

one of her Coaches to take them thither, and that they would find, on her Decease, that she had not been unmindful of them; which proved to be true, as she has left them handsome Annuities for their Lives. She was in the 43d Year of her Age."

*East-India Intelligence.*

From Madras we learn, that the Violence of the Rains, and Want of Ammunition, would reduce Colonel Monson to the Necessity of raising the Siege of Maduratra (100 miles Southward of Trichinopoly) after having with infinite Labour carried on our Approaches, and worked by Sap to the Counterscarp. Ustoff Cawn, the Rebel Seapoy, had 450 Frenchmen and Coffrees in his Service, who laid Claim to the Fortrefs in Virtue of his [Ustoff's] Cession of it to the French King in 1762, and protested against the Attack. Three Men of War, and 12 or 15 Merchant Ships, were dismasted, and greatly shattered in a violent Storm that happened at Madras the 21st of October last. The Plassey, which has brought home Governor Pigot, Mrs Vansittart, with Mess. Du Pre, Alexander, and Wilson, escaped, by being at Fort St. David's which the Vein of Wind did not reach.

Yesterday Morning came Advice, that the Ashburnham, Pearce, and the Plassey, Ward, were arrived off the Isle of Wight; from whom we learn the following melancholy Account of the Damage done in Madras Road, the 21st of October, 1763, viz.

Ship Union, Reynolds, run ashore, and beat to pieces.

Fazala, Hawke, Lawson, cut away masts, and foundered.

Snow Sea-Boat, Gibson, and Ketch Tryal, Gilchrist, run ashore, and beat to pieces.

Snow Speedwell, Moore, run ashore, and beat to pieces.

Snow Calcutta, Watson, foundered.

The Norfolk, Admiral Cornish; the America, Captain Pitchford; and the Weymoth, Captain Collins, put to Sea the 29th, and returned the 24th dismasted, with much Water in their Holds.

The Ship Royal Charlotte, Captain Tingle, of 400 Tons, a Country Ship, put to Sea with the Men of War, and returned with the Loss of her Fore and Main-Masts.

Admiral Cornish, the Captains Pitchford and Collins, are ashore; also all the Country Captains, except Captain Tracey; and up-

wards of 30 Paddy Boats foundered or drove ashore.

Snow Success, Elliot, run ashore.

Snow London, Black, ditto, nothing saved.

Snow Neptune, Tracey, ran foul of the Calcutta, and both sunk together.

Snow Nelly, Gibson, drove ashore, and beat to pieces.

The Hope — foundered.

We are assured, that several private Letters received from Bengal the 13th of November last at Madras, declare, positively, that Coffin Ally Cawn, before he retreated from Mongheer, put all the Prisoners he had in his Hands to Death; but whether the Patna Prisoners shared the same Fate is not absolutely ascertained.

The British King, Pigou, and Pitt, Jackson, from London, are both arrived in the East-Indies.

*Letter from Banda-Neira, one of the Molucca Islands, situated at 4 Degrees, 30 Minutes South Latitude, and about 30 Miles from Amboyna, dated September 12, 1763.*

"The first of this Month, at five in the Afternoon, we had the most terrible Shocks of Earth-quake that have been felt here for above Half a Century past. The first Shock lasted more than four Minutes, and was so violent, that no Body could stand upon his Feet. All the Inhabitants ran out of their Houses, but were no sooner got into the Street, but they fell to the Ground almost motionless. The same Evening, and the following Night, we had Sixteen Shocks more, but not so violent as the first. At the first Shock the Sea fell suddenly five Fathoms, and in less than three Minutes swelled with inexpressible Rapidity, and overflowed a great Deal of Land.

"The Castle is split in several Places. There are so many Cracks in the Houses of the Governor and Sub-Governor, the Powder Magazine, the Board of Trade and War-Office, the City Gates, the Armourers Office, &c. that all those Edifices are untenantable. The new Church, which was not yet finished, is cracked on every Side. Above three Fourths of this Island, on the North Side, are nothing now but Heaps of Ruins; and without foreign Help the Island cannot recover from this Disaster in less than twenty five Years. Belgica Castle is split in several Places. Incredible Devastation has been made in the hilly Country of Louthoir, and in the Island of Poulo-Aly, and