

ort ex years, the beginnings whereof had been less considerable than the just dissatisfaction which their present Conduct gives his Majesty. His Memorial of the French Ambassador was this day followed by one from Mr. Sidney, wherein he represents, That understanding that the French Ambassador continued with great earnestness to press them to enter into an Alliance with that crown, he thought himself obliged to repeat his instances for the dissuading them from it. That his Majesty did not pretend to make use of Threats, of which the Memorials of the French Ambassador were full, but would leave them to be guided by the consideration of their own Interests; That his Majesty did persuade himself, that after the assurances of assistance he had given them, whatever might happen, they would not enter into any Engagements which his Majesty should have cause to look upon as intended against Him, and that the instances of the French King, which were too sharp and pressing for a Free Republick, would not divert them from their true Interests; and from that strict Friendship that is now between His Majesty and this State, and of which His Majesty has given them such Essential Proofs.

These Memorials have been read in the Assembly of the States, who we have no cause to doubt will remain firm to their first Resolutions and not accept the said Alliance.

Paris, Jan. 24. All the Officers of the Dauphine's Household, part to-morrow for Germany to meet that Prince. The Dutchess of Richieu, and the other Ladies of quality, that are to be with her, will follow in few days, and about the middle of the next month the King and Queen go to Châlons. We have every day more and more cause to believe, that the Alliance proposed by our Ambassador at the Hague, will not be accepted by the States. The 15th Instant the Dutch Ambassadors were sent for by the King, and the next morning again; in these two Audiences, we are told, the King let them know how much he was dissatisfied with the Proceedings of the States their Masters, who made so great difficulty to enter into the Alliance by him proposed. That if they did not in few days give his Ambassador a positive Answer on this Subject, they must expect he should let them see the effects of his Resentment: And required the said Ambassadors to give their Masters a true and exact account of what he had told them.

Paris, Jan. 27. The Chamber set up for the examining and punishing the persons accused of Em poisonings, has since Tuesday last caused several Persons of the First Quality to be seized, who are now Prisoners in the Bastille and at Vincennes, and amongst them the Marechal de Mommerency Duke of Luxemburg, who commanded the Kings Armies in Flanders, understanding that there was a Decree of that Chamber out for the seizing of him, prayed the King, that he might by his Order be sent to the Bastille, where he now is. A like Decree being out against the Countess of Soissons, Wife to the Brother of the Duke of Bouillon, she, having notice of it, left this City about 4 a clock in the morning, having been first to take her leave of the Prince of Carignan, her Mother in Law, to whom she declared, That though she is innocent, yet she had resolved to absent her self, for that she would as willingly die, as be shut up in the Bastille. The Marchioness of Aluye has likewise absented her self.

Madam de Laligay, the Sieur Gabel, and the Wife of an Officer of the Guards, who was very conversant with the Countess of Soissons, are among those that are secured. There is a Decree out for seizing the Marchioness of Polignac; and we are told that there are 60 or 80 Persons more accused. The Dutchess of Bouillon, the Princeess of Tingry, Madam de la Ferte, Wife to the Marechal of that Name, the Countess of Roure, the Duke of Vendosme, and the Marquess of Sessac (the latter of which is said to have absented himself) are cited to appear personally before the said Chamber.

London, Jan. 21. The Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common-Council of this City, having yesterday met together, and having first shewed their Care for the Preservation of the Government and of the Protestant Religion, as now by Law Established, by dismission, before they entered into any Debate all Persons from the Assembly that had not received the Sacrament, taken the Oaths, and Subscribed the Renunciation of the Covenant, according to the Act of Corporations; The Court then to the use of the Practices of many Dissaffected persons who endeavoured to procure hands to a Petition about the Sitting of the Parliament; and after a long Debate thereupon, the Court did conceive it a thing not proper for them to intermeddle with, and that in case any such Application should be made, it might prove dangerous to the Government, and therefore passed a Vote, That they would not suffer any such Petition to be Presented in the name of that Court. Since which the King Commanded the Lord Mayor and Aldermen to Attend Him at Whitehall, which they did accordingly this Evening, where His Majesty was pleased to declare to them his Dislike of any such Debates in that Court, as being a matter not proper for it, That His Majesty believed it was occasioned by some ill affected persons from without, who misinformed those that might otherwise mean well. And then His Majesty was graciously pleased to give His particular thanks to all those who had endeavoured to prevent these Attempts, and assured them he would always be ready to give His Loyal City of London the Proofs of His Affection and Kindness.

Whitehall, Jan. 21. This day the Articles given in by Dr. Oats and Mr. Bedloe, against the Lord Chief Justice Scroggs, and his Lordships Answer therunto, were openly heard and debated before His Majesty in Council and thereupon his Lordship was vindicated in all particulars by the King and Council, who therefore did dismiss this matter from the Board, and leave the Lord Chief Justice to take such course at Law as he thinks fit.

#### Advertisements.

**Stolen Jan. 15.** out of a Stable of Thomas Piper of Bamber in Suffex. a dark dun horse, about 14 hands and a half high, grissel mane and tail, with a black List from the mane to the tail, about three years old, and one of his teeth of his upper Jaw is out, having a bob tail. Whoever gives notice of the said Horse to Thomas Piper aforesaid, or to one Mr. Hillman next the Tabors Inn in Southwark, shall have 20 s. Reward.

**Strayed out of the Grounds of Mr. Robert Rogers of Fife** near Bromley in Kent, on the 12th of Jan. 17, a dark brown short tressed Nag, about 13 hands and a half high with several white saddle spots, 9 years old, with all his paces. Whoever gives notice of him to Mr. Hurbans at the Fryngpan in Southwark, or to Mr. Clarke at the Bell Inn in Bell Lane near Temple-bar, shall have 20 s. Reward.