

ing thence by *Constantinople* for *Brussan*, near the *Black Sea*, where he intends to divert himself some time in hunting.

His Imperial Majesty hath nominated Count *Sigismund* of *Transmandorf*, to succeed Count *Lesse* in the Generalship of *Warasin*, upon condition, that 12000 Florins issuing out of the Revenues of the Charge, shall be employed yearly upon the Fortifications of *Leopold*, till they shall be perfectly completed; the other 12000 to be employed in the maintenance of his own State and Dignity.

The Emperour has seemed to be much concerned for the Death of the Palatine of *Hungary*, but it is not yet resolved who is to succeed there, the Choice, 'tis belived, will lie between the Counts *Nadasti* and *de Rothal*.

*Paris*, April 20. It has been lately proposed in his Majesty's Councils, That the Inquiry into the Titles of those that are called Gentlemen, may be laid aside, and those that have been lately entered into the Nobles, may be continued, and obliged to serve the King in his Wars, for a certain term of years, upon their own costs.

The Duke *Mazarin* is ordered to hasten away for his Government of *Alsace*.

The Sieur de *Saintot* Master of the Ceremonies, has by his Majesty's Order, carried three Letters de *Cachet* to the three Courts Sovereign, enjoining them to be in readiness this day to receive his Majesty in the Court of Parliaments, Monsieur the Duke of *Orleans* in the Chamber of Accomptes, and Monsieur the Prince in the Court of Aides. 'Tis said, his Majesty intends to verifie his Declaration, for taking possession of all his Domains, with divers other Edicts, for the suppression of several Charges that appear useless and expensive to the Publick.

From *Poitou* we are told, of a great Assembly of the *Huguenots* this Easter, to the number of 7 or 8000 persons, upon the Ruines of those Temples destroyed by his Majesty's Order, in which places they passed the Devotions of that solemn Festival.

From *Lyons* we are informed, That the Differences between the Duke of *Savoy* and the City of *Geneva*, are like to come to a peaceable Issue, the Citizens being contented to send their Deputies to *Turin*, to offer such satisfaction to the Duke as they think may be accepted as reasonable.

His Majesty being informed of the too great liberty taken by several Monks to oppose the Bishops, by which the peace of the Church has been often interrupted; is resolved for the future to take such order in the Affair, that they shall depend upon the Bishops, and not immediately upon the Pope.

The Foot Regiment of *Crussol* is by his Majesty's appointment to be sent to the Towns of *Moyenvic* and *Marjal*, and the Regiment of 400 Horse lately drawn up before his Majesty this Easter, are ordered for *Honfleur* in *Normandy*, but upon what design is not yet said.

Three thousand Men are lately Embarked at *Rochelle*, to be sent into *Portugal*.

The Count de la *Fuillade* is this week to be married to *Madameyelle de Roannois*.

*Hague*, April 22. We now begin to expect the arrival of Foreign Ambassadors, in order to the Treaty at *Breda*, where all things are preparing for their Reception; the States having desired *Madam*, the Princess Dowager of *Orange*, to give them the use of her Castle there for the place of the Treaty; and such farther order is taken for the keeping all unnecessary persons from filling the Town, that none shall be admitted but such as have Pass-ports. Our Deputies are not named, but this week we expect their nomination; 'tis supposed the Burgomaster *Van Hoorn* will be sent from *Amsterdam*; *Meerman* or *Beveningh* for *Leyden*; the *Heer Cromont* for *Zealand*, and *Jongslat* for *Friesland*; the particular persons we shall more certainly know in few days.

We have daily more and more confirmation of the French design upon *Luxemburgh*; for delivery whereof, they had concluded, amongst others, with *Peter Pillacrt* a *Lorrainer*, but one that had been 20 years in the Spanish service, where he had been sometimes employed as a Receiver, and sometimes as a Commissary for Provisions; who having his house

conveniently situated upon the *Fosse*, in a part where there accidentally hapned a breach in the Works not yet repaired, was upon an agreement to have let in a considerable party into his house, which was capable of receiving a thousand men, and with the assistance of more forces that were to have been ready at a signal given, to have made themselves Masters of the Town. His reward contracted for, was 12000 Guilders present pay, with an arrears pretended to be due to him in his employment of a far greater sum, with a Lordship in that Countrey, and the place of Receiver-General of the Dutchy during life.

From *Amsterdam* we are assured, that they are very diligent there in setting out their Ships, the great Vessels being now to move towards the *Hly* and *Texel*; but they fear the want of depth of Water will as yet keep them from passing the *Pampus*, which will not afford them above 13 or 14 foot water at the most, but they hope the next new Moon will bring them in so full a Tide, as to encourage their passage. There are onely six or seven Men of War at present ready at the *Texel*, but they are sending the Sea-men aboard; intending speedily to put to Sea about 16 or 18 Sail as a Convoy to a Merchant Fleet, intending, as 'tis said, by the North for the Eastern parts.

*Plymouth*, April 12. Several Capers have been seen of late upon our Coasts. The *Roe-Buck*, Captain *Lyddal* Commander, hath brought in here a Dutch prize of about 60 Tuns, laden with Wine and Bandy.

*Newcastle*, April 12. A Privateer belonging to the Major of this Town, has lately brought into *Holy Island*, a prize of 150 Tuns, laden with Barley for *Amsterdam*, which he took off the Coast of *Danemark*.

*Hull*, April 14. This day the Captains of the *Ruby* and *Swallow*, arriving here from the Mouth of *Humber*, inform us that the *Pearl* and *Little Victory*, lying within *Humber*, and discovering two of the Enemies Pickaroons, entering the River, immediately made cut towards them, and were in close pursuit after them far into the Sea, and doubt not but they will give a good account of them.

*Weymouth*, April 15. The 12th Instant went hence the *Dover Privateer*, who in sight of Shore fetcht up 6 or 8 Sail of Ships. On Saturday last he returned into *Portland Road*, bringing in with him a Vessel, which proving a *Swede*, was presently dismissed; and the Privateer again put to Sea.

This Morning arrived here Captain *Abbot* in the *Hopetal Providence*, bringing in with him a Prize of about 40 Tuns, taken about 8 Leagues off the Isle of *Alderney*, being a Vessel belonging to, and bound for *Amsterdam*, from *Bilboa*, well laden with Nutt, Oranges, and Lemmens, supposed to have been formerly an English Vessel; they tell us that yesterday they met with the *Dover Privateer*, who had taken a Prize, with which he intended for *Dover*.

Whereas the Administrator of Edward late Earl of Dorset, hath recovered some Money, which he is desirous may be paid to the Creditors of the said Earl. The said Creditors are hereby desired to meet together on Thursday the Sixteenth of May, 1667. at the Middle Temple-Hall, London, between Three and four of the Clock in the Afternoon, to agree touching the disposing of the said Money; and that before that time, they would signify to Mr. John Burton at his Chamber in the Middle Temple-Lane, what Debts they respectively claim, and how secured, that they may have no just cause to complain against the Administrator for want of notice.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer, are now come to the payment of the 264th Order in number upon the Act of Parliament for 1250000l.

We are also to give Notice,

That all Persons that will lend any Sums of Money upon the Credit of the Act of Parliament for 1256347l. 13s. shall upon payment of their Money into His Majesties Exchequer, have Tallies of Loan, and Orders for the payment of the Principal and Interest according to the Act.