

Rivers; so that though we do not hear our Elector has any design of offending others, yet will be in a condition not to be liable to be offended himself. It is said here, that Prince Louis was contracted to the Princess Radzeville in Prussia on the second instant, and that the Marriage may soon follow, but the time is not yet certain. The Plague at *Leipsick* and *Dresden*, decreases very considerably; and it is hoped, that this winter, which is like to prove a very hard one, will free those places from the infection. Lieutenant General *Spaen* parted hence some days since for the Country of *Cleves*; and the reason of his having staid so long here, was, the Duke of *Zells* refusing him a pass to go through his Countreys; so that he was forced to go through *Magdeburg*, where there is yet some small appearance of the Plague. Here is much discourse of the Comet which have been lately seen; and this Evening we have had much lightening here.

Strasbourg, Decemb. 22. There is at present little to write from hence, unless we repeat what we have so often told you, concerning the great preparations that are making, and the apprehensions we have here of them. Our last Letters from *Ratisbonne* give us an account, That it had been proposed at the Diet, that the Imperial Chamber ought to be removed from *Spire*, to some place of greater security; and that the Deputies seemed all of an opinion, that it was a thing very necessary, though they had not yet taken any formal resolution in it.

Hamburg, Decemb. 23. The Magistrates of *Leipsick* have acquainted the Neighboring Towns, that the Plague is wholly ceased in their City, and desire they will renew their Trade with them. We have nothing new from *Sweden* or *Denmark*, those Northern Crowns have a very good correspondence; and the reports that were spread abroad, as if the King of *Denmark* had a jealousy of the preparations that were making by the King of *Sweden* to put his Army, and his Navy into a posture, do now sufficiently appear to be groundless. There is now much discourse again of the likelihood there is, that the Crown of *Poland* will enter into a War against the *Turks*, we shall know when the Diet meets, what that Kingdom will do.

Cologne, Decemb. 27. On Friday last arrived here the Baron de *Leyen*, Envoy of the Elector of *Mentz*, who has had Audience of our Elector. From *Strasbourg* they write, that they very much fear a new War in the Spring, and that vast Magazines are providing by the French at *Schlestadt* and other places. And that the Baron de *Monclar*, the French Kings Lieutenant General in *Alsace*, had commanded all the principal Officers to repair to *Brisach*, to acquaint them with some design they were to be employed in. And from *Frankfort* they write, that the Bishop of *Wurzburg* apprehending the French may have a design upon *Phillipsburg*, which covers his Territories, had sent thither 400 Dragoons, and 400 Foot, to reinforce the Garrison.

Brussels, Decemb. 31. His Highness is now pretty well recovered, but still keeps his bed; However this night he is to give Audience to Mon-

sieur de *Corseil*, Intendent of *Tournay*, who arrived here yesterday in quality of Envoy from the French King: what his errand is, we as yet know not, though it's feared it may be some new demand. The Count d' *Archino* is still at *Antwerp*, but we expect him back in two or three days; for this is the day appointed by that people to give their final answer in the matter of the subsidies. The States of *Brabant* proceed in adjusting their proportion of the aydes; yet we must expect the resolution of those of *Antwerp*, before theirs can be made effectual. The Nations of this City are again Assembled, in Order to the renewing of the Imposts; but before they will consent to it, desire his Highness to promise them that none be exempted from the said Imposts, either Forreigners or others. In the mean time the Troops of this Province, and some of the Generals, have received 2 Months pay, and it's believed the general Reform will soon follow. Mr. *Legg* having had his Audience of Leave of his Highness, parted hence yesterday for *Germany*. The Marquis de *Burgamenero* is still here.

Paris, Jan. 1. We are told that the King is going to augment his Troops, and that Commissions are preparing for the Raising 20000 Men. The King has given the Government of *Thionville*, vacant by the death of the Marechal de *Grancey*, to the Sieur de *Casaux*. The Spanish Ambassador has complained of an Hostility committed by some French Troops in *Luxemburg*, who attacked a Castle belonging to the Prince of *Chemay*, though they did not take it, some Spanish Troops being privately gotten into the Place before; but several Soldiers were killed on both sides. People here begin to talk of an approaching War, which, by the preparations that are making, and the Orders that are given to raise Men, and buy Horses, seem to give them some ground for.

Pendennis, Decemb. 26. On Monday last, the wind being at West North West, the *Leopard* Frigate, together with several Merchant men, Sailed to their several Ports. Since came into this Harbour the *Olive-Branch* of *Topsham*, 150 Tuns, 14 Guns, and 25 men, *John Tringmore* Master, with Fruits from *Malago*, bound home, also the *Phoenix* of *Topsham*, *Thomas Lovell*, with Salt for a Market.

Falmouth, Decemb. 27. The *Olive-Branch* of *Topsham* together with 18 Merchant Ships more, under the Convoy of the *Sweepstakes* and *Mermaid* Frigates, arrived here the 23d instant from the *Streights*; they tell us, that about a fortnight since they met with the English Fleet of Merchant men, bound for the *Streights*, off of the Southern Cape, and that they supposed the rest of the Fleet that came in company with them, are going up the Channel.

Advertisements.

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