane Post, who left Lochtay last Saturday, assures, That the Main of the Highland Army lay at Dalnachardich on Friday; and that they were supposed designed to march Southwards that Day. And

We are well informed, that the same Body of Highlanders came to the Blair of Athole on Saturday at 2 Afternoon, where the young Chevalier dined with several Gentlemen In Lowland Dress; at least it is informed, that a very agreeable and handsome Youth dined there, and so called, that Day. They expected another Body of their People that Night or Sunday.

It is assured that the above Body of Highlanders which came to the Blair, with a few which arrived there the Day before, are not together above 2500 Men; but it is given out that they had sent some Gentlemen to invite the People of Perthshire, &c. to join them.

It is talked that they have about 50 Prisoners with them, and some Deserters in their Service.

We have nothing certain from General Cope, only. 'tis tirmly believed he got safe in to Inverness last Saturday.

A Letter from Perth, dated Yesterday Morning, says, 'We are all still quiet here, only our Butchers and Bakers are preparing Eatables, in case the Highlanders should think proper to come down from Athole to pay us a Visit. We hear some of them are within about 20 Miles of us.

A Letter from Glasgow of Yesterday's Date says, 'We hear from Dumbarton-shire, that a Body of the Highlanders have not only surprized a Detachment of the Scots Fusileers who were at Work on the Road leading to Inverary, but also took Possession of the little Fortress of Inversnaid. The small Garison had left it, as untenible, and repaired to Dumbarton-Castle; but carried their Ammunition, Arms, and every thing else valuable, along with them: So that the Highlanders had nothing left to them but the bare Walls. They are said to be 3000 strong, and some apprehend they will march Southward. By the several Expresses that have passed through here for Edinburgh, some People imagine that there has been an Engagement.'

A Letter from Borrowstounness, dated this Morning, says, All the Boats at Culross, Torrieburn, &c. are ordered over hither to ly, till further Orders.

We hear that an Express Yesterday Morning brought Advice that a Detachment of the Highlanders having surprized 19 Soldiers who were at Work on the Highland Roads, carried them off to Inversnaid, near Lochlowmond.

We are now advised that the Right Hon. the Lord Lovat is in good Health at his Seat of Castle-Downie.

Yesterday the Baggage and Equipage belonging to Colonel Guise's Regiment was carried up to the Castle from Leith, where they had lain ever since that Corps marched to Inverlochie, &c.

The Very Rev. Presbytery of Edinburgh, with Concourse of the Hon. Magistrates, have appointed Thursday next to be observed in Fasting, Humiliation and Prayer, on account of the present perilous Days.

All the Passage-boats, &c. are ordered over, in order to ly on this Side the Frith and wait Orders.

*Greenock, Aug. 29.* Arrived the Robert, Peadie, from Carolina and Lisbon. Sailed the Emanuel of Copenhagen, Jansen, for Rotterdam; the Prosperity, Campbell, and the George, Crawford, both for Virginia; the Dove, Sempill, for Montserat, and the Margaret, Ross, for Kirkwall.

*Leith, Sept. 2.* Arrived the Anne of Montrose, Orkney, from Maldo in Norway, and the Hopewell of Burntisland, from Anstruther, both with Tar; the Contented Margaret of Dundee, Buck, with Bales of Linen, Iron, &c. the John of Aberdour, Gairdner, from Dunbar with Wheat; the Mary and Jean of ditto, Tost, for London with Stockings and other Woollen Manufactories. On Friday the Fox Man of War sent in here the Katharine of Leith, Pillans, from Rotterdam and Norway with Wines and other Goods: He is confin'd with his Crew on board the Fox upon Suspicion. Came in to this Road the Crichton, Lloyd, and the Christian Lee, both from Maryland with Tobacco for London, as did the Hazard Sloop of War from the North with several Vessels under her Convoy; also two Danes from Christiansand with Wood. The Fox and Hazard are gone on a Cruize.

Yesterday arrived the Jean of Eymouth, Miller, from Warren with Oats; and the John and William of Kinghorn, Blyth, from Spey with Meal. Capt. Beavor of the Fox Man of War has been cruising all down the Frith from Burntisland, and ordering all Boats and Ships out of all the Harbours upon that Coast, and threatens to sink them in case of Disobedience.

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A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

\*¶\* *GAIRDNER* and *TAYLOR*, in their Warehouse at the Sign of the Golden Key, opposie to Forrester's Wynd, Lawn-marker, Edinburgh, continue to sell, in Wholesale and Retail, at lowest Prices, all Sorts of WOOLLEN, NARROW and BROAD CLOTHS of the Manufacture of Scotland, in same manner as was done by the late *Andrew Gairdner*, who was one of the first Introducers of an extensive Manufactory of this Kind, so very beneficial to, and so much wanted in this Country; and it is hoped that Gentlemen, without engaging themselves to any particular Undertakers only, will always be pleased to encourage such Manufacturers who by Practice are enabled to make sufficient Goods, and all Traders who employ their Stocks that Way; and that they will buy what they have Occasion for from these who shall serve them best and cheapest, as the only Method to encourage Merchants in general to deal in Scots Cloths, and enlarge this Branch of Woollen Manufacture. At above Warehouse to be sold at lowest Rates, great Choice of TARTANS, the newest Patterns, Cotton Checks and Sarges, of which they are also *Makers*; and Variety of Scots Carpets, Hats, Stockings, &c. Where likewise *Clothiers* may have Wool to manufacture upon their Account, or may be provided in any Quantity of Spanish or other Wool, Dyeries, and Instruments proper for them, on reasonable Terms.

*Nota*, They give ready Money for *Wool* fit for Clothing, and all sufficient Scots Woollen Cloths.

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*Stoln betwixt Saturday Night and Sunday Morning last, from a Park in Peaston, in the Parish of Ormiston and Shire of East Lothian,*

A BROWN seared GALLOWAY, about 13 Hands high, with a yellow Mane and Tail, and two white Feet, Any who can give Notice of him to the Publisher of this Paper, or to the Proprietor at Peaston, shall be handsomely rewarded.

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Royal Bank, Edinr. 29th August 1745.

HEREAS a malicious Story has been industriously propagated, by evil disposed Persons, who with no Good to their Country, that the ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND have stopt Payment of their Notes, thereby to create a Diffidence, to the Prejudice of publick and private Credit; both which the ROYAL BANK have greatly supported and maintain'd ever since their Erection: These are therefore to acquaint the Publick, particularly those who are at a Distance from Edinburgh, That the said Report is false and groundless, calculated only for sinister Views, and to hurt the Reputation of a Company, who has been, and now is, a Common Good to this Part of the Island, and that they pay their Notes with the same Readiness they have always done. And further, the Court of Directors of the said ROYAL BANK do hereby promise a Reward of Fifty Pounds Sterling to any Person or Persons who shall discover the Authors or Propagators of such false Reports, so as he or they may be thereof convicted.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
JOHN GRAHAM Secretary.

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To be SOLD by voluntary Roup, within the Royal Coffee, house in Aberdeen, on Thursday the 12th Day of September inst. betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 Afternoon,

The Lands of *MIDSTRATH* and *TORFUNLOCHIE*, both lying in the Parish of Birse and Shire of Aberdeen. The Lands of *Midstrath* paying of yearly free Rent, after Deduction of all publick Burdens 656l. 12s. 2d. Scots of Money Rent, and 43 Bolls 2 Firlots Meal; are holden Feu of the Crown for payment of 29l. 3s. 4d. Scots yearly: The valued Rent whereof is 300l. Scots. The Lands of *Torfunlochie* pay yearly, after Deduction of all publick Burdens, in 111l. Scots; hold Blanch of the Earl of Aboyne: The valued Rent being 33l. 6s. 8d. The Tenants of both Estates pay 204 Poultry, including Reek-hens, which are not rentalled. Either are the Services; both which, if rentalled, will exceed 80l. Scots yearly: The Lands are low set. On *Midstrath* there is some old Planting of Ash-trees; and on both Estates there are Woods of Ash, Birch, Allar, &c. growing naturally.

There is an exceeding good Lime-quarry on *Midstrath*, and plenty of Lime stone over all the Interest, which has Right to unexhaustible Mosses in the Forrest of Birse and Glencat, and likewise a Servitude and Right of Sheilling in the Forrest of Birse and Glenawn. The Mains of *Midstrath* pays no small Tithes, and the Heritor has an irredeemable Right to the great Teinds of the whole Lands. The Rental, Conditions of Roup and Progress (which is clear) are to be seen in the Hands of Francis Gordon Advocate in Aber-

deen, who will treat with any who have a Mind to purchase before the Day of Roup.

¶¶¶ This is to give Notice to all Gentlemen, Travellers and others, That THOMAS BEAVER is removed from the Crown-Tavern on the key, to the Bull and Crown in the Flesh market, Newcastle, where Mrs. Margaret Hills lately lived: Gentlemen that please to favour him with their Company, may depend upon meeting with good Entertainment from their obedient and humble Servant,

Thomas Beaver.

N.B. I was five Years principal Cook to George Bowes, Esq; of Gibside, Member of Parliament for the County of Durham. The House is much more commodious than before.

By Order of the Honourable Alexander Brodie of Brodie, Esq; Lyon King of Arms,

These give Notice to all his Majesty's Lieges, not to employ the following Messengers of Arms in executing any of his Majesty's Letters, they being publickly deprived of the Office of Messenger, viz.

Dumfries { James Macartney,  
          John Cairns,  
          John Hamilton.

Fife { William Young,  
      William Donaldson,  
      Walter Wilkie,  
      James Rolland.

Dav. Erskine, Lyon Clerk.

By ADJOURNMENT.

To be SOLD by publick voluntary Roup, peremptorily on Tuesday the 1st October next, between the Hours of 3 and 5 Afternoon, within the Laigh Coffeeshouse, Edinburgh,

The Lands and Barony of HUNDILSHOPE, lying in the Parish of Manner and Shire of Peebles, on the River Tweed, 18 Miles South of Edinburgh, holding Taxward of the Crown, paying of yearly free Rent 111l. 17s. 11d. Sterl. besides some Superiorities. The Rental, Progress of Writs and Conditions of Sale are to be seen in the Hands of William Lumisden Writer at his House within the Head of Marlin's Wynd, Edinburgh But any Person inclining to purchase before the said Day of Roup, the whole Barony, or these Parts thereof called Hallyards, Milntown and Ballanrig, the yearly free Rent, whereof is about 52l. Sterl. may commune with the Proprietor at Hallyards, or the said William Lumisden. There is a convenient House lately built, with good Office houses and a Kitchen-Garden at Hallyards. And there are several Thousands of thriving young Planting, and a little Bush of natural Alder, a good part thereof being fit for cutting, about Hallyards and Milntown: And the whole Barony is well provided with Peat and Turf.

To be SOLD by publick voluntary Roup and Sale, TOMORROW, the 4th Day of September, within John's Coffeeshouse, Edinburgh,

betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 Afternoon, The Lands of LOGIE, consisting of 140 Scots Acres of rich Grounds, exclusive of the House, Gardens, Barn, Stable, Yards, a Green, and an Inclosure before the House, containing in all above three Acres more, lying together in a Plain within half a Mile of Dunfermline, with a convenient modern House and Office-houses, situated about the Middle thereof, and lately built conform to a regular Plan: About one Third of the Land is set out in Tack at two Bolls the Acre; the other two Thirds are and have for some Years past been occupied by the Proprietor. Above one Half of the Land is marched by the Water of Line, which makes many Windings, and adds a considerable Beauty thereto: They hold of the Crown. are 400l. Scots of valued Rent, and of course give an unquestionable Vote in the Election of a Member to Parliament. There is great plenty of Coal and Lime-stone at hand; and all Provisions necessary for a Family may daily be had in Dunfermline at easier Rates than in most Places in Scotland. The free Rent is about 140l. Sterl. yearly. The Purchaser will have Liberty to retain any part of the Purchase Money, not exceeding two Thirds thereof, at 4 1/2 per Cent. Interest, if desired. The Rental, Progress of Writs and Conditions of sale, may be seen in the Hands of Mr Robert Dalrymple Writer to the Signet at Edinburgh. N. B. If these Lands are not sold, then that Part thereof which is at present in the Proprietor's Hands, will be let by publick Roup at the House of Mrs. Buntine at Dunfermline, upon Tuesday the 17th Day of September being the Harvest-Fair of Dunfermline.

¶¶¶ JOHN GIBSON has removed his China Ware, house to the first Story in the New Land opposite to the Cross-Well, Edinburgh, and continues to sell all Sorts of China-Ware and Fans; he new mounts them as usual: And has had from London by last Convoy, a large Parcel of fine Plain, Green, Hyson and Bohea TEAS, neat as imported by the British East-India Company, and sells at the following Prices, a deal lower since the Commencement of the late Act of Parliament, viz fresh Bohea Tea at 4s. per Pound, second Sort at 5s. finest Sort at 6s, fine Congo at 7s. finest ditto 8s. Superfine Pekoe at 8s. fine Soyshong at 10s. and finest at 12s. plain Green at 6s. fine Singlo Green at 8s. Hyson Green at 10s. fine ditto at 16s. Superfine at 20s. best Superfine London Crown Chocolate.—He likewise sells at the lowest Prices, a large Parcel of Dutch Linen, from 20d. to 5s. per Yard, and many other Goods too tedious here to mention. N. B. Whereas Ladies have been often imposed upon, when sending for Samples of Tea, have got fine Samples, and the Stock or Quantity they wanted not proving so good as the Sample, for preventing of such Abuses, Mr. Gibson has a convenient Room off the Shop, where the Tea-kettle will be always upon the Boil, where Ladies may try all his Teas, and may be served directly from the Canister they like; the Canisters are all numbred, and the prices affix'd without the least Abatement. And sells the Superfine Flour of Durham Mustard, at 1s. 6d. per Pound.