

Country of *Fuliers* have orders to be in a readiness to march upon the first notice that shall be given them to that purpose. They had sent a Drummer to *Dufeldorp* to demand Contributions from the Country of *Bergs*, which was refused them; and there is a great appearance that the French will besiege *Fuliers* very suddenly, in order to which they had already diverted the course of the small River, which runs through that City, and turns their Mills.

Ditto, Jan. 6. We are still uncertain of the precise time when the Places we are to have back will be evacuated, except *Leeuwe*, which was surrendered yesterday to *Don Diego de Freila*, whom his Excellency had sent thither to receive the same in quality of Governor, the French Commander having refused to deliver up the place to Monsieur *Hawarks*, formerly Deputy Governor there, though he had his Excellency's order to that effect, telling him plainly, that it was not the custom to deliver up Towns to Lieutenant-Governors, and that before he would march out with the King his Masters Troops, he would see those of the Catholick King take possession; whereupon his Excellency ordered Count *d'Egmonds* Troop of Horse to march thither with all speed from *Namur*. The matter of the Contributions is not yet adjusted betwixt us and the French, their demand being no less than 1300 thousand Guilders, and refusing to admit of any abatement for what we pretend to be owing to us by their Countries on the same account: And we are afraid they may retain some of the places (if not all) that ought to be restored, till they have satisfaction herein, which puts this Court into some perplexity.

Bruges, Jan. 7. The four Members of *Flanders* have lately granted to the Duke of *Villa Hermosa* our Governor-General, towards the maintaining the Army the next year, 18000 Rations a day, each Ration at five Stivers, which is much more than ever this Province granted before at a time. On the fifth instant the Peace was published here between *Spain* and *France*, with the solemnity usual on such occasions; and now we are every day expecting to hear of the evacuation of the several Towns in pursuance to the Treaty. We understand that the English Forces in these Countries are recalled home.

Hague, Dec. 30. We know not what effect the Conferences the Deputies of the State had with the French Ambassador here about Monsieur *Calvo's* requiring our Troops to quit the Country of *Liege*, have had, farther than that his Excellency promised to use his best offices for the accommodating this matter. The reduction of the Forces is however not put in execution as had been resolved, and the thing will be brought again before the States of *Holland* at their re-assembly, which will be the next week. At *Nimeguen* the Imperial and French Ambassadors make no great progress in their Negotiation, so that no body knows what judgment to make of the success of it. The States General have received a Letter from the States of *Friesland*, enclosing a large deduction, justifying their proceedings as to the disbanding of their Troops upon which the States General have had some debate, but we know not as yet what resolutions they have taken.

Ditto, Jan. 3. The meeting of the States of *Holland* is put off till the 10th instant; and the reduction of the Forces, according to the Resolution of the States, has been finally put in execution by his Highness, and a List published of the Troops that are disbanded. Here have lately been some

Deputies from the Towns of *Deventer*, *Swell*, and *Campen*, to desire of the Prince, that the Magistrates of those Towns may have the keeping of the Keys of their Gates, but we cannot hear that they have succeeded in it. The Letters from *Hamburg* give us the confirmation of the sad accident befallen the Swedes in the loss of 3 or 4000 men that were passing from *Pomerania* to *Sueden*, above 1000 being drowned, besides Women and Children, and the rest made Prisoners of War; and their Train of Artillery, which it's said consisted in 70 pieces of Cannon, most Brass, besides Mortar-pieces. From *Nimeguen* they give us great hopes of the Peace between the Emperor and France.

Ditto, Jan. 6. As we told you in our last, the reform of the Troops is made, being certain Troops of Horse out of every Regiment, and one Regiment of Dragoons. The States of *Friesland* have written to the States General, declaring their consent to the intended reduction, but withal their resolution to disband their own Troops themselves; upon which the States General have written them back a long expository Letter; and the Deputies are gone hence, who are to argue this matter with them, which is of the greatest importance imaginable, and therefore it's hoped the States of *Friesland* will at last comply therein. From *Brussels* we have an account, that the French have evacuated *Leeuwe* and *Limburg*, and that the Peace had been published at *Brussels*, *Ghent*, *Antwerp*, *Lille* &c.

Paris, Jan. 4. We are told that the Dutch Ambassadors having in a late Conference they had with Monsieur de *Pompe* represented to him how much the States their Masters had been surprised at the Message which they understood Monsieur *Calvo* had sent to the Commander of their Troops, concerning their withdrawing themselves out of the Country of *Liege*, have received for answer, that what Monsieur *Calvo* had done was by the Kings order, who did not think it reasonable that the Dutch Troops should continue in that Country. It is said that the Marechal d'*Humieres* is empowered to restore the Places to the Spaniards pursuant to the Peace; however it's believed that the difficulty arisen concerning the Arrears of Contributions, may retard the evacuation. The last Letters from *Nimeguen* said, that the Imperial French, and Swedes Ambassadors had had publick Conferences at the Stadthouse the 29 and 30 past, and first and second instant, each Embassy remaining in their Apartment, and the Mediator the Lord Ambassador *Fenkins* going between them with their respective Propositions and Objections, and that it was hoped the said Conferences would end in a speedy conclusion of the Peace; which we have the more reason to believe, because the Letters we receive from *Vienna* assure us, that the Emperor had sent orders to his Ambassadors to facilitate as far as in them lay the Points in difference.

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