

guard is already arrived at *Altenhaffelt*, four Leagues from this place. The *Sieur Ogratin*, the Imperial Commissary, is in this City, and has lately received 300000 Crowns to be employed for the service of the Imperial Army this Campaign. From *Egra* in *Bohemia* they write, that several Regiments who have had their quarters in that Kingdom, had received Orders to march towards the *Rhine*: And from *Vienna* they tell us, that the Count de *Troisdard* was commanded to march with his Regiment which is in *Hungary*, to *Pomeran*, to assist the Elector of *Brandenburg*, and that the Emperor had given the Command of his Forces in *Hungary* to General *Smith*.

Cologne, April 30. As yet we hear nothing of the march of the *Osnabrug* Troops, notwithstanding the preparation they seemed to make some time since for it. On Friday last the Bishop of *Munster* made a great entertainment for the Elector of *Brandenburg* at *Beckum*, which place he past in his return to *Berlin*.

Muniz, April 30. In our former we acquainted you that the Duke of *Lorrain* had with the Troops under his Command passed the *Moselle* below *Treves*, since we understand that his Highness has continued his march towards *Luxemburg*, though with what design we are as yet to learn, for as to what has been said of his intending to besiege *Metz* or *Nancy*, there seems to be no great ground for it. The rest of the Imperial Troops that have wintered in *Franconia*, and those remote parts, are now all on their march to the *Rhine* which they will pass at *Philipsburg*, *Oppenheim*, &c. and so continue their march towards the *Moselle*, to join the Duke of *Lorrain*, who will then enter up in some action of importance. The *Marschal de Crequi* on the other side is not wanting to put his Troops in such a posture, as that they may be best able to make head against so powerful an Army as that of the Emperors will be, and has posted them in several distinct Bodies on the *Moselle*, to secure the Passes, and the better to observe his Enemies motions.

Hague, May 4. The several Provinces have agreed to furnish the monies demanded for the recruiting the Army, and the Officers are using all diligence to raise men for the completing their respective Companies. The *States General* have appointed Commissioners who are to endeavor to compose the differences arisen between the Princess Regent, and the States of *Oost-frizeland*. The Men of War designed for *Sicily*, and the *Baltick*, are fitting out at *Amsterdam* and *Rotterdam*, with all the diligence possible. The Lieutenant General *Tromp* is at present here, but prepares to return very suddenly to *Denmark*. Our Letters from *France* tell us, that at *Amiens* and *Abbeville* were Prisoners about 80 Dutch Officers, and 1600 common Soldiers, taken in the Battle of *Cassel*.

Brussels, May 4. The Prince of *Roebec*, late Governor of *St Omer*, with the principal Officers of that Garrison are come hither, and have given his Excellency an account of what hath passed in that Siege, and by their report it seems they wanted Powder. The Prince of *Orange* continues at *Eckelo*, his Army lying quartered at large, inasmuch that they take up near 16 Leagues; we doubt not but by the end of this month, his Highness will be ready to march; and we should be glad to hear that the *Confederate* Troops, who are to come to our assistance, were in the same forwardness; but as yet we have no account that they are on their march. The Troops of the Elector of *Brandenburg*, under the command of General *Spaen*, are joined with those of the *States General*, and of the Duke of *Newburg*, near

Burenmond, where they will have their station, to prevent the incursions of the Garrison of *Maastricht*. We have advice that the *French* are marking out a Camp at *Pie-ton*, (where the Prince of *Conde* was posted before the Battle of *Senefve*) from whence they will be able to cover *Charleroy*, in case it should be attacked by the *Confederates*. Our Letters from *Luxemburg* inform us, that the Duke of *Lorrain* was come to *Arion*, and that some Rencontres had hapned (without any great advantage to either side) between Parties of the *Imperialists* and *French*, and that the *Marschal de Crequi* is posted very advantageously on the *Saar*, his Troops exceeding those of the Duke of *Lorrain* in number. We understand that on Sunday the King was at *Lille*, and was as this day expected at *Courtray* from whence his Majesty intended to go and visit *Tourmay*, *Conde*, and *Valenciennes*. The *French* work hard on the Fortifications of *Maastricht*.

Ghent, May 4. The Dutch Troops are at present in very good quarters between this place and *Bruges*, and his Highness the Prince of *Orange* continues to have his at *Eckelo*. Passengers come from thence, assure us that the Army is already in a pretty good condition and that in a month or three weeks (by which time it is expected the new Recruits that are raising will be come in) his Highness will march and enter upon some action against the Enemy, in case the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* be ready, who at the same time is to act with an Army of 30000 men, to facilitate the designs of his Highness. According to our last advices, the Duke of *Lorrain* was come with his Army to *Arion* in *Luxemburg*, by which it seemed as if his Highness intended to bend towards the *Meuse*.

Paris, May 5. On Monday last the Duke of *Orleans* arrived here; but the Letters we receive from the Court, say that as yet it was uncertain when his Majesty would return hither, though some here tell us it may be about the middle of *June*. On Sunday last his Majesty was at *Lille*, and from thence purposed to go and visit his other Conquests in *Flanders*. It has been said indeed that the *Marschal de Schomberg* is to command the Kings Forces in *Catalonia* this Summer, but it seems the thing is not yet declared; and the said *Marschal*, together with the Duke of *Luxemburg*, will return about 10 or 14 days hence to the Army in *Flanders*. From *Lorrain* they write, that the Duke of *Lorrain* was advanced between *Treves* and *Luxemburg*, and that in all appearance he would not enter upon any action, till the goods of the Imperial Army is come down, and hath joined him. What was said in our last of the *Marschal de Crequi*'s having defeated the Duke of *Lorrain*'s Vanguard, is not confirmed. We have not of late received any thing new from *Sicily*.

April 28. An Account of an Ostend Privateer sent into the Downs the 24 instant, by Captain Jeniter Commander of His Majesties Ship the *Saudade*, and now detained there.

The *St Mary* of Ostend with 22 Men, Capt. John de Vroi Commander, having two Guns, one afore, and the other abaft. She is open in the Midships, and sails with a Lugfail, and one Topsail.

Advertisement.

Henry Lodge about 33 years of age, round visaged, fresh coloured, hired a Horse the 9th of this instant April, for two days, and is supposed to be Rode away with him; he is an iron grey, cloudy face, two Feathers near his brow, 13 hands and a half, the near hinder heel white, and a grey breast. Whoever gives notice of him to Mr Richardson a Meatman in Coleman-street near Leaden Hall, London, shall have 20s. Reward.