

the Town, their Mines &c. do not come short of those he had seen at *Gandia*. The *Danes* do nothing in the Isle of *Rügen*; had the Frost lasted, Count *Oxenstern* had designed to pass over, and to have made some attempt upon them; but the Thaw we have at present, has prevented him.

*Strasbourg, Decemb. 13.* For these two or three days past we have seen the Imperial Troops march through this City, as well as by it, in order to their going to their Winter-quarters. The Duke of *Lorraine* having put strong Garisons into several places, which might best bridle the *French* Troops in *Brisgow*, is gone to *Wormes*, where will be the Imperial Head-quarter; though it is thought his Highness will not make any long stay there, but that he will take his journey to *Vienne*, to accomplish his marriage with the Emperor's Sister. The *French* are come again into the *Lower Alsace*, and the Towns of *Murzig*, *Obereneheim*, *Kusheim*, *Molsheim* and *Westhouen* are already filled with them; the Soldiers as also Officers, as well *French* as *Imperialists*, come hither very freely, and buy whatever they have occasion for. We are told that the *French* are drawing a good Body of men together on the *Saie*, to besiege *Bitsch*. They are already possessed of *Sarbruck*, which the *Imperialists* quieted.

*Frankfort, Decemb. 17.* The Imperial Troops are now all actually marching to their Winter-quarters, and it is believed the Duke of *Lorraine* is by this time arrived at *Wormes*. We are told that *Strasbourg* is not without a fear of being attacked by the *French* this next Campaign, wherefore they are preparing all they can for their security and among other things are careful to exercise their Burghers in Arms, that they may be able to render the more service upon occasion.

*Cologne Decemb. 17.* Part of the *Munster* Troops, who had passed the *Rhine* at *Andernath*, are come into the Countrey of *Wijl*, where they commit great Exorbitancies, plundering and taking from the poor Inhabitants whatever comes in their way, marching in the mean time very slowly towards their Winter quarters in *Wetzeravia*, that they may have the more opportunity to spoil the Countrey. The three other *Munster* Regiments, which remain on this side the *Rhine*, and have their quarters assigned them in the *Eyffels*, live much after the same manner, and besides exact great Sums of money from the several Bourgs and Villages, who have therefore sent their Deputies to make complaint hereof to the Commissaries of the Emperor, and of the Duke of *Neuburg*, who are at present here. We are informed that the said Commissaries have sent again to the Magistrates of *Aix la Chapelle*, to require them to receive at least three or four Companies of the Duke of *Neuburgs* Troops into their City, though there seems but small appearance of their compliance herein. The Imperial Commissary has demanded 40000 Crowns of this City, towards the subsistence of the Imperial Troops this Winter; but our Magistrates are of opinion, that they shall employ that Sum better in raising Troops for their own defence and security.

*Amsterdam, Decemb. 21.* The Frost hath somewhat hindered the Equipage for the *Mediterranean*, but now most of the Men of War fitted by this Admiralty have passed the *Pampus*, and have taken in their Guns and Provisions, and will be ready to sail in 8 or 10 dayes. We are told from *Brabant*, that the *French* are drawing their Troops together towards *Dinant*, and it's believed they may have a design upon *Namur*. The Letters we receive from *Hamburg* by the last Ordinary, give us an

account that *Stetin* continues to defend it self with the greatest bravery imaginable.

*Hague, Decemb. 21.* We are told that the Squadron of Men of War designed for the *Mediterranean*, will be ready to sail in few dayes, and would perhaps have been already at Sea, but that they have been hindered by the Frost. The Letters we receive from *Hamburg*, and those Parts, say, that the Besiegers of *Stetin* rather lose, than gain ground; that they have been lately beaten from a Post they had taken on the wall; and that a Battery of seven pieces of Cannon, they had raised there, had been dismounted by the Cannon of the Besieged.

*Paris, Decemb. 18.* All the particulars we have of the Siege of *St. Ghislain* are as follow, viz. That the place was invested the 30 past at Night. The first instant, at break of day, the *Marschal d'Humieres*, accompanied by the *Marquis d'Humieres* his Son, and the *Baron de Quincy*, arrived in the Camp. The same day the Cannon, Ammunition, Dragoons, and the Infantry arrived. The 4th at Night the Trenches were opened in three places on the Dikes defended by certain Redoubts, which were taken the day following. The 7th the Besiegers attacked a great Redoubt near the place, and took it. The 9th the *Marschal d'Humieres* had notice, that the Duke of *Villa Hermosa* had assembled his Troops, and was marching to the relief of the place, and that he was come within three Leagues of *Dioms*; whereupon he went out, and chose his Ground to draw his Army up in, and to fight them if they came on. The 9th at Night all the Outworks were forced at the same time, and all things were preparing for a general Assault; but the Besieged prevailed it, their Governor bearing a Parley the 10th, about ten in the morning; within two hours one of the Gates was delivered up, and the day following the Governor marched out at the head of 1200 men with Arms, Bag and Baggage, and one piece of Cannon, and was conducted to *Brussels*. In this Siege we had not above 200 men killed, and 200 wounded.

Whi shall, Decemb. 14. His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Sheriff for

Flintshire,

William Phillips Esq;

#### Advertisements.

December the 14 instant at Night, lost out of Mr. F. Spb Boot's House next door to the Hat and Feather in *Drury-lane*, near the King's Play-house, London, A pair of 12 Silver Candlesticks square at the bottom, and Chair each corner, a Crest upon each Candlestick; at the corner, the Flying-Dragon, with a sheaved Arrow in his Claw. A large silver Tankard. A large silver Salt, eight square with four great knobs. Five silver Spoons. Four large silver Forks, all with the same Crest. Three little Caudle Cups, two of them marked with M. C. without the Crest. All the Plate besides are marked with M. C. and the Crest. Twenty Jacob's Pieces of Gold Fifty nine Guineys. Twenty pound in silver. Whoever discovers the Persons, or any part or parcel of their Particulars, and gives notice to Mr. Bote aforesaid, shall have Thirty Guineys Reward.

Stolen out of a Gentlemans House in *Tork-Buildings* on Saturday last, being the 15th instant, Two large silver Candlesticks and Snuffer Pan with a Deers Head in a Scutcheon upon them, an Extinguisher without mark, and a pair of Holland sheets marked with a True Lovers Knot at the Corners. The Person suspected, is about 24 years of age, lank reddish hair, long pale face, speaks several Languages, and pretends to Painting. Whosoever can bring either the Plate or Person to Mr. Kerch a Goldsmith in the Strand near *Charing-cross*, shall be well rewarded.