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Riga, January 7.

Yesterday we had advice, that Count *Horne* was arrived at *Narva*, and that he will be here in few days. On the 9th instant the States of this Province will be assembled here, and on the 17th is appointed the general Rendezvous of their Army, which will be composed of 12000 Men Horse and Foot, and in a day or two after they will begin to march towards *Prussia*. From *Mosco* they tell us, that they had advice from *Constantinople* of the great preparations making by the Turks against them; that the *Crim Tatars* had received a command from the Grand Signior to fall into *Moscovy*, and that several great parties had made incursions into the *Ukraine*; that the Grand Signior had caused *Ibrahim Bassa* to be strangled, for his ill conduct before *Checherin*, where the Turks Army was lately defeated; that the Czar was sending an Envoye to *Constantinople*, to endeavor to compose matters; but there seemed little hopes of his succeeding in his Errand; So that we are now very much at ease by being freed from the apprehensions we had formerly of some disturbance from the *Moscovites*.

Vienna, Jan. 27. The Marriage between the Duke of *Lorraine* and the Queen Dowager of *Poland*, will be consummated on Sunday next, he passed by this place in his way to *Neustadt*; he hath been carried from *Philipsburg* to *Ratisbonne* in a Litter, not being able to go on Horseback, because of the wound he received by a fall at *Philipsburg*, of which he is not yet quite recovered. It has been generally believed that Count *Montecuculi* would command the Emperors Army the next Campaigne, but now it is reported that the Duke of *Lorraine* goes to the Army again presently after the Celebration of his Marriage. The Chiaus who came from *Bada*, had yesterday his Audience of General *Heicher*, Vice-President of the Council of War; he complaineth much against the *Hussars*, who go out in great parties daily, and desires satisfaction for the damages which the Turks of *Neuhausi* suffered lately near *Lebonitz*, and that those Turks as were then made prisoners, may be restored. Two Couriers arrived here yesterday, the one from the States of *Silesia*, and the other from the Elector of *Brandenburg*. This latter reports, that that Elector hath sent several thousands of men towards *Denmark* for that Kings service. Two days ago returned from the Court of *Bavaria* Monsieur *Fortner*, one of the Counsel Aubique, and it is said now, that there is no fear that that Elector will break with the Emperor. From *Breslau* they write, that they have accepted the Emperors Project of an Excize to be set upon Beer, Bread, Wine, Lead, Flesh, &c.

Dantzick, Jan. 29. All the endeavors which the King of *Poland* hath been pleased to use for the accommodating the matters in difference between the Magistrates and the Burghers of this City, have hitherto wanted the desired effect, and the minds of men seem so exasperated, that we might with great reason ap-

prehend the ill consequence of it, were it not for the presence of the King, which keeps things from breaking out into any publick disorder.

Copenhagen, Febr. 2. In *Schonen* the Suedes have taken every fifth man to serve in their Army, which they say will be much greater this next Campaigne than it hath been yet during this present War. We are told likewise that they are using all the endeavors possible to bring their Fleet to Sea again, being resolved to try their fortune once more in an Engagement with our Naval Force. It is said here, that of the Troops which were defeated in the Isle of *Rugen* by Count *Coningsmarke*, not above 6 or 700 were *Danes*, the rest being Auxiliaries sent by the Emperor, the Elector of *Brandenburg*, the Dukes of *Lunenburg*, and the Landgrave of *Hesse*. We are endeavouring to recover that loss by making new Levies, for which the necessary Commissions are dispatching, and the Troops which had their quarters in the Duchy of *Holstein*, are ordered to march this way, and will, as is said, be transported to *Schonen*. The Suedes have lately executed two Burghers of *Eisenburg*, for holding intelligence with their Enemy.

Strasburg, Febr. 7. From *Nancy* we have advice, that the French was very suddenly expected there with the Queen and the whole Court; that the Marechal *de Crequi* returned thither from *Paris* the 5th instant; that the French Troops which are quartered in *Lorraine*, have orders to march. Lieutenant General *Mencler* assembles 4 or 5000 men, with what design we know not, unless it be to execute such places as are behind hand in their Contributions. Count *Caprara* is arrived at *Offenburg*, where he is to command. The Imperial Troops which are quartered in the *Honsrucke* have orders to hold themselves ready to march upon the first orders. It is said the Most Christian King will come to *Brisac*. All these parts are full of expectation to see what it is that brings that King this way.

Ditto. We are now pretty well rid of the fears we were in, that the French were preparing for an attempt to destroy our Bridge; since we understand, that the Vessels and Materials which they had brought together for the making a Bridge, as we thought between *Schlestadt* and *Benselt*, have been removed to *Brisac*. We are somewhat surprized at the news we receive that the French have on the sudden discontinued working on the new Fortifications which they were making at *Friburg*, and on the other hand they begin to demolish *Buschweyler* and *Neuingen*; and, it's believed they will do the like to other places, and keep onely *Schlestadt* and *Brisac*. We hear that a great many Troops are on their march from *Burgundy* towards *Brisac*; and on the other side, several Troops are marching from *Marsal* towards *Seidan*.

Cologne, Febr. 10. Yesterday we had an account that a party of the Garrison of *Maeffricht* on Tuesday last made an incursion into *Eyffelt*, and ravaged the Country; that particularly they had plundered a small

small Town called *Kyl*, where a Company of Munsterians was quartered, who were all made prisoners by the French, but afterwards stript and let go, except the Officers, who they carried with them to *Maastricht*. The Baron of *Straetman*, one of the Emperors Ambassadors and Plenipotentiaries for the Treaty at *Nimwegen*, is come to *Duseldorp*, to confer with the Duke of *Neuburg* concerning several matters.

Brussels, Febr. 8. Since my last a party of French have burnt all the Water Mills about *Mons*, and broken down all the Bridges, even within shot of their Cannon, which very much alarmed the Duke d'*Aerschot*, who immediately sent an Express hither to give the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* an account of what had happened, and did believe that what the Enemy had done, was in order to the besieging the place; upon which his Excellency commanded the Regiment of *Belvedere* to march immediately from hence to *Hall*, to reinforce the Garison that is there; but the French having executed their orders, retired again. We are told that the Bishop of *Munster* is going to increase his Troops to the number of 2000 men, which gives us here some jealousy. The last night the Prince of *Vaudemont*, in consideration of the marriage of the Duke of *Lorraine* with the Queen Dowager of *Poland*, made a Ball to all the Ladies and Men of Quality that are here, and the Cannon by his Excellencies order were thrice discharged. We are told from *Lille*, that all the Pioneers which were summoned in, are countermanded. The States of the Province of *Luxemburg* have consented to raise and pay 3500 Foot, and 300 Horse.

Ditto, Febr. 11. Yesterday Monsieur *Dickfeld* gave a great entertainment to all the Foreign Ministers and Persons of Quality of this Court; at the same time there were several Fireworks on the *Sabloon*, and all the Artillery of the Town was thrice discharged, in complement to the Prince of *Oranges* marriage. The French are at present very quiet in these parts, but we are somewhat alarmed with the news we receive from *Paris* of the Kings departure from thence towards *Germany*. It is said that the Army which he designs to act with in those parts, will consist in above 60000 men, and that the King will not be abroad above six weeks, but purposes to be back at *St. Germain* the latter end of the next month. We are in much apprehension for *Luxemburg* or *Trich*, the Garisons of which places have therefore been considerably reinforced, and particularly two *Munster* Regiments are entred into *Luxemburg*. Our Northern Letters speak of some other advantages gained by the Suedes in *Schonen* since that obtained by Count *Goningmarke* in *Rugen*, which has very much changed the face of affairs in those parts. From *Italy* they write, that the Duke of *Bourbonville* hath been obliged to quit the Siege of *Taormina*.

Amwerp, Febr. 11. In these Provinces the French ravage and destroy all the Country, that the Confederate Troops when they take the Field may not be able to subsist. They have lately burnt all the Mills about *Mons* to incommode that City. The Count de *Montal*, Governor of *Charleroy*, being abroad with a strong party of Horse, hath burnt and destroyed all the Forage about *Namur*, upon which the Prince of *Barbancon* Governor of *Namur*, intended to go out with 1200 Foot, 400 Horse, and 300 Dragoons, to take his revenge.

Hague, Febr. 12. The 8th instant in the evening their Highnesses returned hither from *Svestdike*, and the next morning all the General Officers here in

Town were to attend his Highness, and to receive orders from him in several matters. The 9th, the States of *Holland* assembled, and the same day the Deputies of the Admiralty had a Conference with those of the States. The Letters we received the last night from *Brussels*, say, that the French appeared again about *Mons*, and gave cause to believe that they intended a Siege of it.

Ditto, Febr. 15. We have Letters from *Tobago* in the *West Indies*, dated the 13th of *October*, which say, that the Sieur *Binches*, as well as many of his men, had been very sickly, but they were perfectly recovered; that they were provided with Victuals, and all things necessary, and were in a very good posture of defence. Our French Letters bring us the certainty of the French Kings departure from *St. Germain* towards *Nancy*, and at the same time tell us, that he has some great design in hand.

Paris, Febr. 16. We are told, that upon the repeated instances of the Magistrates of *Strasbourg*, the Suisse Cantons had resolved to assist them with some Men to put into the Forts which guard their Bridge on the *Rhine*, but the French having complained to the said Cantons, that the said City of *Strasbourg*, contrary to what they were obliged to by their Neutrality, have at several times granted passage over their Bridge to the Imperial Army, to the great prejudice of the Kings affairs, the said Cantons had thereupon changed their resolution. It is said that though the *Marschal de la Feuillade* be gone from *Toulon* for *Messina*, yet that the Troops which were at first intended to have been sent with him, remain behind. Monsieur de *Louvois* parted not from hence till Monday last, having had several affairs to dispatch when the Court set out; he is gone to attend the King, who was to lodge the last night at *Fomville* in *Lorraine*; we expect now in few days to hear what the Kings design is, many are of opinion that it is intended against *Luxemburg*. We have Letters from some Officers in *Flanders*, which say, that a great number of Pioneers was summoned in by the *Marschal d'Almonieres* for some great Enterprize.

Advertisements.

☞ The Compleat Gentleman: or, Directions for the Education of Youth, as to their Breeding at Home, and Travelling Abroad. In two Treatises. By *F. Gailhard* Gent. who hath been Tutor abroad to several of the Nobility and Gentry. Sold by *F. Starkey* at the *Mitre* in *Fleet street* near the *Temple*.

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THe *Pelican*, *Samuel Gatchel* Master, burthen 30 Tuns, or thereabouts, square Stern'd, English Built, Laden with Logwood, Hides, and other *West India* Goods, went away from *Road Island*, in the month of *November* last. If the said Vessel shall happen to come into any part of *England*, or elsewhere, they are desired to stop her, and give advice to *Thomas Darcy* at *St. Katherines Court*, or at *Wellingtons Coffee-house* near the *Royal Exchange*, where they shall be well rewarded for their pains.

A Little red Trunk, with two Drawers at the bottom full of Parchment Writings and other Writings and Books of Accounts, marked on the top of the Trunk with *H. W.* Stolen out of *Mr. de la Gardes* Lodgings in *Somersees House* on Saturday last, together with a little Box, in which were three *Holland Sheets*, and three Peeces of striped *Indian Sattin*, and some Papers. Whoever can give notice of them or either of them to the Porter of *Somersees House*, shall be well rewarded for their pains.

A Brown Mare about 14 hands, a bald face, stolen out of *Sir John Bennets Stable* at *Bawly*, the 7th instant; the person suspected to have stole her, is a lusty Fellow, aged about 30, red hair, a scar on the left side of his lip by a cut. Whoever gives notice of the said Mare to the Man of the House at the *Green Dragon*, *Visqualler*, at the *Pall-Mall*, shall have 40 s. Reward.