

Frankfort Decemb: 22. The Deputies
for the regulating the matter of the Mint
have had several Meetings, and we are
impatiently expecting to see the Success
of them. From Spire, they write, that
the preparations which the French
are making in Alsace, begins to give
the Judges of the Imperial Chamber
apprehensions of their being not safe
there, and that therefore they have
thought of removing to some place of
greater security, having to that pur-
pose made their Application to the
Diet at Ratisbonne. The Elector
of Mentz continues at Aschaffenburg
where he receives the Visits of the Neigh-
boring Princes. On Thursday last the
Margrave of Baden arrived at Heidelberg.

Strasburg Decemb: 16. The French
notwithstanding the Season, continue
to work with great Diligence on the
new Fortifications they are making on
the Saar, as at Saarburg, Saar Louis,
and Longuy, as well as those places on
the Rhine. From Metz, they write, that
they were preparing there a Train of
Artillery of 24 Pieces of Canon, and
that several Troops are drawing together.
Upon the complaints that have been
made to the French Intendant at Bris-
sac, concerning the new Customhouses,
that have been set up in several pla-
ces, he has promised to take such care
therein, as that no Vexation shall be
given to the Merchants, who are concerned
in the Trade of the Rhine. The French
are buying up all the salt they can meet
with in Alsace, which they send to Metz,
but what their Design is in it we cannot
yet understand.

Cologne Decemb: 20. Since our
last Count Ottingen, who is of the Em-
perors Council, and the Duke of Juliers
Chief Minister, is come hither from
Duiseloorpe, to examine pursuant to

Orders he has received from the Emperor,
the proceedings that have been had against
some of the old Burgermasters, Our Ma-
gistrates understanding of his Arrival
sent immediately to complement him,
and since some of them as well as of the
Commonalty have been with him, to ac-
quaint him that what they have done
did not proceed from any inclination to
disorders, but that they might have
a just account of the publick moneys,
and that they, through whose hands they
had passed for 10 Years, might give satis-
faction for the Sums they had made
Use of to their own particular profit,
and that therefore they doubted not
but the Emperor when he was fully
informed of the thing, would rather
commend them, disapprove their pro-
ceedings against these Offenders, of
which they had resolved to write at large
to His Imperial Majesty.

Hamburg, Decemb: 24. The Duke of
Croy, who has been several Years in the
Service of the King of Denmarke, is as
we are informed going to leave it and
to pass into that of the Elector of Saxony,
in whose Army, which is now raising he
is to have a principal command. The Elec-
tors of Saxony, who is the King of Den-
marke's Sister, is still at Copenhagen,
but according to our last Letters from
thence was preparing for her departure.

The Hague, Decemb: 24. The States of Holo-
land are separated but have only adjourn-
ed till the 8th of the next month, which
they have done upon the Instance of
the Deputies of Amsterdam, who are
very desirous to have some Affairs de-
termined that are now before them.
They have agreed to the State of the War
by which the same Number of Forces
are kept up this Year, that was the last.
The Prince of Hannover is received and
entertained here with all imaginable