

Liege, Febr. 15. The *French* are making a great Reform in their Troops in these Parts, and several considerable Bodies do daily return towards *France*, which makes us judge the Peace is as good as concluded between the Emperor and *France*. We are told that the *French* have consented that *Hasselt, Maseycke*, and the Castle of *Horne*, shall remain in the possession of the *Dutch*.

Brussels, Febr. 7. It was believed that *Ghent* would have been evacuated this day, and accordingly his Excellency commanded several Troops to march that way on Wednesday, which were to have been followed by Lieutenant General *Agurto*; but yesterday his Excellency received a Letter from the Governor of *Ghent*, giving him an account, that he had received positive Orders from Court, not to quit *Ghent* till the River was open, that he might remove his Cannon and Ammunition by water, or that his Excellency would furnish him with a sufficient number of Wagons, for the transporting them by Land; and likewise desired his Excellency to withdraw the *Spanish* Troops that were in the Country of *Alost*, for that he could not suffer any *Spanish* Troops to quarter within the dependencies of *Ghent*. Upon which his Excellency has sent Orders to the said Troops to march to *Dendermond*, and has commanded the Intendant of *Flanders* to provide 1500 Wagons, which is the number required by the Governor of *Ghent*. This will be a great charge, for every Wagon will cost his Excellency six Guilders a day while they are out. The matter of the Arrear of Contributions is adjusted, and the *French* are to receive 500 thousand Crowns.

Ditto, Febr. 10. We are told from *Ghent*, that the *French* have begun their Executions against the Inhabitants there, for non-payment of the Tax of 24000 Crowns lately demanded by them. *Ghent*, after all, will not be evacuated, till the River is open. The 7th instant, at night, the Marquis *d'Estades* passed through this City on his way to *Paris*, being charged with the Treaty of Peace which was signed on Sunday last at *Nimeguen* by the *Imperial* and *French* Ambassadors. Our last Letters from *Dendermond* told us, that there hath been a great Earthquake through all *Gelderland*, which lasted about a quarter of an hour, with a terrible Storm of Thunder and Lightning, to the great terror of the Inhabitants.

Ditto, Febr. 14. On Saturday arrived here an Extraordinary Courier from *Spain*, and brought, as we are informed, Credentials to the Marquis *de los Balbaces*, to go Ambassador Extraordinary to *France*, to propose the Marriage of our King with *Mademoiselle*. Last night arrived the Ordinary, and we understand that the King hath determined to begin his progress the 6th of *April* to *Valencia* and *Catalonia*; and some say his Majesty will come as far as *Navarre*, to meet his Queen.

Ditto, Febr. 17. Part of the Marquis *de los Balbaces's* Equipage is already arrived here from *Nimeguen*, and he himself is expected here in a day or two, but will make a very short stay, having Orders to pursue with all diligence his Journey to *Paris*. We have just now Letters from *Ghent*, which say, that the *French* have demanded another Tax from that City of 130000 Guilders, and 18000 Rations of Forage from the *Vieuxbourg*, for the Horse that are there in Garrison.

Bruges, Febr. 18. The *French* continue still at *Ghent*, and, according to all appearance, will not

evacuate the same till the Rivers be open. On the 16 instant our Magistrates received a Message by a Trumpet from *Marschal d'Humieres*, demanding the payment of 1200 thousand Guilders, which Sum the Countrey of *Mons* and *Namur* are in Arrear for Contributions; and declaring if the said payment was not speedily made, he had express Orders from his Master to lend 4000 Horse to quarter in the Territories of this City; which Message has extremely alarmed us, and our Magistrates have deputed two of their Body to the said *Marschal*, with Orders to represent to him that they have much ado to pay their own Contributions, and how hard it is they should be obliged to pay for others.

Hague, Febr. 21. We have the confirmation of what we told you in our last, of the Princes of *Lunenburg* having made their Peace with *France* and *Sueden*, by which they oblige themselves to restore *Bremen*, and all their other Conquests, except the Baillage of *Tedinghausen*, and in lieu thereof are to receive 300000 Crowns. And the Letters we have since from those Parts add, that according to all appearance the Bishop of *Munster* will very suddenly follow their example, and likewise make his Peace. The Letters we receive from *France*, say, that the difficulties which hinder the Ambassadors of this State from coming to their Publick Audience, could not yet be removed. The Affairs of the *Suedes* on the side of *Prussia* are made worse by every Post, the Letters we received this morning from thence, telling us of fresh advantages gained upon them by the *Brandenburghs*.

Paris, Febr. 22. The Ratifications of the Treaty concluded by *Monseur Rebenac*, between this Crown and that of *Sueden*, and the Princes of *Lunenburg*, are dispatched, and will be sent to *Monseur Rebenac*, who is the Kings Minister at *Hanouer*, by the same hand that brought hither the Treaty. It is not doubted here but that the Peace between the King of *Denmark*, and the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, and the King of *Sueden*, will soon follow. From the *Rhine* they write, that *Monseur Calvo* was going to pass that River, in order to his falling into the Territories of the Elector of *Brandenburgh*. The King begins his Progress for *Flanders*, and thence towards *Germany*, the 15 or 17 of *April*.

Advertisements.

These are to give Notice, That there is Money reserved in Bank, at His Majesties Exchequer to pay off all Orders of Loan Registered upon the 20th 462 l. 17 s. 3 d. (part of the 619388 l. 11 s. 6 d. lately granted to His Majesty by Act of Parliament, for Disbanding the Army, and other Uses) to Number 33, inclusive.

These are to give Notice, That on Wednesday the 26 of February instant, at Mr. Haynes Coffee-house in Birch-lane, London, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, a General Meeting of the Creditors of John Colvile, late of London Goldsmith, is appointed; at which time and place it is desired, that all the said Creditors will appear, either by themselves, or by some Person or Persons Authorized to Act for them.

Nestor Helms, aged about 18, middle stature, brown lank hair, fresh colour'd, a stubbed nail on his right thumb, had a sad colour'd Coat on, the sleeve faced with red, went away from his Master, *Capt. Jeremy Gregory* Watchmaker at the Royal Exchange, the 31 of *January* last. Whoever can secure him into the custody of his Master, shall have Forty shillings reward.