

From the Camp before Philipsburg, Sept. 5. Since our last we have finished a new Battery, though not without a considerable loss of Men; from whence we batter the Bastion of *Turenne*, with good effect, inasmuch that we have made very great breaches. The 3d instant it was resolved to attack the Ravelin, which lies between the Bastions of *Turenne* and the Dauphin; and 400 Men were appointed for the Assault, commanded by two Captains; about three a clock in the afternoon they made the attack, and without any great difficulty gained the Ravelin; having surprized the Enemy, who being extremely wearied through their having been in Arms all the night preceding, and through other service, were most of them asleep; but our Men not having been well seconded by the Officers, thereto appointed, and the Enemy springing two Mines, and at the same time making a vigorous Sally, forced them to retire, and to abandon the Ravelin, with the loss of 150 Men killed and wounded on our part. The last night the Besieged attempted again to burn the Fagots and other matters with which we had filled up the Ditch, and had already set fire to some, but we quickly quenched it. This afternoon we are told a general Assault will be made as well upon the said Ravelin; as upon the other Outworks, and four Regiments are appointed for that purpose. The other day our Generals sent an Officer to the Governor the *Sieur du Fay*, to persuade him to surrender the place, and avoid the shedding of more blood, seeing he was not in expectation of any relief, and that he could not be able to hold out much longer; whom the Governor sent back with this answer, That as for relief he had never expected any, and that if they knew the good condition the place was in, they would say he could not yet in a long while think of surrendering it.

Hague, Sept. 11. We are here in great expectation of hearing of a Battel between the Armies in *Flanders*, which according to our last advices were not far asunder; and the Letters from our Camp add, that our Generals very much desired an occasion to engage with the Enemy, so it might be without too great disadvantage. We are somewhat surprized at the news we have, that 3000 Munsterians are fallen into *Oost Friezeland*, that they have possessed themselves of several Posts and Passes, and that on the 8th instant they made themselves Masters of the Fortress of *Fredenburg*, into which they have put two Companies of Foot; the reason of this is said to be, that they of *Oost Friezeland* have not paid the Bishop of *Munster* the Money they agreed to pay the last Winter to be excused from furnishing Winter-quarters; others tell us, that it is to secure Winter quarters for his Troops when this Campaign is ended. The march of the *Lunenburg* and *Munster* Troops towards the *Moselle* is confirmed by our Letters from *Hamburg* and *Bremen*, and we hope they will arrive there time enough yet to give the French a diversion before Winter. The Prince of *Friezeland*, who arrived here some days since indisposed from the Army is returned home. The Princes Court is making ready against his Highnesses return, which many believe will be very speedily. The affair of the *Heer de Groer* is not yet determined; it is said, that he is accused of High Treason against the State, though at the same time he is not under any arrest, but is abroad daily.

Charleroy, Sept. 8. The 2d instant our Army under the command of the *Marschal de Schomberg*, removed from *Lichtenburg*, to the Neighborhood of *Tongres*, where the *Marschal* receiving advice that the Confederates were posted along the *Jecker* on the other side of

Wareme, and that they had laid several Bridges over the said River, as if their intention were to approach towards *Liege*, gave orders for the Army to decamp the next morning by break of day, as was accordingly done, the *Duke de Villeroi* advancing with 150 Horse to observe the Enemies motions, and the *Count de Montal*, who was at the head of the first Line on the right, advancing likewise with six Squadron of Horse, they understood, that the Enemy having broken their Bridges over the *Jecker*, were retired in good order, their Baggage having marched the night before; the *Duke de Villeroi* with his 150 Horse, marched on the left hand of the *Grand Chaussée* as far as *Thezrine*, and the *Count de Montal* on the right; and that night our Army came into the Enemies Camp at *Wareme*, who encamped the same night at *Fanche* and *Orp la Grand*, on the *Grand Chaussée*. The 4th, the Enemy marched again by break of day, and took their way between *Fudoigne* and *Perwez*, where they are posted with all the advantage possible, having a River before them, and a Moias on their right and left hand. Our Army continued the fifth at *Wareme*, in expectation of the Provisions which our Commissaries were gone to fetch from *Liege*.

Brussels, Sept. 11. The 9th instant our Army decamped from *Torrebain St Troy*, and came that night to *Gemblours*; from whence they marched again yesterday by 3 in the morning, and about break of day understood that the Enemy marched in Battalia within a League of our left Wing, towards *Charleroy*; whereupon our Generals finding it impossible to hinder their passage, without hazarding the Army too far, resolved to turn on the right hand, and so came to *Walheim*, where they encamped last night; and this morning our Army marched again to *Wavre*. We are told, that seven Squadrons of the Enemies Horse taking an opportunity to attack the Dutch and *Olnaburg* Baggage, while our Army marched the 9th instant, took part of it notwithstanding the good resistance of our Troops that guarded it.

Paris, Sept. 12. There is at present not any thing of moment to write from hence; for our Letters from *Flanders* only give us an account, that our Army was the 7th instant at *Wareme*, from whence it would remove the next morning, in order to its return to *Charleroy*; the Confederates had made several motions, and gave out that they would put themselves between our Army and *Charleroy*; but the general opinion here is, that they will part without coming to any action. The *Duke of Luxemburg* continues in *Brisgaw*, to refresh his Army, in which he had a great many sick. *Philipsburg* makes still a brave defence. The *Sieur de Trélon*, late Ambassador from this Crown in *Denmark* is arrived here, and hath given an account to his Majesty of the posture he left the Affairs in those parts. The King has given the Government of *Guyenne* to the *Duke de Roquelaure*, void by the death of the *Marschal d'Albret*, who died the 3d instant at *Bourdeaux*. We are told that the Prince Regent of *Portugal* hath offered his Mediation to the several parties engaged in the present War. We are in daily expectation of receiving some considerable news from *Sicily*.

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