

Garison of *Maestricht*. At *Nimeguen* little of moment at present, for the several Ambassadors having in the demands of their respective Masters into the hands of the Mediators, and from them received the orders of their adverser party, they now expect the orders from several Courts thereupon, before any farther step can be made therein.

From the French Camp before *Cambray*, *March 24*. After the taking of *Valenciennes* on the 17 instant, in the manner you have already heard, the King commanded Rewards to be distributed among those that had well behaved themselves on that occasion; and among the rest, conferred the command of *Marschal de Camp* on the *Sieur de Jauvelle* Captain Lieutenant of the second Company of Musketeers; that of *Brigadier of Horse* on the *Marquis de Veins*, &c.. The Government of *Valenciennes* the King gave to the *Sieur Magalotti*, and the prisoners, which were about 3000, were sent to several Garisons. The 20 the King caused the Army to march, and encamped at *Haspres*, and the next day arrived before *Cambray*. His Majesty having visited the place, ordered the Line of Contravallation to be begun, which is very far advanced; and the Peasants of *Picardy* have begun to work on the Line of Circumvallation. The Kings quarter is on this side the *Schelde*, that of the Duke of *Luxemburg* on his right, and the *Marschal de Logre* on his left, and that of the *Marschal de Schemberg* on the other side of the *Schelde*. The Canons of the Cathedral of *Cambray* have sent Deputies to the King, to pray that the Officers of the Artillery may have orders to spare their Church, which the King has granted them. Several Bridges have been made for the communication of the quarters which are separated by the River. The Deserters which come out of the Town assure us, that the Governor has removed all the Cannon out of the Town into the Citadel, except eight pieces, which are to be made use of there; and that the Garison consists of 1400 Horse, and of the Regiments of Foot of *Vaudemont*, *Molenberg* and *Tilly*, one Irish Regiment, and two old Spanish Regiments. We suppose the Trenches will be opened the 27 or 28 instant. The King has commanded the *Baron de Quincy* to post himself with a Body of Horse at *Bauay*. The *Prince de Sobise*, the *Marquis de la Trouffe*, and the *Count du Pleisis* are to serve as Lieutenant Generals in the Army commanded by the Duke of *Orleans* the Kings Brother, which is composed of 40 Squadrons of Horse, and 22 Battallions of Foot. The *Sieur d'Albret*, the *Chevalier de Sourdis*, and the *Sieur Stoups*, are *Marschals de Camp* in the said Army, the *Sieur de Mommont* Major General, the *Sieur de Choisy* principal Ingenier, and the *Marquis de la Frezeriere* commands the Artillery. The great Rains have for these four days much incommoded the two Armies, and the Duke of *Orleans* expects the Kings orders before he begins the Siege of *St Omer*.

Brussels, *March 26*. The greatest part of the Prince of *Orange's* Infantry is now in *Flanders*, their Rendezvous being appointed between *Bruges* and *Ghent*. Yesterday and this day several Regiments of Horse passed our Canal, and are marched to the said Rendezvous, and the remaining Troops follow with all possible diligence. The Prince of *Orange* was on Wednesday last still at *Breda*, expecting the arrival of some Troops from *Friezeland*, whose march it seems has been somewhat retarded, by reason of a dispute between the Prince of *Orange*, and the Stadholder of *Friezeland*, about issuing out the orders for the march of the said Troops, which the latter claims to belong to him onely, as Stadholder of *Friezeland*. We

are assured, that his Highness will have a very brave Army, consisting in near 40000 men, and that he will immediately enter upon action. The last night arrived here the *Sieur Dickfeild*, the Dutch Envoy, who resided here this Summer, from the Prince of *Orange*, whom he left at *Breda* giving the necessary orders for the march of his remaining Troops towards *Flanders*. The *Count de Horne* we hear is to command a Body of 10 or 12000 men about *Kurmond*, to be composed of Dutch, *Brandenburg*, and *Neburg* Troops, for the security of their Countreys against the French at *Maestricht*. We gave you an account in our last of the news we had that the French had beseged both *Cambray* and *St. Omer*; since here has been a report in Town, that the French had possessed themselves of the Town of *Cambray*, which it was said the Garison had abandoned, and was retired into the Citadel, which we cannot hear has any ground; but on the contrary, notwithstanding the unfortunate loss of *Valenciennes*, we expect *Cambray* will make a good defence, for in it is a numerous Garison, and among others, two Spanish and an Irish Regiment, and the Governor himself is a Spaniard. This morning is arrived an Express from *Mons*, which says, they had for these two days heard great shooting there, and that they had advice that the French intended to open the Trenches before *Cambray* as this day. From *Germany* they write, that the Duke of *Lorraine* was actually on his march, that his Infantry was ordered to pass the *Rhine* at *Philipsburg*, and his Cavalry at *Mayence*, and that they were to Rendezvous at *Worms*; he will have an Army of 20000 men; with which he will endeavor to give the French a diversion, to prevent which the *Marschal de Crequi*, is, we hear, drawing all his Forces together on the *Saar*. This week the *Count Bergeycke* parted from hence for *England*, where he is to reside in quality of Envoy Extraordinary from the King of *Spain*.

Paris, *March 27*. We have the certainty, by Letters from our Camp, of the Siege of *Cambray*, and that the King arrived in person before it the 22 instant, that the Cannon was expected in the Camp as yesterday, and that this day or to morrow the Trenches would be opened. There is, as we are informed, a very good Garison in the place, consisting of several Nations, and the Governor is an old experienced Commander. The Letters we had of the 24, said, that the Siege of *St Omer* was not as yet undertaken, the Duke of *Orleans* expecting first farther orders from the King. The 24 instant the several Foreign Ministers residing at this Court had audience of the Queen and of the Dauphin, to congratulate the happy success in the taking of *Valenciennes*. The Cardinal *Estrees* is arrived here from *Rome*.

Whitchall, *March 20*. Yesterday morning arrived, in one of His Majesties Yachts, from *Ostend*, the *Count de Bergeycke*, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of *Spain*, and this evening was conducted by Sir *Charles Cotterel* Master of the Ceremonies, to his Audience of His Majesty, and afterwards of his Royal Highness, by whom he was received with great kindness, and with the marks of a particular esteem for his person.

Advertisements.

Giles Vincent, born at *Hon. yeere-Frome* in the County of *Somerset*, about 18 years old, but tall and big of his age, Run away from his Service the third instant, and stole away two Violins, with several other things. He had on a close-bodied Frize Coat, a pair of Brown Stuff Breeches, a Camblet Campaigne Coat, a black Hat, and a short fair Perriwig. He has an oval Face, very small Eyes, with a squint or cast with one of them, a small mole on his Cheek, a scar on his Brow, and is marked with the Small-pox. He plays upon the Violin. Whoever gives notice of him to the *Lady Inrbroke* at her house near *St James's*, shall have two Guineys for a Reward.

Tolen the 12 instant, from Mr *Poya Bowles* Stable of *Foulmer* in *Cambridgeshire*, an Iron gray Gelding, having on each Leg a splint, about 14 hands, 7 years old, hath all his paces. Whoever gives notice of the said Gelding to Mr *Bowles* aforesaid, or to Mr *Charles Lingwood* at the *Old Lute* in *Fleet-street*, shall be very well rewarded.