

It was in that great Inundation in November 1572. All our Cellars and first Rooms are full of Water. The Flood runs violent, so that the ships have much ado to keep themselves from damage; the storm still continues at N. N. W. Near the Jews Church, a great many people are at work to make good part of a Dike that is very weak there.

Disso, Nov. 7. The Wind on Sunday last was so very violent at N. N. W. that the Waters, which usually at this time of the year are pretty high, encreased beyond what had been known by any person living; on Monday the storm continued with greater violence than before, and the Waters still grew higher, till about five in the Evening, when, on the sudden, they fell about a foot and an half; which made us apprehend, that some Dike was broken, and that the Water discharged it self into some other part of the Country, as indeed it proved; for between *Muyden* and *Mayderberg*, the violence of the Water had broken the great Dike: but notwithstanding the South-Sea did discharge it self there, yet the Wind continuing with greater violence on Monday night, the Waters here rose higher than they had been before, in so much that they overflowed the Dikes and Slaices of this City; so that all the Streets and Cellars without the Dike were under Water, and the people were forced to pass up and down in Boats; On Tuesday, at the opening of the Gates, we understood that the *Harlemer* Dike was broken through about a League and an half from hence, and saw all the Country round drowned, and the Doors Houses almost cover'd with Water. This Inundation is almost general all *Holland* over; and, it is said, that a Dike is broken near *Rotterdam*. Towards Tuesday evening, the Wind calmed a little, but the Waters remained at the same height; and the Water that entered into the Country through the Dikes that were broken, did so swell all our Inland Rivers, or Canals, that our Streets within the Dike were likewise covered for the most part with Water. Yesterday morning the Waters without the Dike decreased several feet, and the Streets were dry again; but the Water within the Dike encreased till Noon, when it began to fall. This deluge which has been so universal all *South-Holland* over, has likewise reached *North-Holland*, which lies much lower, the Dikes being broken in several places, and the greatest part of the Country drowned; it is said that several whole Villages, and part of the Town of *Medenbliche*, have been washed away: And we are in much pain for that point of ground, called the *Helder*, which lies over against the *Texel*, and covers *North-Holland* from the Ocean. This Inundation hath caused a damage that will not be repaired in a long time; and had the storm continued 24 hours longer, this whole Country would have run a hazard of being quite lost. Several houses between this City and *Haerlem* have been carried away by the violence of the Waters, together with the people that were in them.

Disso, Nov. 8. What was said yesterday of the destruction of *Medenbliche*, proves a mistake; *North-Holland* has escaped better than was expected, the Water having only got into *Waterland*.

Hague, Nov. 5. Our last Letters from *Hamburg* and *Bremen* told us, that *Bremersfurde* was surrendered to the Confederates; which, besides the weakness of the Garrison, is in great part attributed to the Emperor's Avocatoria, upon the pressing of which to the German Soldiers that were in the *Suedes* service, they laid down their Arms. After the taking of this place, the Confederates immediately invested *Stade*, where it's not

doubted but the *Mareschal Horne* will make a vigorous defence, if the Garrison do not fail him, greatest part of which are said to be *Germans*. All our Letters affirm, That in *Pomeran* the Confederates are pursuing their advantages against the *Suedes*; and in general it is said, that the King of *Denmark* besieges *Wisnar*, and that the Elector of *Brandenburgh* was resolved to besiege *Stralsund*, while the Prince of *Anhalt*, with a separate Body, attacks *Stetin*. From *Alfaria* they tell us, that the French Army is in a very ill condition, especially the Cavalry; but for the rest, that both Armies are disposing themselves to go into Winter-quarters. On Sunday last arrived here the Baron *de Serinchamp*, in quality of Envoy from the Duke of *Lorraine*, to renew, as is said, the Treaty that was between this State, and the late Duke his Uncle. The violent storms which have continued now 3 or 4 dayes, have, as we hear, made a breach in one of the banks in *North Holland*, and occasioned a great Inundation in those parts.

Disso, Nov. 8. The late storms have done much damage in this Country, the Waters having been raised above its Banks, and in many places the Dikes broken down by the violence of the Flood; *Rotterdam* and *Dort* have suffered much, there being few Houses whose Cellars and lower Rooms are not full of Water. But *Amsterdam* yet more; for by the breaking of a Bank between that City and *Haerlem*, all the Country round it lies under Water. At the first we had a report of a far greater Inundation near *Hornes* in *North-Holland*, where a great Sea-bank broke, but another Dike behind that, having, by the help of the Country people, stood firm, the damage in those parts is not by far so great as was feared. This day arrived here his Highnesses Life-guards, and his Regiment of Foot guards, and several other Regiments are marching to their Winter-quarters in these parts. The Most Christian King having revoked the liberty he had granted for a free Fishery, the States General have done the like on their part. From *Hamburg* we have the confirmation of *Wisnar's* being besieged by the King of *Denmark*.

Paris, Nov. 9. The Plenipotentiaries which his Majesty has appointed for the Treaty at *Nimwegen*, are preparing for their journey, which they will begin, so soon as any of the other Ambassadors dispose themselves for the Congress. Our Letters from *Germany* tell us, That Count *Montecuculi* had quitted the Army, and was on his return to *Vienna*; but the Letters we have of a very fresh date from the Camp at *Kesselsdorf*, do not make any mention thereof. The Prince of *Condé* is suddenly expected at Court. The removal of the Parliament from *Reims*, and the keeping a great Garrison there, very much afflicts those Inhabitants, who suffer this punishment, for the disorders that were this Summer first begun among them.

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