

*Esslingen, Nov. 1.* We have for several dayes been in expectation of General *Montecuculi's* departure from hence on his return to *Vienna*, but as yet we hear nothing thereof, which has made some believe his Excellency would continue here the whole Winter, though there be others that are of a contrary opinion, and persuade themselves, that he desires to be eased of the command of the Army, his age, rendering the cares and fatigues which are inseparable from it, insupportable to him; and that in order thereunto, he desires to return to *Vicenna*, that he may dispose the Emperor to appoint his Successor before the opening of the next Campaign: it seems to be the general opinion, that in such case, the Duke of *Lorraine* will succeed in the Command of the Army, and that amongst others Count *Souches* will assist him therein. We are told that General *Montecuculi* is much concerned, to see his design of blocking up of *Philipsburgh*, which he had formed so much to the advantage of the *Palatinate*, and the common interest of the Allies, disappointed by the untowardness of the Directors of the Circles to whom the Troops did belong that were posted about that place, and as well he as the General of the Empire greatly complains thereof.

*Spire, Decemb. 3.* The French still make a Mine, as if they intend to make some attempt upon the Imperialists in their Winter-quarters; if not, *Strasbourg* has great reason to suspect their intentions towards them: and the truth is, the Magistrates and Inhabitants of that City, who know their carriage towards the French has not been very fair, are not without great jealousies, though what ground they have for them time must shew. The Imperialists at present entertain us with an account of the considerable Levies they are making against the next Campaign; and if it prove true what they tell us, they will have a very brave Army in the Field at Spring. The French on their part are not wanting to do the like, so that amidst the discourses of Peace, the several Parties seem chiefly intent upon the carrying on of the War.

*Bremen, December 3.* The *Brandenburgh* Troops, who had their Winter-quarters assigned them in the Countrey of *Wursten*, have sold the same to the *Munsters* for 4500 Rixdollers per month, and are marched towards the Countrey of *Cleve*. The Campaign is now wholly ended in these parts, but the *Confederates* give out that they will be very early in the Field again in the Spring.

*Lige, Decemb. 5.* It is not to be said, what Complaints the poor Countrey people make of the hard usage they receive from the Troops that are quartered in this Diocess, whom they are forced to provide with Meat, Bread, Beer, Hay, Straw, &c. and besides all this, are obliged to pay Contributions to the *Spaniards*. A strong party of Dutch was the other day within half a League of this City, and threatened to destroy all with Fire and Sword, unless Contributions be likewise paid to them. There are at present 6000 Dutch in *Tongres*, which they fortifie. The French demand 1700 Rixdollers per month of the Town of *Weset*; or in case they are not able to raise the same, to receive a Garrison, and to maintain it. The hopes we had amongst all these miseries of a free Trade with our Neighbors, begin to vanish again; for we understand, that new hindrances have lately hapned.

*Dover, Decemb. 13.* This morning the Ca-

*lais* Pacquet-Boat ventured to Sea, with a very hard gale of Wind at W. S. W. but the *Flanders* Mail remains still here, the Pacquet-Boats being all on the other side; and till the Wind abates, we cannot expect them.

*Portsmouth, Decemb. 14.* Some dayes since an *Ostend* Privateer took a small French Vessel laden with Salt, which the Master redeemed for a Sum of Money he raised here; but in his return to *France*, was met and taken by another Privateer of *Ostend*, who however enjoyed his purchase not long, for it hapned that as the *Ostender* was carrying his Prize home, two small French Men of War met them, and took both the Caper and his Prize.

*Deale, Decemb. 14.* The Wind continues very high at S W. and keeps the Dutch *East-India* ships (of which we have formerly told you) outward bound, still in the *Downes*, with about 200 Sail of Merchantmen more, most English, outward bound: And many ships come in daily from the Westward; and amongst the rest this day arrived His Majesties Frigate the *Maryrose*, from the *Streights*. Notwithstanding the ill weather we have had, the said ships in the *Downes* have not (God be thanked) sustained any considerable damage that we hear of.

*Harwich, Decemb. 14.* The Wind continuing for the most part Westerly, and very Tempestuous, hinders the arrival of our Pacquet-Boats from *Holland*; they are now all absent, the last sailing from hence on the 8th instant.

*Whitehall, Decemb. 15.* The 13th instant, his Excellency Sir *Leoline Jenkins*, Judge of His Majesties High-Court of Admiralty, one of His Ambassadors Extraordinary and Plenipotentiaries for the Treaty of Peace to be held at *Nimeguen*, took his leave of His Majesty, in order to his sudden departure.

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