

Frankfort, Jan. 29. On Tuesday last arrived here General *Ghaugnat*; and the next day the *Lunenburg* Troops that are quartered in this Neighborhood, received orders to march forthwith towards *Philipsburg*, to oppose the French, who burn and destroy the Country about *Wormes*, and in the *Lower Palatinate*. The French Garrison is not yet marched out of *Haguenaw*, having been hindered by the bad weather.

Düsseldorf, Jan. 30. The *Munster* and *Lunenburg* Troops begin to march under the command of General *Carparras*, in order to the making head against the French, who, commanded by the Count *de Bissy*, have plundered and burnt several Villages about *Wormes*, and some other Troops have done the like in the *Lower Palatinate*; for that those Villages had refused to pay the Contributions they were charged with. The said Count *de Bissy* has put a Garrison of 2000 Men into *Ormyer*, and is advanced towards *Birkenfeldt*, *Tbaun* and *Meyenheim*. This City has agreed to pay 24000 Crowns in lieu of the Winter-quarters they ought to have furnished; but whether the Imperial Generals will remain satisfied therewith we are as yet to learn. The French have not yet quitted *Deuxponts*, but are hard at work for the demolishing it.

Cologne, Jan. 30. It is thought that the Plot which hath been discovered for delivering *Juliers* into the hands of the French, will hasten the Duke of *Newburg* return into these parts. We are told that the Danish Ministers meet hitherto with much opposition in their endeavors for the setting a new Toll at *Gluckstadt* on the *Elbe*, by the consent of the Electoral College; and we are informed that our Elector hath received a Letter from His Majesty of *Great Britain* on this Subject, as have likewise, as we are informed, the other Electors. Levies are making in all these parts for the Emperor, the Duke of *Newburg*, Bishop of *Munster*, and Bishop of *Osnaabrug*, which makes that they advance very slowly, and that the Officers are often cheated by those who run from one party to another, and receive money from all.

Amsterdam, Febr. 2. The Merchants here have Letters from *Mosco*, which among other things relating to their Trade, speak of the great endeavors that were used by the Danish Minister at that Court, to induce the Czar to enter into a War against *Sueden*, and that he had given in a large Memorial on that Subject. From *Nimeguen* they tell us, that the several Ambassadors had finally made choice of two Rooms in the *Stadt-house*; in one of which the Ambassadors of the Emperor and the Allies, and in the other those of *France* and *Sueden* would have their Conferences, in order to the facilitating the Work of the Peace. Our Letters from *Hamburg* and those parts are not yet come in, so that we have nothing new from *Denmark*.

Hague, Febr. 3. The Marquis *de Conflans*, who lately arrived from *Brussels*, continues here, in expectation of his Highnesses return hither, till when no answer will be given to the request he makes in the name of the Governor of the Spanish Netherlands, to be immediately assisted with 12 Regiments from hence, which are to be put into several Garrisons, that so the Duke *de Villa Hermosa* may draw out the Spanish Troops and take the Field with them, till such time as the Prince of *Orange* shall be able to take the Field likewise with his Army.

Brussels, Febr. 2. In our last we told you, that the French Troops under the command of the Count *de Nassau*, had left *Hall*, after having caused the Gates

and part of the Walls to be blown up, and great quantities of Corn and Forage to be transported from thence to *Conde*, and other their Garrisons; since we understand that they have settled a quarter at *Braine le Comte*, and that they have at present there 30 Companies of Foot, and 8 Troops of Horse. The *Marschal d'Humieres* continues at *Eughien*, and the *Sieur de Montal* at *Nivelle*, eating up the Country round about them. The great Convoy designed for *Maastricht* is not yet gone, but all things are preparing for it: and we are told that the *Sieur de Montal* is causing a large way to be made through the Woods from *Nivelle* to *Charleroy*. From *Ipres* and those parts we have likewise advice, that 4000 French were come within few days to *Aire*; and 2000 more to *Dunkirk*; that at both those places great quantities of Ammunition, &c. and several pieces of Cannon for Battery were embarking; which makes us suspect the Enemy intends to besiege *St Omer*, they having already possessed themselves of all the Castles and places of strength in the Neighborhood of that City. Amidst these great preparations of our Enemy, we are likewise here endeavouring what we can to put our selves into a posture of defence; and besides, are in expectation of considerable assistances from our Allies, which we hope will be sufficient to secure us against the storm that seems to threaten us. We very impatiently expect to hear of the arrival of *Don Juan* at *Madrid*, and that matters are settled there; for till then the Merchants of *Antwerp* will not venture to discharge the Bills drawn upon them by their Correspondents in *Spain*; and this has been the reason, that of a Million and a half, or two Millions, that were some time since remitted hither from *Spain*; our Governor has hitherto been only able to prevail with the Bankers to pay 50000 Crowns.

Ghent, Febr. 3. The French have already brought Troops enough into these Provinces to form a very considerable Army, and they only expect till the weather be a little more favourable to their designs to draw them together; and in the mean time they maintain their Troops at our cost, being quartered at *Nivelle*, *Eughien*, *Braine le Comte*, &c. where besides they have provided themselves with great quantities of Forage. We cannot yet discover what the true designs of the Enemy are, who in the mean time amuse us with various reports of their intending to besiege *Mons*, *Valenciennes*, *Cambray* or *St Omer*. In a short time we may perfectly be informed.

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