

Cologne, May 12. We are informed that great endeavors are used with our Elector, to dispose him to give his consent for the choosing a Coadjutor, and at the same time an interest is making among those of the Chapter who are to choose, that the choice may fall upon the Prince of *Neuburg*, second Son to the Duke of that name, who is opposed by the Friends of the Bishop of *Strasbourg*, who has the same pretension, and is very suddenly expected here from *France*. To-morrow 2000 *French* take possession of *Lippstadt*, as 4000 have already done of *Wesel*.

Nimwegen, May 15. The *Sieur Meinders*, the *Brandenburgh* Minister, & of whose arrival here you had an account in our last, hath since had several Conferences, with *Monsieur Cosbert* the *French* Ambassador, but not being able to agree with him the terms of the Peace; nor to obtain a Prolongation of the Cessation of Arms beyond the 20th instant, he is preparing to pass on to *Paris*; to see if he can be more successful there.

Brussels, May 16. The Bishop of *Strasbourg* is daily expected here in his way for *Germany*, whither he will in all probability the more hasten, because of the indisposition of the Elector of *Cologne*, whose Coadjutor he pretends to be. Yesterday *Don Emanuel de Lyra*, the *Spanish* Envoy, returned to the *Hague*, where he will repeat his instances to the States to have *Maastricht* delivered to the King of *Spain*, and with the greater hopes of succeeding in them, because the States have consented to the re-establishment of the *Jesuites* at *Maastricht*, which it's thought they would not have done, if they had intended to keep that place in their own hands. From *Strasbourg* they write, that several of the Imperial Troops that had been in Garrison there, were marched from thence, and that the rest were to follow; but that at the same time the *French* were drawing their Troops together, and would in few days have an Army of 40000 men; that on the other side the Duke of *Lorraine* was likewise taking the Field with the Imperial Forces, and would continue in it till the Peace was executed.

Hague, May 16. The Prince of *Orange* parted from hence on Friday last for *Brada*, from whence he will return again some time the next week. The *Sieur van Leeuwen*, Ambassador Extraordinary from this State to His Majesty of *Great Britain*, is preparing for his Journey for *England*, which he will now begin in a few days. The Conferences between the *Sueder* Ambassador, and the Deputies of the States, have not yet had any effect, the points in difference of the Treaty of Commerce, remaining in the same state they were in, when his Excellency came hither from *Nimwegen*: however the said Conferences are continued, and may at length produce an adjustment of them. Her Highness is perfectly recovered of her indisposition.

Paris, May 17. Within these few days a Reform has been made of 10000 Horse, and we are told that more Troops will be disbanded, so soon as the Peace of the North is concluded, as we expect it will be suddenly; notwithstanding which, a very great Army will remain on foot of the standing Forces, for the keeping of which in discipline, the King has resolved that they shall every Summer take the Field, and encamp in a Body of 20000 men at a time. Yesterday all the Sovereign Courts were at St. Germain, to Complement the King upon the Peace. The

Marquis de los Balbaces, Ambassador of *Spain*, is preparing for his Publick Entry, which will be extremely splendid, his Equipage being very rich, and his Train numerous. There is not at present so much discourse, as formerly at Court, of the Marriage of the King of *Spain* with *Mademoiselle d'Orleans*; but that of the Dauphin begins to be talked of, and there are those who tell us it may be with the Infanta of *Portugal*; which meets with the more credit, for that the *Marschal de Schomberg* is gone to that Court.

Falmouth, May 5. The 2d instant arrived here the Goodwill of *Dartmouth*, *William Rawling* Master, in six weeks from *Cádiz*, from whence he came in company of between 50 and 60 sail of Merchantmen, of which 18 were *English*, the rest *Dutch*, under the Convoy of a *Dutch* Man of War; this Vessel parted from the said Fleet about 100 leagues off. This day we discovered off of this place the *Greenwich* and *Dartmouth* Frigates with several Merchant ships from the *Canaries* bound for the *Dornes*.

Deak, May 9. Yesterday in the afternoon arrived in the *Dornes* the *Berkley Castle* from *Bantam*.

Whitehall, May 9. This day His Majesty came in His Royal Robes into the House of Lords, and being seated in His Throne, and the Commons attending, their Speaker presented a BILL, For Granting a Supply to His Majesty of Two hundred and six thousand four hundred sixty two pounds seventeen shillings and three pence, for Paying off and Disbanding the Forces Raised since the Ninth and twentieth of September One thousand six hundred seventy seven. To which, as likewise to a Private Bill, concerning Sir *Francis Drake*, His Majesty gave His Royal Assent.

Advertisements.

☞ A Discourse concerning the Gift of Prayer. By *John Wilkins*, D. D. late L. B. of *Chesham*. Wherunto may be added, *Ecclesiastes*; Or, a Discourse concerning the Gift of Preaching, by the same Author.

☞ The Irish Rebellion: Or an History of the Beginnings and first Progress of the General Rebellion raised within the Kingdom of *Ireland*, &c. Written and Published in the Year 1646, by Sir *John Temple*. And now Re-printed. Both sold by *Edw. Gellibrand* at the Golden Ball in *St. Pauls Church-yard*.

☞ Which is the True Church? The whole Christian World, as divided only by *Christ*, & of which the Reformed are the soundest Part; 1. or the Pope of *Rome* and his Subjects as such. By *Richard Baxter*. Sold by *Thomas Parkhurst* at the Bible and Three Crowns in *Cheapside*, and *Thomas Simmons* at the Princes Arms in *St. Pauls Church-yard*.

LOST or Stolen the 9th instant from *Whitehall*, a black and white *Spaniel* Bitch, with the Kings Collar about her neck. Whoever gives notice of the said Bitch to the Kings Back-stairs, or to *William Chiffins* Esq; shall be well rewarded.

LOST Wednesday night last two Papers, or Orders, Signed *Knockingham*. Whoever brings them to the Porter of *Walkingford-house*, shall be well rewarded.

STAYED or Stolen from *Aldebrook* in *Essex* near *Wainstead House*, a pale chestnut Nag with a sorrel mane and tail, no white about him but saddle spots, 13 hands 3 inches high, with all his paces, 7 years old. And a black Gelding with a star in his forehead, a snip in his nose, a cross upon his next buttock, 14 hands high, with all his paces, near 8 years old. And one iron gray Mare Colt, one year old, brown mane and tail. Whoever shall give notice of these, to Mr. *Arthur Pepp* Upholsterer, at the Kings Arms in *Fenchurch Street*, London, shall have Four pound Reward.