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*Messina, Jan. 15.*

**T**Here has not of late passed any action in these parts Monsieur du Mesne who fled from hence some time since, with the Men of War to Cruise, is still abroad, his ships we hear have been very ill treated by bad weather, in which his Hospital Ship foundered, and of 100 men, only 7 were saved, and three of his Frigats separated from him, which are still wanting.

*Vina, Febr 15.* The 10 instant came hither the Bishop of Gurcke, the first of the Emperors Ambassadors for the Treaty at Nimeguen, in order to the receiving his instructions and final dispatches, and the beginning his journey towards Nimeguen. The Marquis de los Balbaes the Spanish Ambassador means likewise to part from hence before the end of this month. The Emperor has appointed a meeting here of several persons of the greatest quality in Hungary, who are to consult together, and to represent to the Emperor the means which they think most proper for the reducing those of the Malecontents of Hungary which are not yet come into submit themselves, and to lay hold of the Emperors Grace, which is now tendered to them. The Count Montecuculi's Equipage is preparing here; for it is certain his Excellency will command the Emperors Army this next Campaign, and that the Duke of Lorraine will act with a separate Body, composed chiefly of the Troops of the Circles, orders have been sent to the Governor of Raab to cause the Turkish Chiaus who is there, to take his journey hither; but as yet we hear nothing of the solemn Embassie which it was formerly said the Grand Signior was resolved to send to this Court, to confirm the Treaties depending between the two Empires.

*Berlin, Febr. 17.* A party of Soldiers having lately surprized several Burgher of *Stein*, who happened to be abroad, and brought them prisoners hither, his Electoral Highness before his departure from hence towards *Wesel*, gave them their liberty, and leave to return home, his Highness declaring that he did not make War against the Inhabitants of any place in *Pomeran*, but only against the Suedes. A great many persons are daily at work in our Arsenal to prepare Fire-works, which are to be made use of for the attacking of places. A Placet or Edict hath been within these few days published for the levying a Tax per Head; which will raise a very considerable Sum of Money, to be employed for carrying on the War. From *Stralsund* we understand, that they expect a great supply of Men and Money from *Sueden*, so soon as the season is proper for their Fleets to put to Sea, which is fitting with great application at *Stockholme*.

*Dantzick, Febr. 19.* We are preparing here for the reception of their Majesties of *Poland*, who have signified to our Magistrates their intention of taking a journey hither presently after the conclusion of the Dyet, which is now assembled at *Warsaw*. According to our

last advices from thence we have reason to promise our selves great good from the said Dyet, and that several resolutions will be taken for the confirming the Peace with the Turks, the raising of Money for the discharging the arrears of the Army, &c. The Elector of *Brandenburg* has sent a command that in *Prussia* all men from 15 to 50 years shall take Arms to be ready to act for the defence of the Country in case there shall be occasion. We have Letters from *Mosco* which inform us of the great disorder that Court was in, occasioned by the discovery of a treasonable practice against the Czar, for which several persons of quality had been imprisoned, and a strict examination had been taken of others.

*Hamburg, Febr. 27.* The last Letters we received from *Denmark*, gave us an account; that the preparations for the approaching Campaign were carried on with good success, and that with the Succors the King expects from the Dukes of *Lunenburg* and Bishop of *Munster* his Majesty would have a very powerful Army, which would be transported into *Schonen*. The Duke of *Zell* raises several new Regiments. The Ministers of the Allies, who are concerned in the Conquests that have been made upon the Suedes in the Dutchies of *Bremen* and *Feyden*, will have another meeting at *Bremen*, to agree the partition of the same; to which it is reported that the King of *Denmark* has quitted his pretensions, in consideration of the Succors the Duke of *Lunenburg* and the Bishop of *Munster* are to give him.

*Strasburg, Febr. 22.* Yesterday the Electoral Prince of *Saxony*, who hath passed some time in this City, parted from hence on his way to *Esslingen*, where the Duke of *Lorraine* and the other Imperial Generals have their Head-quarter. The *Sieur de Fay* has taken possession of the Government of *Brisac*, which place the French continue to fortifie, as likewise *Schieffstadt*. We have advice from *Suisserland*, that the several Cantons have appointed a general assembly to be held at *Baden*.

*Brisac, Febr. 26.* The orders are come from the Court of *France*, for the demolishing the Fortress of *Saverne*; as for the Town it's believed the King will grant it a Neutrality. *Montbelliard* will likewise be razed; but the Castle will be fortified, and the *Sieur de Beaulieu* is to command there. The necessary orders have been likewise given for the fortifying the Castle of *Blamont*, of which the *Sieur de la Paterie* is Governot. The Marquis de *Baden Dourlach* General of the Forces of the Circles is lately dead; we do not yet hear that any person is made choice of to succeed in that command, which will not be very necessary for the future, if what is reported be true, viz. That most of the Imperial Towns have disbanded the Troops they had, not being able longer to maintain them; and at the same time to provide the Emperors Troops with Winter-quarters. The French continue to make great spoils in *Alsace*, and on the *Moselle*; and we are told they have already destroyed above 500 Villages, Castles and Bourgs.

*Cologne;*

*Cologne, Febr. 26.* The 22 instant their Electoral Highnesses of *Brandenburg* arrived at *Bielefeld*; and the next day the Elector was expected at *Lijstadt*, the Electress remaining at the Castle of *Sparenberg* near *Bielefeld*. The Bishop of *Munster*, who hath been somewhat indisposed, is now perfectly well again, and the news we had of the death of the Bishop of *Paderborne* is contradicted. All the Cavalry and Infantry which was quartered in *Over-Issel* and *Friesland* are on their march towards the *Meuse*; the 24 and 25 they were to pass the *Rhine* near *Nimeguen*, where a Bridge was accordingly provided for them. The Duke of *Neuburg* will be here to-morrow or next day.

*Hague, March 2.* The Letters we receive from *Flanders* tell us, that the French Troops are on their march from several places, in order to the beginning the Siege of some place, which in appearance will be *Valenciennes* or *Mons*. This news we believe will hasten the Prince of *Orange's* return hither, in order to his taking the Field for the relief of such place as shall be attacked. The Heer *Tromp* is suddenly expected here from *Danzmark*, to preside the Equipage of the Men of War designed for the *Baltick*. From *Vienna* they write, that the Emperor was sending an Envoy Extraordinary to His Majesty of *Great Britain*, to reside at his Court.

*Brussels, March 2.* On Sunday the French Cavalry that was quartered at *Nivelle*, marched from thence with several Field-pieces, and the next day was followed by the Infantry, taking their march under the command of the Sieur de *Montal*, towards *Conde* and *Fourmay*; at the same time the Troops that were at *Enghien*, commanded by the Count de *Nancré*, likewise marched from thence; those were at *Binch*, *Baway*, *Mabeuge* and *Keiveraing*, are also dislodged; and according to their several motions, we have reason to believe that they are going to besiege *Valenciennes*. And at the same time our Letters from *Osland* and those parts advise, that in all appearance the Enemy will likewise besiege *St Omer* or *Ipres*. Yesterday Monsieur *Dickfield*, Envoy at this Court from the States General, parted from hence on his return to the *Hague*, being appointed to accompany the Prince of *Orange* this Campaign, as one of the States Deputies. It is said that when he took his leave of his Excellency, he assured him, that his Highness would be very near this place with his Army the 1<sup>st</sup> of the next Month. The Letters we receive from *Spain* by the last Ordinary give an account, That the Queen had made choice of *Votedo* to go and reside at; That the Regiment of Guards was designed for *Sicily*; That 8000 Foot and 4000 Horse were appointed to serve in *Catalonia* this approaching Campaign; That 30 Men of War were fitting out with all possible diligence at *Cadix*; And that by the next Ordinary a supply of three Millions of Crowns will be remitted hither for the service of these Countreys.

*Madrid, Febr. 27.* The Men of War designed to return with a supply to *Messina* are fitting out at *Ibion*; and we are assured they will be ready to sail by the beginning of *April*. By a Bark arrived here from *Genova* we have advice, that of the seven Spanish Men of War that lately sailed with Soldiers from *Finis*, designed to *Messina*, two are cast away, and the other five put into *Portogone*, where they are narrowly watcht by several French Men of War.

*Paris, March 6.* In our last we told you of the Kings departure from *St Germain* towards *Flanders*, to command his Forces there in Person. On Sunday night his Majesty lodged at *Compiene*, the next day at *Couancy*, on Tuesday at *St Quentin*, on Wednesday at *Chasteau Cambresis*, and on Thursday in the Camp before *Valenciennes*, which place had been invested three days before by the Duke of *Durbin* and the Sieur de *Mohé*

tal, the Marechal d' *Humieres* having the same day invested *Mons*. The King before his departure nominated the Prince de *Soubise*, the Duke de *Villeroy*, the Count d' *Anvergne*, Colonel General of the Light-horse, the Counts of *Plissy*, de *Bissy*, de *Crazeron*, de *Mombiron*, and de *Gassion*; the Marquisses de *Genlis*, de *Fayen*, de *Rennes*, and de la *Troisfe*; and the Sieur de *Montclar*, to command his Forces this Campaign in the quality of Lieutenant-Generals; and the Count de *Ajen*, the Prince Palatin of *Birkenfeld*, the Chevalier de *Foumbin*, the Marquis de *Lamberf*, de *Renis*, de *Bouffers*, de *Tillader*, de *Quincy*, de *Schomberg* and de la *Radiere*, the Chevalier de *Tillader*, the Count de *Brogno*, the Sieurs d' *Albret*, de *Bocquemar*, de *Cezar*, d' *Oriss*, de *Perreys*, du *Ranche*, de *Revelion*, and de *Bennets* to be Marshalls de *Camp*. To-morrow the Duke of *Orleans* will begin his Journey towards *Flanders*, where he will likewise command an Army. Here is arrived an Ambassador from the Cham of *Tartary*. From the Camp before *Valenciennes* we have an account, that the *Trenches* were intended to be opened on Friday night last.

*Deal, Febr. 25.* Yesterday [there were about 220 sail in the Downs, and in the afternoon the wind coming N. E. the smaller Vessels weighed and sailed; but the wind on the sudden increasing, one of them had the misfortune to run ashore, about a Mile from this place; and was broke in pieces; but the Men, which were in all but four, were saved. It is now moderate weather, and the Wind at North and by East, and all the great Ships outward bound are under sail.

*Portsmouth, Febr. 27.* On the 26 instant, sailed from the Spithead, the three remaining Dutch Men of War of the Sieur *Allemonds* Squadron commanded by Captain *Calenberg*, by Captain *Jan de Gough*, and Captain *Vander Lane*.

#### Advertisements.

☞ A modest Plea for the Clergy: 'W herein is briefly considered, the Original, Antiquity, Necessity; together with the spurious and genuine occasions of their present Contempt.

☞ The Works of *Homér*: Containing his *Iliad*; and *Odysses*. Translated into English by *Thomas Hobbes* of *Malmesbury*: Together with a large Preface written by the Translator. Both sold by *W. Crook* at the *Green Dragon* without *Temple-bar*.

**W**HEREAS the Lord Chief Justice of *England* hath issued out his Warrant for the apprehending of one *Booker*, of a middle stature, about 40 or 42 years of age, well set; very thick legs, inclining to fat, grayish eyes, full faced, of a downish look, black short lank hairs, for having cheated several Merchants: These are therefore to give Notice, that whatsoever shall discover him at the General Post-Office, so as he may be taken, shall have 20 l. reward.

**W**HEREAS *Judas Bringess*, *John Crosmen*, *Anthony Gimlett*, *John Bunker*, *Thomas Daniels*, *Charles Daniel*, *Ewan Tarwopit*, *John Taylor*, *John Austine*, *John Owens*, *Joseph Whittings*, *John Price*, *Henry Murricks*, *William Smith*, *John Clement*, *William Perkins*, *Thomas Offis*, *Robert* and *Joseph Burriess*, *William Claude*, *William Robinson*, *Richard Armsball*, one *Legg*, *Thomas Tates*, and divers others presume, in contempt of Authority, to infect the Countreys with Lotteries; and Games resembling Lotteries (notwithstanding several former Advertisements to the Civil Magistrates) some by pretended Authority, some by counterfeited Deputations, and others (as we are informed) by Connivance of some inferior Officers, to the great Damage, if not ruine of several truly Loyal Indigent Officers, to whom His Majesty for their Sufferings and Services, hath granted all Lotteries for the term of Thirteen years, with Prohibition to all others. It is therefore earnestly desired, That all Mayors, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, Bayliffs, Constables, &c. would effectually suppress all such Persons as shall Erect or Exercise any Lotteries, or Games resembling Lotteries, other than such as are or shall be Deputed under the Hands of some of the Commissioners for all Lotteries, and the Seal of the Lottery Office, with this Inscription, *MELIOR A DESIGNAVIT*.

**R**OGER *Lawrence* of the Parish of *Shadwell* near *London*, aged about 44 years, a thick short man, having short brown hair; a dark brown Cloth Coat, a light gray pair of Breeches, and a Cloth Doublet, being troubled with the Falling Sickness, and something Mopish, went away from his Mother about the 14 of *January* last past. Whoever gives notice of him to his mother *Elijabeth Lawrence*, near *Newspaper Lane* in *Shadwell* shall be well rewarded.