

sorts of provisions, and especially Men, which they hope to be supplied with from Norway. The fear they have of some attempt upon the Coasts of Norway, has obliged his Majesty of Denmark to order the Fleet to be got ready as soon as is possible, and in the mean time has dispatcht Van Alesfeldt the Lieutenant General, and Major General Ruffe into Norway, where the former is to Command as General, and the other to visit all places of importance there, and to take such speedy and effectual order, that they may be every where put into a posture of defence, in case of attempt.

The Swedes still continue their Forces on foot in Livonia, Pomerania, and the Bishoprick of Bremen, of which last, they have nominated the Baron Horn for Governour. The Constable Wrangel has ordered the speedy raising of two Regiments more of Foot, but 'tis yet uncertain what designe they have for the employment of all their Forces.

Several French Sailing ships are lately past by this place in their way for Denmark, where they are to be employed aboard the French Ships lately built there.

From Stockholm we are told, That the Envoyé from the Duke of Neuburg has had his Audience, and Commissioners appointed to treat with him, viz. Sparr and Biornclou Senators, Gulenstierne Hoof the Chancellour, and Erneheim and Herfertern Secretaries, who are to make their Reports to the Senate.

Venice, March 25. The contrary winds that have blown of late, have kept us from the Intelligence which we expected from the Levant. Only one Tartan arriving with much difficulty from Ragusa, informs us, that in Morea, and the adjacent places, are quartered a considerable body of men, intended by the first opportunity to be transported to Cana; and that large quantities of Corn, Biskets, and other Provisions, lie also ready to be sent over to supply their great necessities: That the Turks had with a strong party marched near the City of Candia, but were beaten back with considerable loss, and two Renegadoes of some note were taken prisoners, and carried into Candia.

Signior Andrea Valiero, designed General to the three Islands, lies ready to Embarque in the Bastard Galley, expecting onely favorable weather, the Galley is afterwards to go forwards to attend the General Morosinis, of whose Squadron we hear not as yet any certain news.

Paris, March 30. The Court (as 'tis believed) will shortly return again hither, Monsieur Colbert having lately received Orders from his Majesty, to finish up with all speed the inside of the Louvre, next the Thuilleries. Great store of Cannon have been lately cast, and are still founded in the Arsenal, and fitted up for Service, and Carriages made ready for them, with many Waggon for Powder, Bullets, and other Warlike Provisions.

The Count de la Trinite, the Savoy Ambassador, is suddenly expected here, being already on this side Lyons, his Master the Duke of Savoy continues his Levies, and intends to augment the Regiments of the Savoy Squadron, with the addition of ten new Companies.

The Duke of Vornceil has been honourably received at Toulouse, as Governor of Languedoc; but is suddenly expected here; and if the Treaty proceeds with England, 'tis said is to be employed in it as Extraordinary Ambassador.

The Sieur de Roquesante, a Councillor in the Parliament of Aix in Provence, formerly a Commissioner in the Chamber of Justice, but since in the year 1664. confin'd to Quimpercorentin in Bretagne, for his advice given in an Assembly of the Commissioners, for the absolution of Monsieur Fouquet, has lately obtained liberty to return home; but Monsieur Fouquet still kept prisoner at Pigneroll.

Paris, April 6. The six Ships newly built at Erfst, are in much readiness to put to Sea, two of them of 60 Guns a-piece, the other four of 40 or 50, many Carpenters and Sailmen have been already pressed to send aboard them, and three other Vessels newly put to Sea at Charante.

The Marquis de Nereftan, a Knight of the Order of Mont Carmel, is hatching to his Command of five Men of War, designed for a Guard upon the Coasts of Bretagne, and several Gentlemen of Quality intend to embark themselves with him.

From Pau in Béarn there has lately risen some Disputes about the Taxes levied by an Order from the Chamber of Justice, nine of the principal Citizens of that place being committed prisoners, for refusing payment.

His Majesty still continues his preparations for the War upon the Frontiers of Picardy and Champagne; the several Magazines there being excellently stored with all sorts of Necessaries; and by a late Order 160 Carriages for Cannon are to be with all speed made ready about Vitry.

Here are lately arrived about 800 Swisses, to be incorporated into the Regiment of Guards, as many more are likewise speedily expected, so that the Swisse Regiment is intended to be completed, and all the Companies for the future kept full. This City has also by his Majesties leave, raised about 3000 men, which are to be formed into a Regiment, to be called the Paris Regiment; the City being willing not onely to raise, but to pay them, upon their own accounts; but the Officers are not yet resolved on.

The Protestants of Picardy having been lately severely dealt with by the Ecclesiasticks of the Province, have sent hither their Deputies, to beseech his Majesty, that the Edict of Nantes may not for the future be infringed, to their disadvantage.

Edinburgh, March 28. Patrick Ray Macgregor having received sentence to have his right hand cut off, and afterwards to be hanged at the High Cross in this City, has upon his ingenious Confession and Penitence obtained a Reprieve, and 'tis believed will discover the bottom and source of all those disturbances that have been given to the Highlanders.

Yesterday Captain Murray sent up a Vessel of 100 Tuns laden with Fish.

Falmouth, March 27. From Penzance we are advised, that Captain Manning, Commander of a Private Man of War, hath sent in thither a French prize of about 20 Tuns, laden with Wine and Prunes, and was in chase after five or six more, of which, he hoped to give a farther account.

Whitehal, April 3. By our Letters from the Hague of the seventh instant, N. S. we are told, That the fifth arrived there an Express from the Swedes Ambassador here, to their Ministers in that place, bringing with him a Letter from His Majesty of Great Britain of the 28 of March, in answer to another sent from the States about a month before: By this last His Majesty is pleased to consent to treat at Breda, where He intended to send His Ambassadors, the Lord Holles and Mr. Henry Coventry, as soon as the Pass-ports which were necessary for their safe Transportation should be sent from thence. The next day the Letter was delivered by the Swedes Ambassadors to the States, who ordered Copies thereof to be sent to the respective Towns, and in their Assembly resolved, That a Pass-port should be forthwith prepared, with a kinde Letter to His Majesty; both which were the next Evening sent forwards by Luz the Trumpetter, and order given to the Heer Hessel, with two Yachts to repair to Helvoetslags, to entertain the Ambassadors upon their Arrival in the name of the States, and to conduct them thence up the Maes to Breda.

In the mean time their preparations for setting out the Fleet are carried on with all imaginable diligence, the Drums are continually beating up for Men at Amsterdam, Rotterdam, and in Zealand, and many Seemen within these few days sent aboard their Ships in Zealand, and in the Maes; nor are there wanting some ill Willers to the Peace, who by all the little arts they can, endeavour to obstruct the progress of so good a Work, one has been by raising a malicious Report, as if a designe had been lately laid, of attempting upon the life of the Pensionary de Witt, by certain Priests, say they, lodged for that end, in a Convent at Antwerp, and this they most unjustly construe to the people to be a practice of their Enemies, an Aspersion as false and impossible, as it is full of malice and venom on the part of the Contrivers.

These are to give Notice to all Resellers of Wine within the Counties of Berks, Bucks, and Oxon, That they of some other for them are to repair unto the Wine-Licence-Office in Duxham Yard, London, to renew their Wine Licences, and pay their Rents and Arrears due for the same; the late Grant or Farm thereof to Mr. John Kilby of Alesbury being vacated.