

Mèn in *Pom. ren* and *Bremen*; and from *Stockholm* they write, that the King of *Sweden* intends to encrease very considerably his Forces in his Foreign Dominions. Our Letters from *Dantzick* tell us, That there are great differences between the Duke of *Courland* and his Brethren, concerning the Execution of the Will of the late Duke their Father, and that the Elector of *Brandenburg*, their Uncle, has undertaken to accommodate things between them.

Cologne, Dec. 5. The Courier which the Deputies of *Liege* sent eight days ago to *Lyege*, to give their Principals an account of what had passed in the Conferences they have had with the Bishop of *Strasbourg*, and his Electoral Highness's Ministers, is not yet come back, but the Letters we receive from *Liege* inform us, That they are resolved not to quit the point concerning the free Election of their Magistrats, but to maintain the Privileges they are now possessed of, so that things seem not so well disposed to an accommodation, as was expected, and we are told, That the Bishop of *Strasbourg* has declared, That if the City of *Liege* will not let matters come to an amicable composition, other means must be made use of to bring them to reason. We have advice, as well by the way of *Hungary*, as *Poland* and *Venice*, of the great preparations of the Turks. The Emperor has sent the Baron of *Walderdorf* to the Electors on the *Rhine*, to communicate to them his Resolution of coming to *Ramibonne*. The Imperial Troops are in their Winter Quarters, as well in *Hungary* as in other the Emperor's Hereditary Countries.

Brussels, Dec. 15. His Excellency the Marquis de *Citranda*, has ordered a Placatt to be published, notwithstanding all the opposition that has been made in that matter, to give notice, That he will let the Kings Customs in these Countreys to Farm for three Years, counting from the first day of *March* next, and that the said Farm will be Let on the 14th of *January* to the highest Bidders: And from *Madrid* we have an account, That the King is likewise about Letting to Farm all his Customs throughout *Spain* to the Marquis de *los Balbaces*, for ten Years, who will give four Millions more yearly, than they have amounted to in any one Year within the ten Years last past and besides will take off a third part of the Duties that are now paid, for the encouragement of Trade. The Spanish Letters likewise tell us, That the Duke de *Villa Hermosa*, the Duke of *Bourbonville*, and the Count de *Montrey*, are in nomination for the Government of *Milan*, and that it was believed it would be given to the Duke of *Bourbonville*. From *Cologne* they write That there have been great disorders occasioned by the disputes between the Magistrats and the Burghers, That the latter were for several days in Arms. but that things had been at last composed. From *Vienna* we are told, That the Emperor was preparing to remove from thence to *Ramibonne*, where he will convoke a great Assembly of the Princes and States of the Empire, to consult with them in order to the taking the necessary Resolutions for their common Security.

Brussels, Dec. 18. The Placatt for the Letting the Customs to Farm is Published, which a great many People, especially those that have been employed about the Finances, are very much dissatisfied at. The Affairs of *Liege* are in as much dis-

order as ever, those people seeming resolved not to yield the points which their Prince the Elector of *Cologne* insists upon, which are, That the Militia shall be put into his hands: And that their first Burgermeister shall be annually chosen by him.

Liague, Dec. 18. The Deputies of *Holland* and *Zealand* have had several meetings to adjust the differences between the two Provinces, concerning the Imposition upon Turff and other matters. The Here Cutters, Ambassador from this State to His Majesty of *Great-Britain*, is returning for *England*. Our German Letters tell us, That the Emperor intends to be at *Ramibonne* about the latter end of *January*, or the beginning of *February*, to consult with the Princes of the Empire upon the present exigency of Affairs.

Whitehal, Dec. 13. Some days since arrived here Monsieur d'*Haxthausen*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Duke of *Sleswig-Holstein*. He has had his Audience of their Majesties, and of their Royal Highnesses, being conducted therunto by Sir *Charles Cotterel*, Master of the Ceremonies, in the usual manner.

Whereas several idle Persons have made it their business in and about the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, to discourage the several Receivers of the Penny-Post Letters, by telling them there is no Security given by the Messengers for the performance of their Duty for the safe Conveyance of Packets and Parcels committed to their Charge, not exceeding the value of Ten Pounds Sterling and one Pound weight; This is to certify all Persons who shall or may have occasion to send any such Parcels by the said Messengers, Couriers, or Deliverers, relating to the Penny-Post-Office, That there is none employed in the same but such only as have given Bonds and security for their Fidelity: And all Persons who shall think they have any reason to complain of any miscarriage, are desired to do it at the chief Office in *St. Michaels-Alley* in *Cornhil*, where it is at present kept.

This is farther to give Notice, That Letters and Parcels will now be conveyed by the Penny-Post to and from the most considerable places within five Miles of *London*: And also to desire all persons not to deliver any Letters to go beyond the Seas to any Officers of the Penny-Post-Office, lest they miscarry, but only to such as are appointed by the Postmaster General, and are Officers of the General Post-Office, whose Names have been formerly Published.

Advertisements.

Whereas on the Fifth of this Instant December, the Dover-Waggon was set upon by eight Highway-men, upon Gads-hill between *Rochester* and *Graves-end*, between the hours of Six and eight in the Evening, who Robbed the same of 26 Pieces of *Canterbury-wrought-Silks*, made and sent from thence, consigned for *London*; These are to give notice that whoever shall make such a Discovery of the same, as that they shall be safely brought into the Custody of Mr. *Samuel Bailly*, Merchant, dwelling in *Bow-Church-yard* in *Cheapside*, *London*, shall have a Reward of twenty Pounds paid by the said Mr. Bailly: and whoever shall discover any part thereof shall likewise have a sufficient Reward, and all the reasonable charges they shall be at in the discovery.

Lost on Monday last in the Morning, out of a Stable in *St. Albans-Street*, two Land Spaniels, a Dog and Bitch in Couples, both white with Liver-coloured spots, the ends of the two upper Twangs of the Dog cut off. Whoever brings them to Mr. *Whitfield*, at his House in *St. Albans Street*, shall have 20s Reward. And in the Evening were left in a Coach hired at the *White-Hart-Inn*, by the *Horse-Ferry*, in *Westminster*, a Case of *Horse-Pistols*, marked on the Locks, General a *Saumur*. Whoever brings them to Mr. *Whitfield* aforesaid, shall be well Rewarded.

Lost a large red tanned Hound, with long hair, a white ring about his Neck, cropt, and markt on his upper Lip. Whoever brings him to *James Tryon Esq;* at *Bulwick-hall* in *Northamptonshire*, or to Mr. *John Jackson*, at the *White Lyon* over against the *Temple*, in *Fleet-street*, *London*, shall be well Rewarded.