

# The London Gazette.

Published by Authority.

From Monday March 6, to Thursday March 9. 1675.

Rathbonde, Febr. 27.

**T**HE 20th instant arrived here Mr. Skelton Envoy Extraordinary from His Majesty of Great Britain to the Emperor, to negotiate certain matters relating to a General Peace: But it is said that he has received directions from England to remain here till farther order. The Dyet hath finally resolved to prohibit the bringing in of all French Manufactures into the Empire, and at present they are consulting how to have their resolution in this matter most effectually executed. Our last Letters from Vienna told us, that the Emperess continues still very much indisposed, which occasions much trouble at that Court: That General Montecchi would not pass thence, till towards the latter end of the next month, and that it was believed that the Emperor would give Count Solesmes some command in this Campaign, he having entirely justified himself of whatever had been objected against him relating to his conduct in the Campaign of 1674. in *Flanders*.

*Vienna, March 1.* This week was celebrated here the Birth-day of the Emperess Dowager, but not with that Solemnity as usually, because of the indisposition of the Emperess, who, as she does not grow worse, so mends very little. We are told that 50000 Crowns have been ordered hither from *Spain*, of which 20000 are to be paid to the Elector of *Reves*, to make good to him in some measure the damage he hath suffered by the *Fyech*, and the remaining 30000 are in part of the Subsidy payable by *Spain* to this Court. Preparations are making at *Newstadt* for the reception there of the Queen Dowager of *Poland*, for which reason the Prince of *Furstenberg* hath been removed from thence to the Castle *Brun*, however it's feared the indisposition of the Emperess may hinder the interview that was intended to be held the next month between their Imperial Majesties, and the Queen Dowager at *Newstadt*. It is said that the *Confederates* have finally agreed, that after the conclusion of the War, *Carelsstadt* shall be demolished, but that in the mean time it shall remain in the condition it now is in. We do not yet hear anything of the departure of the Emperors Plenipotentiaries from hence for *Nimeguen*.

*Strasbourg, March 6.* Yesterday in the evening we received advice, that the French are preparing to pass the *Rhine* again, and to make an incursion into the Country of *Brissavia*, though it's probable they may be prevented by the *Imperialists*, who are drawing out of their Winter-quarters towards the *Rhine*, to observe them. The Imperial parties are frequently abroad, and render the commerce between us and the French very insecure; the other day an Imperial party took between *Stolhouen* and *Kastel*, a Wagon, in which they found three small Barrels of powder, each 5000 Crowns, going from hence to *Philipsburgh*: though we hear that several Inhabitants of this City claim the said monies, and say it was designed to *Spire*. We expect the *Sieur Verjus*, who is to reside here on the part of *France*. On Monday last the Duke of *Lorraine* went from his quarters, to that of the

Prince of *Baden*, General of the Imperial Artillery, at *Esslingen*; and the next day his Highness, the Prince of *Baden*, and General *Vermuller*, parted for *Eusterburgh*, to visit the Fortifications there, which they found in a very good posture; and the 4th instant, General *Vermuller* returned to his quarters in the Duchy of *Wirttemberg*.

*Cologne, March 10.* The Duke of *Newburgh* proceeds with his Levies, intending to raise a Body of 7000 Foot, 1000 Horse, and 500 Dragoons; we cannot yet say for what service they are designed, farther than to secure his Countries from the vexations they have been subject to since the War. The Garrison of *Mayence* is reinforced with 1500 *Imperialists*, and people work there with great application on the new Fortifications that are raising, for the greater security of that City, upon which it is very much apprehended the French have some design. Our Letters from *Manheim* arrived this morning, give us an account, that the Commander of *Fretten* in the *Palatinate*, understanding that a party of the Garrison of *Philipsburgh*, which had been abroad to gather Contributions, was returning home with a great deal of Booty and that they were to pass his Neighborhood, sent out some Troops, who fell upon the French, and totally routed them, and eased them of their Booty. From *Alsatia* they write, that the French are again drawing 30000 men together, with intention to repair the *Rhine* and to revenge the loss they lately suffered at *Buchholtz*, by pillaging the whole Country of *Brissavia*. On the other side, the Imperial parties are likewise abroad; it is said one of them took the last week a Wagon which was laden with a very considerable Sum of French monies going from *Strasbourg* to *Philipsburgh*.

*Berlin, March 6.* Preparations are making for another incursion into *Pomerania*, and to make some farther progress there. Our Advices tell us, That the *Suedes* will have a good Army this Summer in these parts, they expecting very considerable reinforcements from *Sueden*, *Finland*, &c.

*Hamburg, March 9.* The *Suedes* of *Stade* having of late been frequently abroad, and plundered and burnt one or two Villages belonging to the *Danes*; these last, to secure themselves against the like Insults for the future, fitted out at *Altena* a Merchantman of considerable burthen to serve for a Man of War, putting in her 36 pieces of Cannon, and Men and other Arms and Provisions proportionable. The 6th inst. at this Man of War sailed from *Altena*, attended with another of 8 Guns, and several other smaller Vessels and, as we hear, they have taken their station before the River *winge*, which makes the Communication between *Stade* and the *Elbe*, so that by this means the *Suedes* will be blocked up on the side of the water, if they do not remove the *Danes* from their station, as it's said they are preparing to do. We have here the ill news, that four of our Merchantmen coming from *Spain*, have been arrested at *Gluckstadt*, by order of the King of *Denmark*, for what reason we cannot learn. Our Merchants and their Effects are still under Arrest at *Magdeburg*, the Depu-

ties our Magistrates sent on this Subject to the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, not having been able to effect anything; and we hear that the Bishop of *Munster* has likewise caused a Declaration to be issued against this City, because of the assistance that hath, as is said, been privately sent from hence to the *Suedes*.

*Liege, March 10.* The French of *Masfricht* have commanded all the Boors of that Neighborhood to bring their Forage thither, and great quantities of Hay are likewise sent daily from hence to *Masfricht*. There is not as yet any appearance of the French quitting our Citadel, though it's certainly said that the Cattle of *Huy* will be wholly demolished in a day or two. Preparations are making at *Masfricht* to lodge 8 or 10000 men, so that it seems this Country must still be the seat of the War.

*Brussels, March 13.* We are told that by the last Spanish Ordinary, his Excellency received Bills of Exchange from *Madrid* for 300000 Crowns more, to be employed for the service of these Countries. The French begin to give us great Alarms, and we expect every day to hear that they have invested *Ipres*, or some of our Frontier places; they have already a Body of 12000 Men together near *Tournay*, and are drawing more Forces from other parts. It is said that they have built at *Tournay* six small Frigats, each of which to carry six Guns, and 400 Men, to be employed for the attacking any Town by water, and are so contrived, that they can be carried over Land upon wheels. We are told, that several Companies of Dutch Foot are already arrived at *Malines*, and at *Ghent*, and more are to follow, in all 10 or 12000 men, which are to be put into our several places, till such time as the Prince of *Orange* is ready to take the Field, when he will withdraw them again. Some dayes since we had advice, That the Governor of *Aeth* had commanded all the Peasants of the Neighbouring Villages to repair with their Wagons and Carts on the 15 of the next month to *Aeth*, with a promise that in consideration thereof, part of their Contributions should be abated. The 10 instant, a party of the Garison of *Namur* plundered and burnt the Abby of *Asne* in the Countrey of *Liege*, where the French had made great provision of Oats, Straw, and Hay; and it's said that the Governor of *Charlevoix* having been abroad near *Chastellet*, escaped narrowly, being taken Prisoner by another of our parties. The *Sieur Fariau* is parted hence for *Treves*, of which City he is made Governor.

*Amsterdam, March 13.* His Highness is gone from *Soesdike* to *Schencken Scans*, where he will meet the Raedt Pensionary *Fagel*. We have advice from *Germany*, That the Elector of *Bavaria* is agreed with the Imperial Ministers about the quarters taken in his Countries by the Troops of the Emperor. All our Letters from *Flanders* assure us, that the French will now very speedily begin the Campagne, and that preparations were making at *Courtray* for the reception of the Most Christian King, who is expected there the beginning of the next month. Some Merchants here pretend to have Letters from *Sicily*, which give a much more advantageous account for us of the last Fight between the Lieutenant Admiral *de Ruyter* and the French, in which they say the latter had 1500 men killed and wounded.

*Hague, March 13.* In the absence of the Prince of *Orange* (who is expected back in a day or two) nothing of moment passes here. His Highness, before his going out of Town, was present in a Conference held by the Ministers of the respective Allies for the concerting the operations of the approaching Campagne, though we do

not hear that any thing was finally concluded, it being deferred till the return of the Marquis *de Grana* from *Brussels*, whither he is gone to confer with the Duke of *Villa Hermosa* on the same subject. The *States General* have resolved to depute two persons to each of the Provinces which are wanting in the payment of their Quota's of the general charge of the War, to press them to cause the said monies to be paid into the Generallity forthwith, that so those many complaints may be taken off which are now made as well by the Soldiers as others, who have not been paid through the deficiency of the said Provinces. The *Sieur Trymp* will in few dayes part hence for *Copenhagen*, being, as we have already told you, to command the Danish Fleet in the *Baltick* this Summer; the *Sieur Cornelis Everſz* is to be Vice-admiral of the said Fleet, and to command the 15 Men of War that are fitting out by this State, to be joined with those of *Denmark*. From *Copenhagen* they write, that they had news there, that 8000 *Suedes* lay ready at *Colmar*, to be Transported for *Pomeran*, so soon as the weather would permit. We are told that here is preparing a great number of scaling Ladders.

*Paris, March 13.* It is said at Court, that the King has put off his journey till the 15 of the next month, but that in the mean time the General Officers will take their way towards *Flanders* and *Germany*, to give the necessary orders. The 5th instant, the Duke of *Crequi* was received in the Parliament as Governour of this City, which was performed with much solemnity. From *Philipsburgh* they write, That that Garison continues its incursions into the Neighbouring Countries with great success, having lately plundered and burnt two small Towns or Bourgs in the Palatinate, for having wanted to pay their Contributions, as likewise the Town of *Berg-Zaberne* belonging to the Duke of *Deux Ponts*. We are told that the King has accepted the Expedient proposed by His Majesty of *Great Britain*, for the removing the difficulties arisen in the matter of the Palports.

#### Advertisements.

**W**illiam Bayly 19 years old, went away from his Master Mr. William Sheldon a Silkman on London-bridge on the 28 of February last, of a middle stature, long visage, thin whitely countenance, brown lank hair, his forehead turning up, stoops in the shoulders, in a cloth Sute light nutmeg colour, his Shoulder-knot and Hatband of Twelve-penny broad Ribbon figured, mixt with black, white, lemon, and gold; he also wears a light grey hair Camble Cloak. Whosoever shall bring him to his Master, or to Mr. Matthew Shephard Sugar-Baker in Cole-harbour in Tames-street, shall have Five pounds as a Reward.

**J**ohn Weinb about 18 years old, born at Peter-Church in Herefordshire, low of stature, markt much in the Face with the Small Pox (plays upon the Harp) in a white Perriwig, a white grey Livery lined with black; and a black Breade in every Seam, and Plate Buttons on his Coat, Ran away with several things from his Master at Bristol, the 25 of February last. Whosoever can give notice of him to Mr. James Howe at Mr. Peter Griffiths Master of the Kings-head Inn in the Strand, shall be well Rewarded.

**R**ichard Littleton born at *Amersham* in the County of *Buckingham*, aged 36 years, of a low stature, black hair, and a meagre countenance, by Trade a Cook, hath an Estate befallen him, if he make his appearance at *Amersham* aforesaid. If any person can give intelligence concerning him, either dead or alive, in *England*, or in any Transmarine part, or from what Port he sailed, with whom, and to what place bound, and shall give information at the White Hart in *Amersham* aforesaid, or at Mr. Edward Webb's Glover in Tattle-street, Westminster, his charge shall be satisfied, and he gratefully recompensed.

**H**is Majesty hath been pleased to Grant a Fair to George Penne Junior, of *Tollar-Wilme* Esq; and his Heirs forever, to be held yearly on *Tollar-Wilme Downes* near *Honstone* in the Parish of *Corcombe* in the County of *Dorset*, from the 18 day of *May*, to the 25 inclusive.