

of a Peace, the more earnest in their instances to the Emperor, to procure likewise a Peace for the Empire; and, as we are told, the Elector Palatine, and the Electors of *Bohemia* and *Saxony*, are particularly zealous to advance this great work, which they look upon to be of so great importance to the Empire. The City of *Strasburg*, though it suffers very much by the present interruption of their Commerce, yet hath refused the Overtures which have been lately made on the part of the *Marschal de Crequi* for the re-establishing the former friendship between them. The *Marschal de Crequi* is encamped at *Minfelden*, having put Garrisons into *Lay-tzburg*, *Croon-Weyssenburg*, and *Rhyn-zaberne*. The 15 instant the *Marschal de Crequi* sent out 300 Horse towards *Landau*, who obliged 400 Imperial Horse to retire from thence, and to leave the place open to them.

*Cologne, Sept. 20.* It is not to be wondred that these parts rejoice at the news they have from *Nimeguen*, that the Peace is signed between *France* and *Spain*, since the consequence of it is of so much advantage to them, by the restitution of *Maestricht* to the Dutch, which will put an end to the ravages and devastations the Country of *Fuliers*, and *Berg*, and even this Diocess, have been so long exposed to from the Garrison of *Maestricht*. From above our advices tell us, that the Palatinate suffers extremely by the neighborhood of the Imperial Army, their Foragers plundering the Country wherever they came; that the Duke of *Lorraine* had commanded his Infantry to pass the *Rhine*, and to join the Body commanded by *Caprara*.

*Nimeguen, Sept. 21.* In our last we gave you an account that the Treaty of Peace between *France* and *Spain* was signed on Saturday last, which was done at the House of the Dutch Ambassadors, where a Room was prepared for that purpose, with two Doors &c. that there might be no dispute about Precedency. What we have now to tell you is, that yesterday about three in the afternoon, a Courier arrived here from the *Hague*, and brought the States Ratification of their late Treaty with *France*, which was yet that evening exchanged with that of *France*, which hath lay'n ready a long while; which done, the Ambassadors complimented each other; and this day they will have Bonfires, &c. We are told that all the parties seem willing to agree to the Cessation of Arms which is proposed, only the Swedes make some difficulty, which they must expect the Orders of the King their Master upon. We are told that the Bishop of *Munster* died on Monday last, about 8 in the morning, and that the next day his Corps was carried to *Munster*, he having died at one of his Houses in the Country.

*Amsterdam, Sept. 22.* The Peace between *France* and *Spain* being signed at *Nimeguen*, and the Ratifications of that between that Crown and this State exchanged, people here are full of joy, and when the Peace comes to be published, which will be in few days, will express it by Bonfires, Fireworks, &c. for which they begin already to make preparations. But though we are pleased, there are others that are not, for the Letters from the Northern quarters, say, that the Allies on that side are very much concerned at what has been done, and shall they seem resolved to continue the War.

*Hague, Sept. 23.* On Monday last the Ratifications of the Treaty of Peace, signed the 20th last

at *Nimeguen* by the Ambassadors of *France*, and those of this State, were exchanged, and on Wednesday those of *France* were brought hither by an Express dispatched by our Ambassadors. On Wednesday next the Peace will be published here, as likewise at *Paris*; and the same day Monsieur *Avaux* Ambassador from the Most Christian King to this State, will make his publick Entry into this place, and the evening will be spent with Bonfires, Feasting, &c. suitable to the occasion; but the great Solemnity will not be till the 4th of *October*, which is the Monthly Fast-day that has been observed since the War, but is now to be turned into a Thanksgiving for the Peace, and then there will be rare Fireworks, and a great Entertainment made at the charge of the State. The Ambassadors which the States are sending, being four in number, to *France*, will part hence in a day or two, their Dispatches being, as we are told, already finished. My Lord Ambassador *Hyde*, and the Earl of *Offory*, General of the English Forces in the service of this State, parted hence some days since in their return for *England*, where, the wind having been pretty fair, it's believed they are arrived by this time. The Government of *Electogenbisch*, vacant by the death of Colonel *Kilpatrick*, is given to the Count de *Nassau*, General of the Cavalry of this State. From *Swol* we have an account, that the Bishop of *Munster* died on Monday last.

*Paris, Sept. 24.* The 21 instant arrived here two Couriers from *Nimeguen*, one of which went for *Spain*, by whom we had the knowledge that the Peace was signed the 17 instant at night by the Ambassadors of this Crown and of *Spain*, our King having absolutely quitted the several Points which remained in difference, and particularly that concerning the comprehending the Messines that are retired into this Kingdom and yesterday the Peace was published at *Fontainebleau* by one of the Kings Heralds at Arms. Our last Letters from our Army in *Alsace*, give us nothing new, the two Armies continuing to ruine the Country on both sides the *Rhine*, without that any considerable action passed between them. From *Messina* we have advice, that the Prince de *Gonzague* treated those that were lookt upon to be well affected to the French with some severity, and that he had obliged above 300 persons, as well Religious as others, to depart the City.

#### Advertisement.

Whereas *Johas* Bringest *Thomas Robinson*, alias *Smocky Tom*, *John Crofman*, *Anthony Gimblett*, *John Bonker*, *Thomas Daniel*, *Charles Daniel*, *Evan Edmond*, *John Taylor*, *John Austine*, *John Owen*, *Joseph Whijer*, *John Price*, *Henry Mattocks*, *William Spight*, *John Clements*, *William Parkins*, *Thomas Offey*, *Robert*, and *Joseph Butrick*, *William Cade*, *William Robinson*, *Richard Armisthull*, *one Legg*, *Thomas Tate*, and divers others, presume, in contempt of Authority, to infect the Countries with Lotteries, and Games resembling Lotteries, (notwithstanding several former Advertisements to the Civil Magistrates) some by pretended Authority, others, by former Deputations now out of Date; some by counterfeit Deputations, and others, (as we are informed) by Commivence of some inferiour Officers, to the great Damage, if not Ruine of several truly Loyal Indigent Officers, to whom His Majesty for their Sufferings and Services, hath granted all Lotteries for the term of Thirteen years, with Prohibition to all others. It is therefore earnestly desired, That all Mayors, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, Bayliffs, Constables, &c. would carefully inspect all Deputations, and especially suppress all such Persons as shall recd or Execute any Lotteries or Games resembling Lotteries, other than such as are or shall be Deputed under the Hands of some of the Commissioners for all Lotteries and the Seal of the Lottery Office, with this Inscription, *MELIOR A DESIGNAVER*