

ties our Magistrates sent on this Subject to the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, not having been able to effect any thing; 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 *Maastricht* 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 *Maastricht*. 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 *Maastricht* 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 Peasins 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 Country 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 *Steur Fariau* is parted hence for *Treves*, of which City he is made Governor.

Amsterdam, March 13. His Highness is gone from *Soestlike* to *Schencken Steans*, 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 *de 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 Trömp* 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 Everfz* 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 *de 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 Passports.

Advertisements.

William Bayly 19 years old, went away from his Master Mr. *William Sheldon* a Silkmán 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 Camblet Cloak. Whosoever shall bring him to his Master, or to Mr. *Mathew Shephard* Sugar-Baker in *Colebarbow* in *Tbames-street*, shall have Five pounds as a Reward.

John Weib about 18 years old, born at *Peter-Church* in *Hertsfordshire*, 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.

Richard 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 Webbs* Glover in *Tattle-street*, *Westminster*, his charge shall be satisfied, and he gratefully recompensed.

HIS 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 *Hoo-stone* in the Parish of *Concombe* in the County of *Dorset*, from the 18 day of *May*, to the 25 inclusive.