

rather for that the Castle there was almost thought impregnable, as well because of its natural situation, as its fortifications, and the strong Garrison that was in it, with a provision of all things necessary. However, we doubt not but the Enemy will find it a harder work to make themselves Masters of any other of our strong places, which are *Denmin, Gripswaldt, Anclam, and Stezin*, as well for that they are sufficiently provided for their defence, as that the winter season is come on, which puts an end to all actions of that kind, and against Spring we hope to be in a better condition to receive the Enemy. We are told that the Elector of *Brandenburg* has commanded his Troops to attack *Anclam*, which we can hardly believe, for it is a place of great strength, and has a Garrison of 2000 Men in it.

Basse, Nov. 26. The Catholick Cantons being much dissatisfied that the Crown of *Spain* had of late omitted to pay them the yearly Pension, stipulated by the Treaty they have with that Crown, had resolved to send to the Governor of *Milan*, on this subject, but upon that Governor's having lately remitted a considerable sum to the Count de *Casari*, Spanish Ambassador to the said Cantons, they are pretty well pacified. The eighth of the next Month will be held a general Assembly of the 13 Cantons at *Arram*, where it will be among other things deliberated, how far the Treaty between them and the House of *Austria* obliges them not to grant assistance to its Enemies, and whether it will not be necessary to send Ambassadors to be present at the Treaty at *Nimeguen*.

Ratisbonne, Nov. 28. The overflowings of the Rivers has been the cause that we have not of late received our Letters so regularly from *Vienna*, and those parts, as at other times, the last we had said; that Commissioners were arrived at *Vienna*, from the Prince of *Transylvania*, who had desired the Emperor would please to appoint some of his Ministers to treat with them, for the composing the troubles which still remain in *Hungary*, the said Prince engaging for those that hitherto have been in Arms, that they shall do whatever becomes true and faithful Subjects, provided they may have assurance of living in quiet and security for the future. The same Letters tell us, that the Bishop and Prince of *Gurck* was intended, according to the orders he had received from the Emperor, to set out very suddenly on his journey to *Nimeguen*. The Elector of *Bavaria* remains firm in his Neutrality, resolving not to exceed its bounds on the one or the other side; and, therefore we are told, that his Electoral Highness has declared to the Swedish Envoy at his Court, that he cannot give any assistance to the King his Master, not being obliged thereunto by the Treaty that is between them.

Bonne, Decemb. 2. The quitting of the Posts about *Philipsburgh* by the Troops of the Circles, who were left to guard them, has occasioned very great complaints against the Directors of the Circles, who sent those orders to the said Troops, without so much as communicating them to the Marquis of *Baden Dourlach*, General of the Empire, and we shall expect to hear how they will be able to justify themselves at the Dyet, whither the said General is gone to complain of an action so much in contempt of the Authority of the Empire, and so prejudicial to the common interests in this conjuncture. From *Esslingen* they write, That General *Montecuculi* had by his great prudence and moderation almost overcome those many difficulties that did arise in the matter of Win-

ter-quarters, and that therefore he was preparing for his return to *Vienna*, leaving a doubt in some whether he will return to the Army in the Spring, by reason of his great age, on account of which he seems desirous to excuse himself from the command he now bears.

Frankfort, Decemb. 4. We cannot yet certainly learn the intention of the French in bringing so many Troops into *Alsacia*: most people had believed, that their design was upon *Lauterburgh*, to open the passage of the *Rhine*, but at present we perceive that they of *Strasburgh* begin to grow somewhat jealous lest the French in revenge of their having no better maintained this Neutrality this Summer, should turn their Arms against them. The other day there hapned a scuffle in our Neighbourhood; some Imperial Troops would by force have taken their Winter-quarters in certain Villages belonging to this City, which the Country people opposed to far, that several of the Imperialists were killed, with a Lieutenant, and it is not to be doubted but the disorder would have gone farther had not our Magistrates sent out a party from hence to quiet the Bores, and had not the Imperialists retired. Levies are making in all these parts for the recruiting the old Imperial Regiments, and the general discourse is, that the Emperors Army the next Spring will be more considerable than it has been yet since the War. General *Montecuculi* is still at *Esslingen*.

Cologne, Decemb. 4. From *Lipstadt* we have advice, that the *Brandenburg* Troops which were employed in conjunction with the other Confederates in the Dutchy of *Bremen*, are gone to their Winter-quarters, in the Country of *Cleves*, and that the *Lunenburg* and *Munster* Troops are quartered in *Westphalia*, though to the great dissatisfaction of the Bishop, who pretends to have his Territories excepted from quartering any Soldiers but his own. Our last Letters from *Vienna* assure us, that the Emperors Plenipotentiaries will be very suddenly on their way to *Nimeguen*. The generality of people wish for nothing more than to see the Ambassadors met there, and the Conferences begun there in order to a general Peace, which will be to them the more welcome to these Countreys by how much they suffer by the War. From *Hydelberg* we have Letters which tell us, that the Treaty between the Palatinate and the Garrison of *Philipsburgh* is punctually executed concerning the paying of Contributions, by which means that Country is freed from the incursions of that Garrison.

Harwich, Decemb. 11. The Packet-boats which should bring the Letters of yesterday was seven night, and of Tuesday last from Holland, are still wanting, occasioned by the ill weather we have of late had; and we are in fear of hearing of great losses at Sea.

Dover, Decemb. 11. We are now wanting two Mails from Flanders, and one from France, so that we are without any foreign news. In the Downs is arrived a Vessel from *Bourdeaux*, the Master whereof assures us, that upon the removal of the Parliament to *Vannes*, a great many families had quitted that place, and that it was believed more would follow.

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