

resolved, that very pressing Letters shall be written in the name of the Emperor, and of the Empire, to such of the States and Princes as have been warring therein; but on the other side they endeavor to justify their omissions, and especially the Circles of the *Lower Saxony*, and of *Westphalia*, who it seems declare, that seeing a War is broken out with the Crown of *Sweden*, they shall not be able to send their Troops towards the *Rhine*, which they shall have occasion to employ nearer home.

Philipsburgh, Nov. 29. The Regiment of *Franconia*, which was lodged in *Chiverstadt*, and in a Fort built on purpose for the blocking us up, hath quitted those two Posts, having demolished the said Fort, and is now quartered at *Manheim* and at *Heydelberg*. The 24 instant, the Sieur *Merlet*, Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of *Plessis*, returned hither from *Spire*, having under his Convoy 10 large Boats laden with Corn, and other Provisions. The Elector Palatine hath, as we are told, concluded the Treaty with this Garison concerning the Contributions which his Countries are to pay, to free them from the continual excursions of this Garison. We do not yet hear that General *Montecuculi* is on his return to *Vienna*, being hindered by several disputes that arise about the granting of Winter-quarters to his Troops.

Strasbourg, Nov. 29. We are at present pretty quiet in this place, for as well the French as Imperialists are for the most part in their Winter-quarters. Our Magistrates endeavor very much to order matters, that they may be permitted to maintain a Neutrality with the French, which hitherto General *Montecuculi* has wholly refused, though at the same time people here complain, that no great care has been taken to secure us against the French, whom we might well expect to be highly offended at our not observing the said Neutrality. In the interim there be those that seem to have great hopes of a sudden Peace, which will put an end to all these Calamities of War; and they tell us, that the several Parties are hastening their Ambassadors to the place of Congress; and that some of the principal Parties seem very much inclined to Peace.

Brisac, Nov. 30. The Troops that are at *Schlestadt*, being assisted by the Boors of the Neighborhood, work with great diligence for the raising the new Fortifications intended to be made for the security of that place, which are to consist in eight Bastions; and when those are finished, that place will be as considerable a Post as is in this Country. Our Troops are not as yet all of them actually in their Winter-quarters, but are marching to them. The Sieur *de Monclar*, who at present commands the Kings Forces in *Alsacia*, having spent two days here in giving the necessary orders, parted for *Saverne*, where he arrived the 28 instant, which he left again the next day, and yesterday was at *Haguenaw*, with intention in like manner to visit the other places in *Alsacia*. Several Deputies are arrived here from the Neighbouring Countries, to treat about their Contributions.

Paris, Decemb. 7. The 2d instant, the Prince of *Conde* arrived at Court in very good health, having taken his way through the *Franche Comte*, where, it's said, he left things in a very good posture. His Majesties Plenipotentiaries are disposing themselves to begin their journey towards *Nimeguen*, according to the express command of the King. His Majesty has lately issued a Declaration, by which he revokes the Charter and Priviledges granted to the City and Inhabitants of *Bordeaux*, and commands, That the Parliament which was wont to assemble there, shall be removed to *Coadom*. We are told that there are at present 7000 Foot quartered in that City, and 5000 Horse in the Neighborhood; That the Citizens have been all disarmed; And that the Marschal *d'Albret* their Governor,

has given order for the demolishing the walls, and pulling down several houses, to make place for the building a new Citadel; And that the Inhabitants are obliged to pay a monthly Contribution for the maintenance of the Soldiers, which comes to a very considerable Sum. From *Messina* we have advice by Letters of the 30 of *October*, That upon the *Spanish Armada's* (which consisted in 15 Men of War, 8 Gallies, and 3 Fireships) appearing off of that place, the Marschal *de Vivonne* commanded the Sieur *d'Almeras* Lieutenant-General of the Naval Forces of this Kingdom, to sail with 10 Men of War and five Fireships that were then in Port, and with them to engage the *Spaniards*, who were at Anchor in the Fare; but our ships being to pass a certain Channel three miles in length, and the wind proving contrary, they found it a very difficult matter to get to the Enemy: but at length the Sieur *Almeras* pulled the said Channel, and being ready to fall upon the *Spaniards*, their Admiral cut his Cable, as did the rest by his example, and put themselves under Sail, taking their course towards *Melazzo*; the Sieur *d'Almeras* endeavouring to get the wind of the Enemy, and to hinder their retreat, hapned to come a ground with the ship he was in, which drew three foot more than the rest of his Squadron; but by the assistance he received by several Barks sent from *Messina*, he got off again without any great damage, and that in the sight of the *Spanish Armada*, which retired within the Port of *Melazzo*.

Ditto, Yesterday arrived here his Excellency the Lord *John Berkeley*, Ambassador Extraordinary from His Majesty of *Great Britain*; it is said his Excellency will not make any long stay in this Court, but that after having had an Audience of the King, he will begin his journey for *Nimeguen*, the place appointed for the Treaty, whither Sir *William Temple*, at present Ambassador on the part of His said Majesty of *Great Britain* at the *Hague*, will likewise forthwith repair together with Sir *Leoline Jenkins*, Judge of the High-Court of Admiralty in *England*, who, we are told, will to that end part from *London* about the latter end of the next week, or the beginning of the week following.

We are at present wanting three Posts from *Flanders*, and two from *Holland*.

Advertisements.

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It is desired by Mr. *Thomas Merry* the younger of *Gosshall* in *Leicestershire*, That his Father for himself and his Grandchildren; That his Brother *Edward* and Sister *Judith*; And that his Fathers Creditors would be pleased to come or send Persons fully instructed and impowred, to Mr. *Goodmough* at his Chamber by the *Temple-Church*, on the 14 day of *February* next, who will then jointly treat with them, for the satisfaction of all their Debts and just demands.

Lost on Monday, *Novemb. the 22. past*, out of the *Wagon-Coach*, passing from *Hereford* to *London*, a Letter directed to Mrs. *Dinah Fenny*, with a Bill of Exchange of 50 *l.* in it, charged upon one Mr. *Weyham* a Merchant in *London*, with another inclosed Letter to Mrs. *Dinah Fenny*, wherein is another Bill of Exchange. And if any Bills of Exchange be directed to any person payable to the said Mrs. *Dinah Fenny*, or so Mr. *Peter Gumley*, 'tis desired they would not pay the same, unless to one of them in person. And if any one can give notice of the Bills of Exchange to Mr. *Gumley* at the sign of the *Cabinet* in the *Strand*, he shall be well rewarded.