

way of *France* we have an ample account of a great Victory which the *French* pretend to have gained upon the *Sieur Binches* at the *Isle of Tobago*, by which it seems that the whole *Dutch* Squadron that was there has been ruined, but we hope to find things otherwise when the account comes from our side, which we are in hourly expectation of.

Brussels, May 21. The Most Christian King having taken a review of his Forces in the Plains of *Kieurain* and *Conde*, purposes, as we are informed, to return suddenly to *Paris*. Greatest part of the *French* Army was encamped yesterday near *Bossu* within Cannon shot of *St. Ghislain*, on this side the River, ruining the Country towards *Mons*. Forty Squadrons of *French* Horse passed yesterday betwixt *Mons* and *Binch*, to ravage likewise that side of the Country. We are told, that the *French* Forces in these Provinces will be divided into two Bodies, the one to be commanded by the *Marschal d'Humieres*, and the other by the Duke of *Luxemburg*. On the side of *Germany* the King will likewise have two Armies, commanded by the *Marschal de Crequi*, and the *Marschal de Schomberg*. On Tuesday his Highness the Prince of *Orange* returned to his quarters at *Lacrum*, we are assured that in few days his Army will be ready to march. Several great Cannon are expected to-morrow at the Princes quarters, being brought by water from *Holland*. The Confederate Troops that are to form a Camp at *Ruremond*, begin to arrive there, and a Bridge is laying over the *Meuse* for the convenience of their passage backward and forward. Our last Letters from *Luxemburg* tell us, that the Duke of *Lorraine* was advanced with the Troops he had with him, to meet the main Body of the Imperial Army, which was marching towards him, that he had repass'd the *Moselle*, and that the conjunction will be to-morrow. From *France* we have an account of a very sharp and bloody Engagement between the *French* and the *Dutch* at the *Isle of Tobago* in the *West-Indies*; that of the former, the Admirals ship and three more had been lost; and of the *Dutch*, eleven had been burnt and sunk, and four more forced ashore; and that the *French* had been vigorously repulsed in the Attack they made on Land. Our Letters from *Vienna* confirm the News of the Empress being with Child, to the great joy of that Court. The Inhabitants of *Valenciennes* have offered to pay 120000 Crowns; upon condition they may be excused from building the Citadel required by the King, which, it is said, his Majesty has accepted of; but this afternoon we have an account of a great disorder that hath happen'd at *Valenciennes* between the Soldiers and the Burghers, which was at last appeas'd by the care of the Governor, who caus'd some of the chief Authors of it to be hang'd.

Antwerp, May 21. Our Letters from the *Rhine* assure, that the Grofs of the Imperial Army was not only past at *Oppenheim* and *Philipsburgh*, but had hasten'd their march so far, that they were come to *St. Vandel*, so that it's not to be doubted but, they have join'd the Duke of *Lorraine* before this time; some Advices make them 20000 effective, and others 30000, they seem to direct their march towards *Metz*, to enter *Lorraine* that way. From *Cologne* of the 18, we are told, that the *Osnabrug* Troops are not offering as yet to stir from their Winter-quarters, but that those from *Newburg*, consisting of 500 Horse, 500 Dragoons, and 3000 Foot, were already on their march towards *Ruremond*, to join 3000 *Brandenburg* Horse, which with five Battalions of *Holland* Infantry (making about 2000 men) are to compose a flying Army, and to encamp between the *Ror* and the *Meuse*, for stopping the Incursions of the Garison of *Maestricht*. On Tuesday last the Prince of *Orange* returned to the Army, who continues quartered in the *Pais de Dendermonde* and *Venez-Bourg* of *Gauar*. His Highness has caus'd to be brought to the Army one of the biggest Cannon out of the Magazine at *D. Sij*, and the Tin Boats from the *Nagve*. The

Most Christian King is encamp'd with his Army at *Bossu*, almost within reach of the Cannon of *St. Ghislain*, but without attempting any thing against that place, ruining only the Country far and near; after the review of his Army, his Majesty returns for *Paris*, leaving his Troops divided into two Bodies, the one commanded by *Marschal d'Humieres* upon the *Lis*, and the other upon the *Scheldt*; under the command of *Marschal de Montmorency*, so that in case of necessity they can very conveniently join together. Our *Italian* Letters by this last Ordinary, acquaint us with the death of the *Marquis de Castel Rodrigo* at *Palermo*; not without suspicion of poison, he having been only two days sick.

Paris, May 22. The King having been present at the review of his Forces near *Kieurain*, and given the necessary Orders for the disposing of them into several Bodies, is expected here the beginning of the next week. From *Lorraine* they write, that the Duke of *Lorraine* was retired towards *Trèves* to meet and join the Imperial Troops, which had already pass'd the *Rhine*, and were descending towards the *Moselle*; that the *Marschal de Crequi* had a watchful eye upon all the Enemies motions, and hath hitherto kept them from attempting any thing of moment. The *Marschal de Schomberg* is, we hear, appointed by the King to command the Body of an Army which is at present assembled near *Charleville*, under the Orders of the *Sieur de la Cordonnere* Lieutenant General. In *Alsace* the *Sieur de Montclar* will have a small Army to observe the Enemy on that side, who, as it is given out, intend to block up or besiege *Bisac*. We shall in a day or two see a Relation of the late Action between the Count *d'Estrees* and the *Dutch* at *Tobago* made publick, hitherto we know nothing more of that Engagement, save what we have already told you.

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Whereas the Roads have of late been much infested with Robbers, to the great disturbance of His Majesties Subjects, and there being now taken and in custody of *Capt. William Richardson*, Keeper of His Majesties Gaol of *Newgate*, London, *Robert G. Odwin*, *John Shepheard*, (who came lately from *Dublin* in *Ireland*) and *James Moore*, who, together with *William King*, *Henry Clayton*, *Brucehard*, *Edward Maddox*, *John Hodges*, *George Kenyon*, *Thomas Chabener*, *Richard Jones*, and others not yet taken, are vehemently suspected to be the Persons so offending. These are therefore to give Notice to all Persons that have been Robbed, that if they please to repair to the said Keeper, they may have a view of the Persons already taken, and their Riding Habits, to the end they may be proceeded against according to Law. They may likewise have an account of the several Horses they Rid, and directions where to see them, viz. A gray Gelding with a short Mane about 14 hands, 8 or 9 years old, trots all. A brown bay Gelding, with a short Mane, mealy mouth'd, a star on his forehead, some knobs on his nose, 'twixt 14 and 15 hands. A bay Gelding with a little star on his forehead, 'twixt 14 and 15 hands, one white foot, some saddle spots, and a white spot on his near side. A dark old Chefnut-coloured Stoned Horse, with a short Mane, about 14 hands. A whitish grey Gelding much flea-bitten about the head, and black on his further eye, betwixt 14 and 15 hands. There is likewise found with one of the persons in custody, a small Costeau walking Sword with an iron burnisht Hilt, a Copper, Silver, and Gold Handle, a Purple Scabbard, and False Scabbard, a hollow back Blade, which he will not own to be his, and supposed to be stolen. They were at *Newmarket*, *Winchester*, and those parts, about three weeks since. There is likewise found with one of them a Key of a Park of the Earl of *Northampton*.