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Milan, Feb. 28.

OUR Governor is doing all he can to put this Country in a posture of defence, for 'tis apprehended the affair of *Cazal* will involve us and all *Italy* into troubles. We are expecting 3000 men from *Naples*, and 3000 more from *Spain*, and with them we shall be able to make an Army of 16 or 18000 men.

Genova, Feb. 28. This States Convoiy is daily expected from *Cadix*, as likewise the Reserve and *Newcastle* Frigats, who are to be Convoiy to some Merchant Ships that are homeward bound.

Prague, Feb. 28. The Emperor is sending Ministers to severall Courts; Count *Mansfeldt* to *France*, Marquis *de Grana* to *Spain*, Count *Lamberg* to *Brandenburg* and *Saxony*, &c. Count *Leslie* has made some agreement with the Malecontents of *Hungary*, but it's said the Emperor does not approve it, being resolved not to make any Terms with them, but upon their entire Submission, though at the same time this Court is very uneasy in the apprehensions it has of the designs of *France*, whether they may be towards *Italy* or towards *Germany*.

Ratisbonne, Feb. 28. The Deputies of the Elector of *Trier* at the Dyet, has represented to the States, That the Governor of *Croon-Wissenburg* having summoned *Lauterbourg* and about 40 Villages to do homage to the Breach King, upon their refusing or neglecting it, he had sent severall Troops to Quarter upon them, with Orders to remain there till they have obeyed the Summons The French continue to raise men and to buy Corn and Horfes in *Franconia*.

Cologne, March 8. We have advice, that the French pretend to kill the Cannon they found in *Charlemont*, being near 100 Pieces, which the Spaniards say they ought to remoye. Monsieur *Sourdin*, with the French Troops that were at *Wesel*, and in the Country of *Cleves*, is got as far as the Country of *Fauquemont* in his return home. The French Envoy here reported yesterday that the Duke of *Montona* would certainly deliver *Cazal* to the King his Master, which if so, may draw a War into *Italy*.

Franesfort, March 10. We are informed, that the Elector Palatine, to satisfy the French, has lately paid them 30000 Crowns for Arrears of Contributions, and that they demand 16660 more. In the meantime they go on with their Levies, with their buying of Horfes, &c. in these parts. In *Alsace* they every day enlarge their Limits, and have now set up a pretention upon *Lauterbourg*, belonging to the Bishoprick of *Spire*. And at *Ratisbonne* Monsieur *Verjus* the French Minister is said to speak very big, the event of all time must shew.

Hamburg, March 12. Yesterday was the day appointed for the delivering up of *Stede* to the *Suedes*,

but some difficulties intervened, and it's said it will be done this day or to morrow. People do not understand the meaning of the *Sieur Guldensfern*, the *Suedes* Ambassador at *Copenhagen*, his refusing to be received with any Ceremony, which he said he did for very good reasons, which those that are curious are very desirous to know. The King of *Denmark* is raising a Regiment of Guards for his Sister the future Queen of *Sueden*. From *Prussia* we have an account, That the Elector of *Brandenburg* is going to make *Memel* and the *Pillaw* two considerable Ports, to build Ships there, to erect an Admiralty at *Memel*, and to assign it 200000 Crowns a year for the setting out and maintaining of Ships, &c.

Brussels, March 13. Ostend is declared a free Port, that is to say, the Ships that come in there and do not break Bulk shall not pay any Duty, or if they do, they shall be paid only for such Goods as they unlade. The Contract of Marriage between the Marquis *de Valparaiso* and the Duke of *Norfolks* Daughter is Signed.

Amsterdam, March 7. We gave you an account formerly that all the Provinces, except *Friseland* and *Groningen*, had resolved to reject the French Alliance, and having since seen an Authentick Copy of the resolution of *Groningen* in this important matter, it's believed the Curious will be glad to have the Communication of it, though it be somewhat late.

Extract out of the Register of the Resolutions of the States of Groningen and the Ommelands.

Friday, Jan. 30. 1680

Upon the first point of the Proposition, speaking of the Resolution of the States of *Holland* upon the Memorials of the respective Ambassador and Envoy of *France* and *England*, which Resolution was brought into the Assembly of the States General, to serve for a Provincial advice, and afterwards put into the hands of the Deputies for forreigne Affairs, and by them, together with the Prince of *Orange*, thought fit to be turned into a Report, and brought the 15th Instant into the Assembly of the States General, with a Declaration, That the sentiments of the severall Provinces thereupon should be expected in eight or ten days; the said Resolution and Report containing in substance, That it ought, in the best and most vigorous method, and in the civilest manner, to be declared to the Count *d'Avant*, That the States General are and will be truly enclined to preserve, and more and more to acquire the honour of his Majesties Friendship, and that they will precisely and religiously observe the Treaties they have made with his Majesty; That at present they are not in a condition to enter into the Defensive Alliance proposed, and that they have not any thoughts of withdrawing themselves from his Majesties Friendship; But that contrarywise they will take care their Conduct shall be such as his Majesty may expect from good and faithful Friends. And that at the same time Mr. *Sidney* should likewise, in the most civil and obliging manner, be made acquainted with their sincere inclination to preserve, and more and more to acquire the honour of His Majesties Friendship; their great intention religiously to observe the Treaties they have made with His Majesty, and firm meaning not to enter into any engagements which do not correspond with an upright Friendship, as is more at large set down in the said Resolution and Report. Whereupon a serious debate being had, and it being observed that the former Treaties made with *France* have produced many important advantages to this State, and on the contrary that the rupture of those Alliances and Friendships have occasioned many disasters; That the United States have made no difficulty to enter into De-

several Alliances with several other Potentates, and particularly and lately with the King of Great Britain; and that therefore the same ought not to be refused to the King of France, especially seeing that the said King was formerly earnestly requested by the said States to enter into a Defensive Alliance, which was afterwards concluded in 1662. and that the Letter which His Majesty writ the 19th of May 1678. (upon which the States accepted the conditions of the Peace) was grounded upon the said King's resolution to renew the old Alliances with this State, according as it is now offered. For these and other more pressing reasons, the States of the City and Ommelands have thought good and resolved that this State ought not to decline, but to seek such a Defensive Alliance with the King of France, as shall be judged most to consist with its Interest and security in this conjuncture, especially seeing it has made no difficulty to conclude such Alliances with England and other Potentates.

Hague, March 8. Yesterday the States of Holland Adjourned themselves till the 13th Instant, without concluding any thing concerning the new Impositions now in Debate, but after they have consulted their Principals once more, which they are now gone to do, it's not doubted but they will come to a determination therein. The States General have not as yet returned any Answer to the French Ambassador concerning the Alliance, and considering how ungrateful That they have resolved to give is to the Court of France, it's probable they will not return the Ambassador any unless he desire it. The Prince of Orange departed this morning for Flanders (having first disposed of two important Employments, viz. the place of Receiver of the Revenues of the Earldom of Holland, and that of Curator of the University of Leiden) to visit the Dutch Garisons in that Country. Yesterday Mr. Sidney entertained most of the forreign Ministers at Dinner, and the same day gave a great Supper to the Princess and several Ladies of quality. The Council of State has presented their Petition to the States General for moneys for the Building the 36 men of War, and demand for the first year two Millions and 45000 Guilders, which according to the ordinary calculation is about 220000 l. sterl. of which communication is to be given to the several Provinces in order to their raising their respective proportions.

Hague, March 5. On Wednesday last the States of Holland met for the first time since their last recess, but as yet they have not entered upon any business of importance, and it's likely they will not till the return of the Prince from Flanders, which it's said will not be till Monday next. The Duke of Newburg's Minister presses this State with much earnestness to discharge the Arrears of Subsidies due to his Master, which amount to 140 thousand Crowns. The States, upon the reading of their last Letters from England giving them an account of his Royal Highness's arrival, and of the posture of things, were extremely satisfied, and are more and more confirmed in their resolutions of remaining strictly united with His Majesty of Great Britain in their common Interests. It is now said that the French Troops will not quit Dinant till those of this State have evacuated Hasselt and Maysieck.

Paris, March 16. Our Letters from the Court give us an account that the 6th instant the King and the Dauphin met the Dauphiness two Leagues beyond Verry, as soon as she saw the King she came hastily out of her Coach and cast herself at his feet, the King took her up, embraced her, and presented the Dauphin to her, after which they went all into her Coach, and came to Verry. The next day they continued

their Journey to Chalons, from whence the Queen parted after Dinner to meet them, which she did about a League from thence, they all came out of their Coaches in the open Field, and after the Compliments proper for the occasion, they went into them again, and came to Chalons about five in the Evening. Two hours after the Cardinal de Bouillon gave the second Benediction, the Dauphiness being led into the Chapel by the Duke of Richelieu her Knight of Honour, and the Marechal de Tursins the Master of her Horse. The Cardinal Blessed 13 Pieces of Gold and a Ring of Gold and Silver wrought together, and said aloud these words; *Louis Dauphin of France, do you take Marie, Anne, Christinne, Elisabeth, of Bavaria here present for your Wife, and you Marie &c. do you take Louis. &c. for your Husband?* to which having answered *Yes*, the Cardinal gave the 13 Pieces of Gold and the Ring to the Dauphin, who put the Ring on the Dauphiness's finger, and gave her the Gold in Fair of Marriage. The Ceremony being ended, the King, Queen, Dauphin Dauphiness, Monsieur, and the Princes of the Blood Supped together, after which the Dauphin and the Dauphiness were Bedded, the King giving the Dauphin his shirt, and the Queen doing the like to the Dauphiness. The 10th the Court parted from Chalons, and Lodged at Rheims, the 12th they came to Soissons, and the next day to Villiers Cst reit. All people give the Dauphiness a very great Character, and particularly the King and the Dauphin are extremely pleased with her.

Deal, March 12. Yesterday the Wind coming to the North North West, the small Ships in the Downs Weighed and set sail, but this day they are all come back, the Wind blowing hard at South.

Advertisements.

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Lost on Friday night last betwixt London and Bow, a blew Letter-Casé, wherein were several papers of accounts, and a Watch with a studded Casé. Whoever brings them to Mr. Thomas Mercer, Bookseller at the half-Moon in Cornhill, near the Exchange, shall have five Pounds Reward.

There is a fair large House with Gardens, Orchard, Stable, Coach-house, Brewhouse, Wash-house, and all other Conveniencies, next dore to the Colledge in Greenwich, to be let for seven years from Midsummer next. The terms you may know at the said house.

Stolen out of the Grounds of Mrs. Messinger of Fountain Abbey, near Rippon, in York-shire, on the 11th of February last, a white Gelding about 14 hands high, above 10 years old, a Cut in one of his ears, and a Lump about the bigness of an Egg under his tail. Stolen likewise out of her Stable the 29th of February, one dapple grey Gelding about five years old 14 hands high, with a white Main and Tail somewhat short, a thick head, and naturally paced. Whoever gives notice of them to Mr. John Maunsie in George Court, near the New-Exchange, or to Mr. Samuel Bark, Scrivener in York, or to Mrs. Messinger aforesaid, shall have a Guinea reward for each of them if recovered.

Lost or stolen from Norfolk Street, near St. Clement's Church, on Wednesday the 10th Instant about Noon, a little white Bologna Dog, with reddish spots upon his back, and his ears of the same colour, with two holes in each, his nose broken. Whoever brings the said dog to the owner in Arundel Street, over against the Blew-Ball, shall have twenty shillings reward.