

nish Netherlands, has received the Complements of the States General upon his late return.

The Protestant Cantons of *Switzerland* have lately written two Letters to the States, one of them from *Basle*, the other from *Zurich*, bearing date the 10th instant, both returning thanks for the Letter which the States formerly sent to them, promising to take the business contained therein into speedy deliberation, and in little time to acquaint them with their resolutions.

The Heer de *Bross*, our Resident at *Constantinople* till the arrival there of our Ambassador the Heer *Cottier*, arrived here the 24th instant with a Copy of the said Ambassador, bringing with them a Letter from the Grand Seignior, and another from the Ambassador, with a Journal of what has passed since his departure from hence, till the going away of the said de *Bross*: on their way thither, between *Cologne* and *Rimberg*, where they were robbed by some cashiered soldiers, from whom they saved nothing but the French papers.

The States of *Holland* met again the 21th instant, since when they have disposed of several Vacant Charges in the Army. They have had several Debates about the Reformation of the Army, and Lists have been given in of the Forces which they designed to disband; viz. Of the French Regiments the *Wallons*, *Torcs*, *Darmville*, *Mariat* &c. and the Companies belonging to the following Captains, viz. *Corceau*, *Faques de Gasson*, *Grande Maison*, *La Sale*, *de Sauverat*, *d'Ormoise*, *Potresclair Ooms*, *Brasset*, *Garandiers*, *Bringet*, *Navarrie*, the Sieur de *Beaumont*, and *Habberat*; in the *Netherland* Companies those of the Captains *Steelelands*, *Gravens*, *Hinisfal*, *Vander Does*, de *Crach*, *Vigier*, *Blackford*, *Foxel*, and the Vacant Companies of *Van Brant* and *Van Voorshooter*, with three Companies of Field-Marshal *Wurrs*, viz. those of the Captains *Bodeck*, *Mirrains*, and *Heek*; what alterations may be made in this list is not yet known.

From *Amsterdam* we are told, that none of our *East-Indy* ships were cast away by the late storms, as was reported. We hear of a Scotch ship which ran on ground upon the Coasts of *Sauveurs*, one other ship at *Camperdown*, one more going out of the *Texel*, intending for the *Canaries*; and some few others about the *V. F.* About 100 sail of Merchant-ships, as within 5 or 6 days arrived at the *Texel* from *France* and other parts. Upon report made to the Magistrates of *Amsterdam*, that several persons have in the dark night been cast away in the Channels of that City, they have ordered 7 or 800 Lanterns to be placed upon the ends of the Bridges and corners of the Streets upon the Channels, the better to prevent any farther misfortunes of that nature.

The *East India* Company having considered that their Charter will expire in the year 1670, have desired a farther continuance of it till 1700 but this being a point wherein the publick is concerned, time is taken to consider farther of it, many persons pressing hard for the suppression of that Company, and to leave that Trade free and open.

The Deputies from the *Norrit* quarters are still here debating the differences of Trade between the Cities and the Villages, in which nothing is yet resolved, but 'tis believed something will be suddenly agreed upon for the satisfaction of all parties.

Denmark has referred the business in dispute between that Crown and *Holland* to the arbitration of His most Christian Majesty.

Brussels, December 1. On Monday morning last, the Count *Salazar* having conferred with the Magistrates of this City about the proposal made by the Constable for the admission of a Spanish Garrison, returned again to *Maintz* to give an account of his negotiation, which has had hitherto but little success among the Commons; who insist much upon their privileges and exemptions, but are willing to contribute 4000 Rations a day, and four Solz the Ration, for the maintenance of a limited number, but so that they shall find Quarters for themselves without burden or prejudice to the Citizens.

The same day, the chief *Bourgomaster* with two other Officers of the City were sent as Deputies to *Maintz* to give

the Constable an account of the difficulty they find in moving the Commons to comply with his proposals, and to make some new Overtures about the Quartering of the Soldiers.

From *Orleans* we are told, that that City has consented to take in a Spanish Garrison, and that Order is taken for the building of convenient Lodging for the Soldiers in the Court of the Old Castle for the Accounts of *Flanders*. They say also that the Constable has refused a considerable sum of moneys which the Citizens were raising for him as a Donative, desiring it may be employed for the building the said Lodgings.

Don Francisco de Velasco is lately made Commander of the three Companies of Guards, amongst whom are the *Green Coats*, commanded by the Marquis *Raggi* their Captain; who being not pleased that a Superior Officer is placed over him, has desired leave to return into *Spain*. The Guards are ordered to *Maintz*, and 'tis said are to attend the Constable thither on Saturday next, the Pallace being richly furnished for his Reception.

From *Burgundy* we are advised, that the Chamber of Justice began to sit at *Besanzon* the 13th past, and that an Edict is lately published, forbidding all Masters of that Countrey to undertake any private work; but to repair forthwith to *Besanzon*, and to employ themselves upon the Citradell.

Paris, Dec. 1. On Sunday last, His Majesty gave a publick Audience with the usual ceremonies to *Don Hueronimo de Quignones*, in which he complimented the King in the name of their Catholick Majesties upon the birth of the Duke d'Anjou, and is honourably entertained by His Majesties Officers, as the Marquis de *Villars* was formerly in *Spain*.

His Majesty gave lately Audience to a Deputy from those of the Reformed Religion, called *du Bose* a Minister, introduced by Monsieur *Auvigny*, who seemed to complain of some violence offered to the Edict of *Nantz*, by the late suppression of the Chambers of Edict of *Paris* and *Rouen*; to which His Majesty was pleased to answer, that this was not done with any intention of violating or lessening their privileges, but only to take off the ill practises and abuses which were too frequently committed in them.

On Tuesday last His Majesty received a Letter of the 16th past from the Duke de la *Feuillade* at *Malta*, giving an account that he intended that day to set sail for *Candia* (so that the reports of the arrivall of the French Succours at *Candia* seem to have been ill grounded) withal confirming the News of the Sally made by the besieged, with all the particulars formerly published.

Letters of the 14th past from *Barcellona*, inform us, that *Don Juan* came the 10th instant near that City, upon the News whereof the Magistrates sent out to him a Present of Plate, and great store of provisions: That the 13th instant he came into the City with only 6 Gentlemen and 4 Footmen, and was there attended by the Duke d'Osuna Vice-Roy of *Catalonia*, with whom he had a long Conference.

His Majesties Resident in *Switzerland* writes that the Cantons are willing to continue their Antient Alliance with this Crown, provided the Conditions of their Treaty may be punctually complied with; whereupon His Majesty hath ordered the payment to them of 200 thousand Crowns towards their satisfaction. The Diet has lately condemned to death a *Swiss* Captain, for raising men in their Countrey, without leave first obtained from the Cantons.

Whitehall, November 25. His Majesty has been pleased to make this following Alteration in the List of Sheriffs for the year ensuing.

<i>Bedford</i> ,	<i>De Lapney</i> Esquire.
<i>Cambridge</i> ,	<i>James Thompson</i> Esquire.
<i>Essex</i> ,	<i>Sir John James</i> .
<i>Worke</i> ,	<i>Sir George Viner</i> .
<i>Northumberland</i> ,	<i>Robert Shaftoe</i> Esquire being dead, the Sheriff of the last year is to be continued.
<i>Stafford</i> ,	<i>Edwin Schrimshaw</i> Esquire.
<i>Suffolke</i> ,	<i>Jo. Blackeby</i> Esquire.
<i>Surrey</i> ,	<i>Geo. Woodroffe</i> Esquire.