

avid, is returned home, and yesterday arrived at *Rotterdam*, the place of his former residence.

Ditto, Sept. 3. The great news we have at present here, is, That the Duke of *Hanover*, according to what they write, from *Hamburgh*, hath embraced the party of the Confederates. The Letters we have from the Fleet under the command of Lieutenant-Admiral *de Ruyter*, dated the 29th past, left it then between *Newport* and *Blanchenberg*. The *Sieur Van Haen*, who went before with six Men of War, and several Merchantsmen, under his Convoy, hath, we hear, met with bad weather in the Channel, which hath scattered the ships that were with him.

Brussels, Sept. 3. On Friday last, early in the morning our Army decamped from their quarters which they had between *Soignies* and *Thieusses*, about ten a clock arrived near the River *Hayne*, and encamped between the Villages of *Stierri* and *St. Vast*, about a League from *Bitch*. The Prince of *Orange* had no sooner taken his quarters for his Army, but he sent Lieutenant-General *Aluwa* with 12 Battalions of Foot to attack *Bitch*, in which were 350 Foot, and 60 Horse; the Governor upon the first summons refused to surrender, and towards evening the Cannon was brought before the place to batter it, but the next morning the French yielded upon discretion; and, its said, that the Dutch found there great quantities of Hay and Corn. In the mean time the general opinion is, That the Prince of *Orange* intends to besiege *Charleroy*, and that in a day or two; and we hear from thence, that the *Sieur de Montal* is accordingly preparing for a Siege, having a good Garrison of 3000 Men in the place. The *Marschal de Montmorency* keeps his eye upon the Prince of *Orange*, to observe his motions, and is likewise come with his Army nearer *Mons*. Yesterday, at two in the morning, arrived here Colonel *Grahams* Regiment from *Hall*, where it was quartered, to secure the passage between this City and our Camp; they marched all night, by order from the Prince, and came hither very opportunely, having narrowly escaped a French party of Horse, that was sent out to cut them off.

Ditto, Septem. 4. Just now arrives an Express from *Strasbourg*, which gives an account, that the Imperial Army having on the 26th past, pressed upon the French, who were encamped at *Ensheim*, about a League from *Strasbourg*, and from a battery of 12 Guns, greatly incommoded them, the Prince of *Conde* decamped the night following, and retreated; and that General *Montecuculi* followed him, with a resolution to engage him to a Battle; of which our next will give us a more particular account.

From the French Camp near *Schlestadt*, Aug. 30. The Prince of *Conde* being, as we have already told you, arrived in the Army, the 21st he decamped, and marched directly towards *Strasbourg*, to relieve *Haguenaw*, which had been three dayes besieged by the Imperialists, and encamped at *Ensheim*, about a League and an half from *Strasbourg*, our Left Wing being posted under a Wood, our Right directly towards *Strasbourg*, our Generals quarters in the Centre of the first Line, and the River *Preusch* being before us; The Prince caused a Line to be made on the Right of his Camp, where there was a Plain between two Woods, which reached to *Strasbourg*, and two Redoubts to be raised on the Line, on which were planted four pieces of Cannon. Upon our approach, General *Montecuculi* quitted the siege of *Haguenaw*, brought his Army likewise back to *Strasbourg*, and encamped at *Holtzheim*; the two Armies continued in this posture from the 23rd, till the 26th, the River *Preusch* dividing them. The 26th, in the morning,

about eight of the Clock, we discovered the Enemy marching towards us on the other side of the *Preusch*, which caused our Guards that were on that side to retire, with no other loss than of the Chevalier *Beauvais*, who was mortally wounded as he retreated. Hereupon the Prince of *Conde* drew our Army up in Battalia about 1 a clock, after noon, and about that time discovered the Enemy had raised a Battery of 12 Guns, from whence they fired very furiously into our Camp; we continued in Arms from one till ten at night, expecting still when the Enemy would attack us: and about twelve at night, we left our Camp at *Ensheim*, marched four Leagues, and the next morning, about eight a clock, encamped at *Sr. Marie aux Mines*. The Enemy, understanding of our Retreat in the morning, passed the *Preusch* with some Squadrons of Horse, and attacked two or three of our Squadrons that were in the Rear; who did not behave themselves very well; but the Duke de *la Feuillade*, who arrived in our Army the day before with his own servants only, and to whom the Prince had committed the Reeguard, coming up, carried them himself to the charge, and then they repulsed one or two of the Enemies Squadrons: decamping again from *Sr. Marie aux Mines*, the 28th, we came and took our quarters where we now are; we have intrenched our Camp, which is in a very advantageous ground, and difficult to be come to: and, it's said, that here we shall expect the coming up of the Succors intended us, the Germans being at present above 10000 stronger than we; and our Horses somewhat out of case. Yesterday several Squadrons of the Enemies Horse appeared within a League and half from our Camp; though, it is thought, General *Montecuculi* will return to besiege *Haguenaw*, where we have a good Magazine.

Whitehall, Aug. 26. His Majesty hath been pleased to send *Bernard Grenville* Esq, one of his Bed-chamber, and brother to the Earl of *Bath*, his Envoy Extraordinary to the Dutchess Regent of *Savoy*, upon the death of the late Duke her husband; and at the same time, as a particular mark of his Favor to that most Loyal Family, and to the memory of Sir *Bevil Grenville* their Father, who, in the beginning of the late Rebellion, rendered so many signal and eminent services to the Crown, and was killed so honourably at the Battel of *Lensdowne*; hath been graciously pleased to grant to the sons and daughters of the said Sir *Bevil*, the place, title and dignity of Earls children.

Advertisements.

A Bout Two in the morning, Aug. 29. instant, the house of Sir *Purbach Temple* of *Edgcombe-Place* near *Croydon*, was broke open, and there was stolen from him, one fine Arras-Carpet wrought with Gold, Silver and Silk, in Flowers, with a Coat of Arms in the middle, between 4 and 5 yards long; one *Persia* Carpet; several very fine *China* Dishes; about 30 Pewter-dishes of several sorts, marked with two Crests, and his Coat of Arms and his Ladies; besides several other things. One of the persons suspected was his Gardener, going by the name of *Nicholas Smith*, of a lank brown hair, a red Face with pimples, in shabby brown cloaths, formerly served at *Maidstone* and *Aylesford* in *Kent*. If any of the Goods abovementioned be offered to Sale, you are desired to make stop of the persons and goods, and give notice to Mr. *Richard Croft* a Jeweller in *Fetter-lane*, and you shall receive five pounds reward.

Lost the beginning of this month of *August*, an Ametheist Seal set in Gold, the Arms being a Cheverne between three Flower-de-luces, the Crest being a flaming Dragon. Whosoever shall bring the said Seal, to Mr. *John Mansons* Goldsmith, at the *Golden Bush*, over against *St. Dunstons Church* in *Fleet-street*, shall have 20 s. Reward.

Philip *Lewis* waiting about 22 years of age, having black strait hair, a tawinsh complexion, down-look, of a middle stature, took away (Aug. 2.) Good, of a considerable value, from his Master *Adam Kerby*, Baker, in *Crutcher-Fryers*. Whosoever gives notice of him to his said Master, shall have 20 s. Reward.

Aug. 22. Strayed or stolen from *Finchingfield* in the County of *Essex*, a light Red-roan Gelding, about 13 hands, seven years old, with all his paces. Whoever can give notice of him to Mr. *Thomas Folio* a Paeker in *Bearybinder-lane*, *London*, or to Mr. *Ralph Fish* at *Finchingfield* aforesaid; shall have 20 s. reward.