

ders; but this is certain, that very considerable Magazines are providing at *Trèves* and *Luxemburg*, for the use of the said Imperial Troops. We are told that a considerable Sum of Money hath been remitted hither from *Spain*, for the paying the arrears due to the Admiralties, on account of the last Equipage for the *Mediterranean*.

Brussels, March 16. This morning his Excellency the Duke de *Villa Hermosa*, received advice from the Duke d' *Archeat*, Governor of *Mons*, that the Enemy make no great progress in the Siege of *Valenciennes*, being much incommoded by the weather, which though it be fair, yet is so exreme cold, that the Soldiers suffer extremely; and besides, that their Cavalry begins to have some want of Forage. That they have four Batteries, which play incessantly upon the Town, and have done some execution, having set several houses twice on fire in the Town, which was soon quenched by the industry of the Burghers, who have taken all imaginable care to provide against such accidents, by unpaving the Streets, and making Channels in them, which they keep full of Water, &c. That the Besiegers direct their principal attack upon the Hornwork, on *Mount Auxine*, and have endeavoured to gain the Counterscarp of the same, but have been repulsed with considerable loss; and among others we are told, that the *Sieur du May*, Lieutenant General of the French Artillery, and the *Marquis de Chamilly*, with other persons of quality have been killed; and we are in great hopes here, that the Enemy will find this Siege a work of difficulty, especially if the Burghers continue the same courage and resolution they have hitherto shown to defend the place to the last. Yesterday arrived here an Express from *Germany*, bringing Letters from the Duke of *Lorraine*, dated the tenth instant, at his quarters at *Esslingen*, in which he assures his Excellency, that he would march the next day with several Imperial Regiments of Horse, making in all about 10000 men, towards the *Rhine*, which he intended for the greater convenience to pass at several places, and having joined several Troops of the Electors of *Mentz* and *Trèves*, would endeavor to fall into *France*, and to give the French a diversion. This news was extremely pleased this Court, which hopes that the Most Christian King will be by this means obliged to send part of the Forces, now employed in the Siege of *Valenciennes* towards *Germany*. From *Bergen-op-Zoom* we have likewise advice, that all the Dutch Infantry was embarked there, in order to their passing to the place of Rendezvous, the Cavalry marching by Land, under the command of Count *Waldeck*. The Letters we receive from the parts about *St Omer*, tell us, that the Enemy had indeed possessed themselves of two small Redoubts, which are about a quarter of a League from the Town, in the taking whereof the *Marquis de Gentis* was among others killed on the part of the French, but that the Prince of *Roebucke*, Governor of the place doubted not but to be able to retake the same in few days; the Letters add, that the French had quitted *Cassel*, and other Posts formerly taken by them for the blocking up of *St Omer*.

Dino, March 16. Yesterday arrived the Spanish Ordinary, and brought Bills of Exchange for a very considerable Sum of Money, which, it is said, is to be disposed towards the satisfying our Allies, as to the arrears of Subsidies which remain due to them; by this Ordinary we have advice, that the Troops which were marching towards *Catalonia*, had been recalled; That the *Marquis de Villa Sierra*, who is still kept prisoner at *Catagregra*, had confessed several matters of very great consequence to the Confessor of *Don Juan*; that the Admiral of *Castile* was deprived of that Charge and Title; and that the Queen had desired liberty to continue forty days longer

at *Madrid*, which the King had consented to. Here is arrived the Baron de *Terg vike*, who is going for *England*, with the quality of Envoy Extraordinary from the King of *Spain*. This night Count *Waldeck* will be with the Prince of *Orange's* Army between *Antwerp* and *Bergen-op-Zoom*, and we expect his Highness in few days in these parts, he intending to leave the Hague as this day.

Ghent, March 17. According to the relations we have here of the Siege of *Valenciennes*, it does not advance so fast as the French seemed to have promised themselves it would before they undertook it, as well through the brave defence made by the Besieged, as well the Soldiers as the Burghers, as through the incommodity of the weather, which makes the Soldiers suffer extremely in the Camp. The Besiegers fire upon the Town from four Batteries, and they within are not wanting to answer them in the same kind. It is said that the French have made two attacks upon the Counterscarp of the Hornwork, on *Mount Auxine*, and that they have been repulsed with great loss, though this morning it is said they have gained a point of the said Counterscarp, and that they push on their attacks with great vigor; however, we doubt not, if the Burghers continue their resolution to defend the place to the last, but the Enemy will have work enough, and that if at last they take the place, it will cost them dear. In few days we shall be able to make a better judgment concerning the success of this Siege.

Paris, March 17. The Letters we receive from the Camp before *Valenciennes*, give an account, that the Siege was pushed on with great vigor, that with their Cannon and Bomb they did great execution upon the Town, that they had gained the Counterscarp, and that they hoped to be suddenly Masters of the place. In *Germany* the Imperial Troops begin to move, and the *Marschal de Crequi*, who is at *Metz*, is preparing on his part to oppose their designs. The *Marquis de Gen* is killed in a skirmish between a party of our Troops and a like party of the Garrison of *St Omer*. From *Madrid* they tell us, that the Queen seemed desirous to retire to *Germany*, and that she had written to the Emperor about it.

Advertisements.

☞ The Man of Sin: Or a Discourse of Popery: Wherein the Numerous and Monstrous Abominations, in Doctrine and Practice of the *Romish Church*, are by their own Hands exposed to so open Light, that the very Blind may see them, and Antichrist in Capital Letters engraven on them: particularly in the infinite Drove of their Adored, but Lying Wonders and Miracles. By no Roman, but a Reformed Catholic, Sold by Robert Bialter, at the Turk's-head in Cornhill, over against the Royal Exchange.

Lost upon *Hanlow Heath*, on Tuesday last, a Sore Tassell Gentle, with the Kings Vavels. Whoever brings notice of him to Mr *Chiffinch* at *Whitehall*, shall be well rewarded.

These are to give Notice, to those Gentlemen that have subscribed for the sending in of Cocks to fight at *Newmarket*, that they will begin to fight by His Majesties Order in Easter week.

Arch the 9th, lost out of *Whitehall*, a little liver colour'd Med Spaniel Bitch, white belly, and white legs, a white tip upon her tail, and a little white upon her neck. Whoever gives notice of her at the Kings Back stairs, shall be well rewarded.

Whereas the Lord Chief Justice of *England*, hath issued out his Warrant for the apprehending of one *Nabaniel Marston*, a tall slender Man, with a great flushing in his face, grey eyes, a full fiery look, with brown hair somewhat curling, wearing a brown lerge Sute, and a brownish Campaign Coat; for being concerned in the Cheating of several Merchants, upon Counterfeit Bills of Exchange. These are therefore to give notice, that whosoever shall discover the said *Nabaniel Marston*, at the general Post Office in *London*, so as he be taken, shall have 20^l. reward.

These are to give Notice, that in *Oxford* there is set up a Boarding School for young Gentlewomen (by *John Weaver*, Master in the Art of Dancing) where they may be Educated and Instructed in the Art of Dancing, Singing, Musick, Writing, and all manner of Works, and what else shall be required that belongs to their Sex or Quality to learn; at reasonable Rates.