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Stetin, Decemb. 31.

We are making here great preparations, considering the condition of this place, for the reception of his Electoral Highness, who makes his Solemn Entry on the 6th of the next Month. Among the other Ceremonies, it is appointed that two Boys in Mourning, shall without the Gate Present his Electoral Highness, the one with a Silver Key, having these Words engraven on it, Accipe, Serva, & Conserva, (Receive, Keep, and Preserve,) the other with a Ducal Hat, with these Words, Quod Deus dat, (Which God gives.) 2. Within the Gate, six young Virgins, lighted in Mourning, are to Address themselves to his Electoral Highness, the first to Present him with a Cypress Wreath, with these Words wrought in with Thread of Gold, Victori Cruentatam Virginitatem (A bloody Virginity to the Victor.) The second will Present three Garlands in a Gilded Scale, with these Words written round, Preces pro Benevolentia, (Prayers for Benevolence) in each Garland shall be a little Hill of Myrrhe, and between the three Garlands a Cross, under which the Word, Prope, (Hard by.) The third is to Present to the Electoral Prince, a Hat of Orange Leaves, with these Words, Paterna Virtute Avdam Augendam, (Encreased by the Fathers Valor, shall yet be Greater.) The fourth will Present to Prince Louis, an Apple on which is to be written with gilded Clowes, Natura Eratem, (Nature brings Age.) The fifth to Prince Philip William, a Grifins Claw, with these Words, Perge sine mora & habes, (Pursue without delay, and you shall have.) The sixth is to Present a Nosegay of Flowers, with these Words, Deo Grätias; and all are to say, Happiness and long Life to the Elector, and to the Princes and Princesses of Stetin. When his Electoral Highness alights from his Horse, twelve other young Gentlemen of the principal in the Town are upon Carpets to strow Green Herbs before his Electoral Highness.

Riga in Livonia, Decemb. 10. We are assured, that the Army in this Country will very suddenly march; however the Troops that are to compose it, are as yet in their quarters; but the general Rendezvous is appointed to be held on the first of January near this City; Colonel Bent Horne, who is to command them, is not yet arrived, our last advices telling us, that he was detained by contrary Winds in Finland, though his Baggage is arrived at Reuel; in case he stay too long, we are told his Brother Count Christopher Horne, Governor of this Province, will take upon him the command of the Army. There is a very fine Train of Artillery prepared, which stands ready, and may very easily be carried on Sleds. There is a report as if the Lithuanian General Patz would dispute the passage of our Troops through the Polish Territories, but it is without any ground. Monsieur Gabel, the King of Denmark's Envoy to the Czar of Moscow, is at present at Plesco, on the Frontiers of this Province, where he is resolved to stay as long as the

Moscovites will permit him. He hath been very active in his endeavors to persuade that Court to enter into a War against Sweden; but without any success, whose Ministers being sufficiently taken up with the War they are entered into with the Turks.

Strasbourg, Jan. 7. Our Magistrates being very apprehensive of the designs of the French, and wanting in their care and vigilance for the safety and security of this City, and among other things, have ordered that the Butchers shall be exercised in Arms to be made fit for action, in case there be occasion, which we know not how soon may happen; for among the other preparations which the French are making for the next Campaigne at Brisack and Schlestadt, we have an account, that they are preparing a great many small Vessels, to be employed as Fireships, which we cannot imagine what use they intend to put to, unless it be to attempt the burning of our Bridge.

Strasburg, Jan. 7. We have advices that the French Troops are drawing together near Frisden and Salsbourg, their design we cannot yet learn. There is a report that the Marschal de Cregni has orders to attack the Troops commanded by Count Ferrara, which are at present quartered in the neighborhood of Dourmont, and to oblige them to retreat to Rhinow; but others say that he will besiege some place; among these various reports, it is only time that can truly inform us.

Cologne, Jan. 11. Since our last our Magistrates have given out Commissions for the raising of several Companies of Foot, and Troops of Horse to reinforce this Garrison, which is thought to be very necessary at this time, when we are so full of fears and apprehensions of the designs of the French. Three days since the Regiment of the Marquis de Gramont which had been lodged in the Castle of Leobenich, arrived at Bonne; there is now no more talk of retreating that City to our Elector, but on the contrary it appears most plainly, that the Imperialists will not part with so considerable a Pass on the Rhine till a Peace be concluded, which some people seem to persuade themselves is near at hand. The Letters from above bring nothing of moment, the Troops being everywhere in their Winter-quarters, makes things very quiet. By Letters from Vienna we are assured that the Empress was three months gone with Child, which occasioned a very great joy at that Court. We hear nothing of late of the Rebels of Hungary. It is not doubted but that they are underhand assisted by the Turks, who at the same time entertain the Court at Vienna, with repeated assurances of friendship and good correspondence.

Brussels, Jan. 7. The French keep us in continual alarm by their motions from place to place; they go on to block up Mons on all sides. Two days since the Baron de Quincey was at Mawre with 2000 Horse, and hath put strong Garrisons into all the Castles in those parts; and our Advices from the French Conquests tell us, that by the 15th of this month, some considerable

Amsterdam, Jan. 14. We expect to hear in few days that Mons is besieged; 30 Squadrons of Horse, who, it's said, are designed to invest it, are come to *Asch*. Our Governor-General has this day sent two Expresses to the Prince of Orange, to give him an account of the Enemies' motions. Don Diego Spinosa is sent to *Nieuport*, to assist the Governor in case their becom-
 session, and the *Marquis de Conflans* is sent to *Spres-
 -Dijst*, Jan. 24. At the writing of our last Letter this day (evening), we verily believed Mons would have been besieged ere this; for all things lookt for-
 wards to, and our Advice's spoke of it very confidently; but whether the place continues wholly blocked up, and we remain in the same uncertainty as to the Enemy's designs. There be those that tell us, that the march of the Kings Baggage is stop'd, and that he has put off his own journey for some days; the latter comes confirm-
 ed from *Paris*. In the mean time the *Mareschal d'Humi-
 -er* is with 2500 men, 24 pieces of Cannon, and 2000 Pioneers at *Grammont*. He hath commanded great quantities of Forage and Provisions to be brought to *Enghien*, and this morning 1000 Horses of that Army appeared near *Grinberg*, not far from the *Ca-
 -salum*. There are come 4 Letters which say, that the French are going to *Vitré* in loss as they have done *Grammont*, and are doing at *Enghien*. The Duke de *Villa Hermosa* our Governor-General has had a Con-
 ference with Count *Waldeck*, about drawing the Dutch Troops, which are farthest off, nearer to this place. They are at present to that end, on their march. His Excellency hath likewise provided his Train of Artil-
 lery. Monsieur de *Lomoyne* is gone to *Vilvoord* to confer with Monsieur *Chauver*, General of the *Lunenburg* Troops. Don *Carlos de Borghia*, his Excellencies Ne-
 phew, is arrived here from *England*, whether he was sent to Compliment their Majesties and their Royal Highnesses upon the marriage of the Prince and Princess of *Orange* being extremely satisfied with his reception and entertainment at the Court.

Hague, January 11. His Highness[] was yesterday some hours in the Council of State, to perfect several matters of importance before them, and as is believed, to put the last hand to the State of the War for the next year. The Letters we receive from *Nim gun*, speak of a report spread about in that place, that the French Ambassadors were going to leave the place, which we know not how to give credit to. This day the States of *Holland* re-assembled; it is believed the State of the War will in a day or two be brought into their Assembly to have their approbation. The Spanish Envoy *Don Emanuel de Lira*, has of late had several Conferences with the Deputies of the State concerning the present Affairs. It is said that the Prince of *Orange* will receive the *Sieur Wolf*, who commanded for the Swedes in *Strim*, into the service of this State, he is a German, and obliged by the Emperors *Avocatoria* to quit the Swedes service. There is much talk of Peace, but upon what ground we know not; certain it is, that the French continue their great preparations as well in *Flanders* as in *Germany* for the next Campaign.

Ditto, Jan. 14. The 11th instant the Deputies of the Province of *Over-Issel* had audience of his Highness, to whom they presented an Act of the States of that Province constituting his Highness their Hereditary Stadtholder, &c. The same day his Highness went hence to *Seefeldike*.

February

- 13 *Ashwednesday, Dean of the Chappell,*
15 *Friday, Dean of St. Pauls.*
17 *Sunday, Bishop of Sarum.*

- 20 Wednesday, Dr Sprat.
22 Friday, Dean of Sarum, Dr. Pearce]
24 Sunday, Bishop of Ely.

March

- 27 Wednesday, Dr. Megort.
1 Friday, Dean of Canterbury, Dr. Tillotson
3 Sunday, Bishop of Oxford.

- 5 Wednesday, Dr. Cradock.
8 Friday, Dr. North.
19 Sunday, Bishop of Chester.

- 13 Wednesday, Dr. James.
15 Friday, Dean of Durham, Dr. Sudbury.
17 Sunday, Bishop of Bath and Wells.

- 20 *Wednesday, Mr. Fuller of Lincoln.*
22 *Friday, Dean of St. Asaph, Dr. Stratford.*
24 *Palin Sunday, Archbishop of Canterbury,*
Or some other for him.

- 27 Wednesday, Dr. Allestree.
29 Good Friday, Dean of Westminster.
31 Easter Day, Lord Almoner.

Advertisements.

The General Sale of Mr. Ogilby's Books
and the Map of London, &c. with greater advantage than
formerly, will be opened on the 15th of this instant, near the
Chancery Court in Westminster-Hall, and continue every day
from Nine till Three Afternoon, by William Morgan, His Ma-
jesty's Cosmographer, to raise Money to finish the English
Atlas. The Lots may be sent for and opened at the Ad-
venturers houses.

A N English Pink, called the *Judith and Anne*, Burthen 100 Tuns or thereabouts, of which *Richard Nowel* was Master, laden with Wines and Brandy from *Bordeaux*, and bound for *London*, was driven out of the Bay of *Sandwich* the fourth instant at night. Whoever shall give notice of the said Vessel to *Mr. Richard Alley* Merchant in *Mincing-lane*, shall be well rewarded for their pains.