

the design which his Majesty has to make himself Master of the said City of *Luxemburg*, tends rather to facilitate the Peace, and to secure his Subjects, than to introduce those of the Catholick King, to whom this place cannot long be of any use, his Majesty being possessed of all the Country round it. And in the mean time his Majesty declares, That if before the 20th of *May* next the Governor of the Spanish Netherlands shall put into his hands the said City of *Luxemburg*, with the 14. or 15. Villages depending upon it, his Majesty will not only consent that *Courtray* and *Dixmuyde*, after having cabled the Fortifications thereof to be demolished, shall be restored with their dependencies to the Catholick King, but will likewise desist from the demand he hath made of the 40 Villages, which by the Treaty of *Nimegue* were taken from the Government of *Tourmay*, and re-united to the Chastellanie of *Aeth*, and that of all the places he hath possessed himself of since the 20th of *August* last, his Majesty will only keep *Beaumont* with three or four Villages that remain of its dependence, *Bouviex* which has none, and *Chimay* with 12 or 15 Villages thereto belonging; so that by this reciprocal Cession or Renunciation, to wit, in the part of his most Christian Majesty, of all his Rights and Pretensions upon *Alost*, *The Vieuxbourg* of *Gand* and other places demanded by his Majesty's Procurator General at the Conference at *Courtray*, and whatever his Majesty hath possessed himself of, since the said 20th of *August* last past, except *Beaumont*, *Chimay*, and *Bouviex*, with the few Villages that depend upon them; and on the part of the Catholick King of the said Places of *Beaumont*, *Chimay*, *Bouviex* and Dependencies, and the City of *Luxemburg* and the Villages of its Prebosty; a Peace may be yet re-established, and all occasions of difference which may trouble it for the future taken away, leaving for the rest to *France* and *Spain* what they were in possession of at the time of this raising of the Blockade of *Luxemburg* so, as that no pretension shall hereafter be moved on the one side or the other for any reason whatever. That his Majesty has cause to believe, that if the States have no other aim than the re-establishment of the Peace with the Preservation of the Barrier, They will either oblige the King of *Spain* speedily to accept these last offers of his Majesty, or else take such measures, that their Troops may not commit any Hostilities against those of his Majesty. But in case they shall neglect the means which his most Christian Majesty hath hitherto offered them for the procuring the re-establishment of the Peace, He does declare that upon the first act of Hostility which their Troops, not being in fortified places belonging to the Catholick King, shall commit against those of his Majesty, He shall be obliged to give immediate orders for the seizing all the Ships, Merchandizes, and effects belonging to the Subjects of this State, and to treat them as his Enemies. And that his most Christian Majesty had ordered him (the said Ambassador,) to demand a positive Resolution upon what he now represented to them, within fifteen days, which his Majesty will expect at the Head of his Army, after which time his Majesty will not be tied up to these or any of the former Propositions made by his Majesty.

Higue, May 2. The Prince of *Orange* having fixed his departure for *Brabant* for the 30th of the last month, his Horse and Coaches were sent away the day before, but the Count d'*Auxux* the French Ambassador giving in a Memorial to the States General on the 29th, his Highness hath thereupon stopped his Journey, and sent for his Horses and Equipage back; And it is said that the Troops of this State will be recalled from *Flanders*. On Saturday last the Ministers of the Allies, and the Deputies of this

State, had a very long Conference together; after which, an Express was sent from hence, with Letters to the Governor of the Spanish Netherlands, to give him an account of the said Memorial, and of what hath passed in this conference upon it.

Paris, May 3. Our Letters from *Flanders* give us an account that *Luxemburg* is besieged, the place having been invested by the Troops commanded by the Marquis de *Ranti*, who it was thought was gone to join the Marquis de *Chauseul*. The Cardinal de *Bonzi*, the Cardinal de *Bouillon*, and the Popes Nuncio, parted from hence on Saturday last, to follow the Court, which was on Sunday at *Conde*. And the next day the King took a review of his Troops in the Plains of *Quevrain*, and afterwards sent a Detachment of his Army to *Luxemburg*. We have advice from *Catalonia*, that the Marquis de *Belfonds*, and the Marquis his Son have been both indisposed, but that they were again recovered. And that the Marechal had drawn his Army together, which consists of 18000 Foot and 6000 Horse. The Spanish Forces on that side are commanded by the Marquis de *Liganez*. The Marquis de *Bersbun*, formerly the Kings Ambassador in *Poland*, is returning thither.

Whereas it hath been reported, that the late violent Frost hath much impaired the free passage of the Water at *Tunbridge Wells*, Sir Thomas J'Anson Baronet, and Thomas Nale Esq; have certified under their hands, that the said report is altogether false, they having lately with great care viewed the said Wells, and found no defect, but that part of the Pavement was broken, which is now firmly amended, and the said Waters run as free as ever.

Advertisements.

The Tryal of Laurence Bradon and Hugh Speke Gent. upon an Information of High Misdemeanor, Subornation, and Spreading False Reports, endeavouring thereby to raise a belief in His Majesties Subjects, that the late Earl of Essex did not Murder himself in the Tower, contrary to what was found by the Coroners Inquest: Before the Right Honorable Sir George Jeffreys Knight and Baronet, Lord Chief Justice of His Majesties Court of Kings-Bench, and the rest of the Reverend Judges of that Court, holden at Westminster on Friday the seventh of February, 1683, is now published; and Printed for Benj Tooke at the Ship in St. Pauls Church yard.

There was a Gentleman at the Assizes at *Huntington* the 8th day of March last, who declared he came out of *Holland* six weeks before, and had some discourse of a Person said to be lately dead there; If he please to give notice to Mr. William Clarke one of the Bursers of the Inner Temple, so as he may be spoken withall, shall be thankfully acknowledged.

Lost on Friday last out of *Arlington Gardens*, a Spaniel Puppy about five months old all black without any white: Whoever gives notice thereof to the Porter of *Arlington House*, shall be well rewarded.

Paintings to be sold by way of Publick Auction, at *Exeter Change*, on the North side of the upper Walk. The sale will begin on Thursday the first of May, exactly at nine in the Morning, and continue till twelve, and from two in the Afternoon till six; And so successively every day till the whole be sold off. These Paintings are all very well framed.

These are to give notice, that all sorts of Orange and Lemon Trees, and Spanish Jessemine Trees, are to be sold by an Italian Gardiner, who may be found at Mr. Jones's House Clerk of *Hungerford Market*. Some of the Trees may be seen at the *White Hart* near *Hide Park*.

John Carole being about 22 years of Age, of a middle stature with brown bushy hair, round faced, of a fresh complexion, having on a sad coloured cloth Livery, with Tin Buttons, and lined with *Crimson Serge* and an old sad coloured Frize Campaigne Coat and Stockings of the same colour, and a black Hat; run away the 22th instant from the Countess of Sheppeys House in *Copent-Garden* with several things: Whoever gives notice of him, so as that he may be secured to the Countess of Sheppeys aforesaid, shall have two Guinea's reward.

John Hurdleton a short black haired man, pretty well set, and somewhat swarthy, goes bending at the knees, aged betwixt 35 and 40 years; took from his Master John Kempler of *Plaffoe* in *Essex* the 16th instant, a cole black Gelding betwixt 14 and 15 hands high, between six and seven year old, a silver Tankard holding a full Quart, with one of the knobs at the corner broken off, marked E. H. M. and two Silver Spoons, with other Goods: Whoever gives notice to the said Mr. Kempler, or to Mr. Johnson at the Kings Arms in *Leaden-Hall-Street*, so as the Person, Horse, or Plate may be secured, shall have 40 s. reward.