

Cologne, Jan. 20. One of the Syndics of this City, having been sent by the Magistrates for *Holland* to receive into their Service some of the Troops disbanded there, he hath performed his Commission, and yesterday in the evening arrived here 200 of these new raised Men, and 300 more, who stay'd the last night on the other side of the *Rhine* at *Duyts*, are expected here to day; and seeing our fears of the *French* increase every day, the Troops of the Allies which are now lodged in *Westervia*, are to come down this way, and to have their Head-quarter at *Mulheim*, for the security of this City, as well as of *Bon* and *Duisdorf*; this last place is at present guarded by 2000 Boors, and six Companies of Dragoons of the *Hollstein* Regiment, but the Boors will in a day or two be relieved by a Regiment of *Brandenburg*, and another of *Ostbrug*. Several pieces of Cannon have within these two dayes been brought upon the walls of this City, and all other care is taken for our defence.

Brussels, Jan. 17. On Sunday arrived the *Spanish* Ordinary, and brought Bills for a considerable Sum of Money, which, with what his Excellency received before, amounts to a Million of Crowns. Yesterday Monsieur de *Fue* marched with several Regiments towards *Aeth*, which is this day to be put into his hands, and to morrow other Regiments march from *Dendermond* to *Audenard*, which is to be delivered up the 21 to the Baron *Currier*. *Ghent* will be the last place evacuated, and the Inhabitants are like to be left in a very poor condition, for besides the great Sums of Money the *French* have already drawn from them, they now make a new demand of 228 thousand Florins, upon account of Quarters, Impolls, and other the Kings Duties for the months of *November*, *December* and *January*; and if that Sum be not raised, the Governour threatens he will give the Soldiers in Garrison Free-quarter upon the Burghers, till such time as that City is evacuated, which is to be on the 26th instant. Last Night Sir *Samuel Clarke* came hither from *Flanders*, where he had embarked some of the *English* Troops for *England*; those that are quartered in *Brabant* will follow, as soon as the weather will permit their passing down the *Schelde* to *Zealand*, in order to their embarking on the Ships appointed for their Transportation. Within few dayes a Chapter is to be held here of the Knights of the *Golden Fleece*, to regulate the manner of his Excellencies Reception into that Order, which they intend shall be very splendid and extraordinary, his Excellency being the first Governour of the *Spanish Netherlands*, who during his Government hath been made Knight of that Order. The Prince de *Mamies* is sent for, and is to preside in the said Chapter, as being the eldest Knight of that Order in these Countries, and will be accompanied with the Prince de *Nassau*, the Prince de *Chimny*, the Prince de *Roebecq*, the Duke d' *Haure*, the Prince de *Vaudemont*, and the Marquis de *Conflans*; the Duke d' *Aerschot* will receive the Order at the same time with his Excellency.

Ditto, Jan. 20. *Aeth*, as we told you in our last, was evacuated the 17th instant, the Baron de *Fue* is now settling the Garrison there. The Baron de *Currier* is gone to take possession of *Audenarde* with two Regiments, one of *Spaniards*, and the other of *Walldons*. There are not at present any Soldiers in Garrison here, except his Excellencies Guards. The Solemnity of his Excellencies Reception into the Order of the *Golden Fleece*, is appointed to be the 20th of the

next month after his Excellencies return from *Flanders*, whither he goes immediately after the evacuation of *Ghent*. The Marquis de *Rhisberg* hath also a promise of the Order given him, but he must stay till there is a vacancy, the whole number being now complete. From *Liege* of the 18th instant they write, that Monsieur *Calvo* is marched with some Troops towards *Hasselt* which place, it's said, the *Dutch* will deliver up to him. It is said here that the *States General* of the *United Provinces* will put *Maestricht* into the hands of the *Spaniards*, pursuant to an Article of the Treaty made between *Spain* and them, when the late War first broke out. From *Strasbourg* of the 13th we are told, that the *French* continue their preparations on that side for some great Enterprize; and that they are making a very large way through *Suntow* to *Brissac*, which was to be finished about the middle of this month; and that the Sieur de *Monclar* was come to *Benselt* with a considerable Body of Horse.

Hague, Jan. 24. His Highness having settled affairs at *Utrecht*, went thence yesterday to *Narden*, of which place he has made the Heer *Colliers* Governour, and so will continue his Journey for *Gelderland*. The Letters we receive this morning from *Nimegue*, say, that the success of the Treaty between the *Imperial* and *French* Ambassadors, was as yet somewhat doubtful, for that there still remained difficulties which seemed hard to be removed.

Marseilles, Jan. 20. We are told that at *Thoulon* they are fitting out 10 Men of War, and two Fire-ships, designed, as is reported here, to be employed against the *Tripotins*, in order to the obliging that Government to make a Peace with this Crown, which they have hitherto refused. We have no account from Sir *John Narborough*, since his departure from *Alicant* for *Argiers*. Here is a report that those *Corsairs* have lately taken two *English* Vessels on this Coast bound for *Italy*, the one laden with Corn, the other with Lead and Piece Goods; but we hope it will prove a mistake. Some dayes since passed by this Port 17 or 18 *English* Ships, bound for several places of *Italy*.

Paris, Jan. 25. From *Flanders* we have an account, that *Charleroy*, *Aeth* and *Audenard* were evacuated, and actually delivered up to the *Spaniards*, as *Courtray* was to be the 22d instant, and *Ghent* the 2d of *February*. The *Dutch* Ambassadors have not yet made their Publick Audience. From *Alsace* we hear, that the Sieur de *Monclar* was the 11th instant with 1500 Horse at *Benselt*, upon some design that was kept secret. The preparations for War in those Parts are continued with great application.

Advertisements.

Lost out of *James Cox's* Wagon of *Ispswich*, between *Whitlam* and *Chelmsford*, in the County of *Essex*, a large leather Portmanteau, in which was a green Bag, full of Writings. Also a round Box with Writings. A Bag with Money. A Sute of Cloaths, with a large black Camlet Coat, Lining of several sorts, with other things. Also on the top a white Cloak, with a Hood, and two pair of Shoes. Whoever gives notice of the things aforesaid to Mr. *Robert Heselwood* at the *Cross-Kings* in *Gracious Street*, *London*, to Mr. *Reilly* at the *Cock* in *Chelmsford*, or to *James Cox* Wagoner at *Ispswich*, shall be well rewarded.

Stolen from *John Lueing* out of the Parish of *Horslem* in the County of *Suffex*, a bay Gelding with a bald face, blind on the left eye, about 14 hands. Also a sorrel Mare about three years old, with a bald face, about 14 hands. Whoever gives notice of them at the *Greyhound Inn* in *Southwark*, shall have Fifty Shillings Reward.