

ral Garrons. We have an account from *Luxemburg*, that the Besieged made a Sally on the third instant, in which several of the French were killed and wounded; That the French had almost finished their Lines of Circumvallation and Contravallation; and that they would open their Trenches the eighth instant. Count *Valsasne* is gone with 4 or 500 chosen men, and many reformed Officers, and several Persons of Quality, to put themselves into *Luxemburg*; but they run great hazard of falling into the hands of the Enemy. The French Court continues still at *Conde*. Yesterday we received our Spanish Letters, which tell us, that the Express which the Marquis de *Grana* sent from hence the 16th, arrived at *Madrid* the 26th, of the last month; and that he would be dispatched back in few days. That it was said the King of *Spain* would go to the Frontiers of *Catalonia*; And that the old Guards of *Castille*, who in times of War are to attend his Majesty's Person, being divided into 24 Companies commanded by so many *Grandeos*, were appointed to Rendezvous before the Palace Gate the fifth of the next month. That the Marquis de *Liganez* was come to *Madrid*, to give the King an account of the present State of Affairs in *Catalonia*, where he hath served several years as General of the Horse. And that the Capitans Real of *Spain*, a Ship of 80 Brass Guns, was lost upon the Coast of *Barbary*, about two Leagues from *Ceuta*, the Conde d' *Aguilar* the General, and many of the men being saved; the rest were drowned or taken by the *Moors*.

*Brussels*, May 6. The Trenches were opened before *Luxemburg* the eighth instant; and we are told from the French Quarters, that they advanced them the first night 70 Yards with the loss of very few men. His most Christian Majesty has sent a great Detachment to the Army before *Luxemburg*; and the Troops commanded by the Marquis de *Renti*, that were designed to joyn the Elector of *Cologne's* Forces, are likewise employed in this Siege; We have not as yet any news of Count *Valsasne* and those with him; It's believed they will find it a very difficult thing to get into the Place. On Monday last arrived here an Extraordinary Courier in six days from *Lintz*, with Letters for the Marquis de *Grana*: It is said here that the Troops of *Bavaria* and *Franconia* are on their march towards the *Rhine*. His Excellency having this Morning received advice by an Express, that the Prince of *Orange* would be this night at *Filwood*, He is gone with all the general Officers to meet his Highness there. From *Mons* we have an account that the Kings Army (which is composed at present of about 30000 men) is removed from the Plains of *Lucrain*, and now encamped between *Bosfu* and *Tulin*; and that it was reported his Majesty intended to go in few days to *Mabeuge*, and from thence to the Camp before *Luxemburg* to hasten the Siege.

*Hague*, May 16. The 12th Instant the Deputies of this State had a long Conference with the French Ambassador; And having made report of what passed in it to the States General, great Consultations were thereupon held the day following; and the States of *Holland* having sat late on Saturday night adjourned, and the Deputies went home, and are this day come back to re-assemble to-morrow. Yesterday Morning early the Prince of *Orange* parted from hence for *Brabant*; from whence it's said his Highness is expected back here towards the end of this week. Yesterday likewise the French Ambassador presented another Memorial to the States General, wherein he tells them, That he thinks himself obliged to put them in mind that the fifteen days in which the King his Master had expected a final answer to

the offers he made them on the 29th of the last month were passed; and that the 20th of this month is not far off, after which he hath no Power to sign the accomodation that is proposed; and therefore presses them to give a positive answer to his Memorial of the 29th past, for that his Majesty desires to know plainly and without loss of time, what measures he is to take.

*Paris*, May 17. The Trenches were opened before *Luxemburg* the eighth Instant, and were, it's said, so far advanced when the last Courier came from the Camp, that our men had lodged themselves upon the Counterſcarp, and that with so little loss, that it's scarce taken notice of. The Kings Army decamped the 15th Instant; and removed nearer to *Mons* to consume the Forage on that side; and the Ladies are gone to *Valenciennes* to stay there in the mean time. The Count de *Montal* has 26 Squadrons under his command near *Dinant*; The Marquis de *Boufflers* is with a like Body of Horse between the *Sambre* and the *Meuse*; And several Squadrons are on the side of *Sedan* under the orders of the Marquis de *la Trouffe*; who are to joyn the Kings Army.

All Persons concerned are desired to take notice, that for the better encouragement of the Manufacture of making of Playing Cards in England, (wherein many hundred Poor People are employed) by directions of His Majesty's Letters Patents (pursuant to Charters and directions of the late King James and King Charles) an Office is erected in Silver Street in Bloomsbury, for Sealing all Playing Cards of English make (which will be there first surveyed) that the Frauds practised in the making of English Cards may be prevented, and the Foreign Cards (which are brought in contrary to Law) may be discovered. The Price of all Cards will be put upon each Pack, to the end that none under pretence of sealing the Cards, may sell the same at dearer Rates, and it will thereby appear, that the very best Cards shall be sold in London by the last Retailer, at four Pence the Pack, and others at cheaper Rates.

#### Advertisements.

The Works of the Learned and Pious Author of the Whole Duty of Man, is now Published in a large Folio and a fair Character. Printed at the Theatre in Oxford, and in London by Roger Norton, and are to be sold by George Pawlett, at the Bible in Chancery-Lane.

The Tryal and Conviction of John Hamden Esq; upon an Indictment of High Misdemeanor, for contriving and practising to disturb the Peace of our Sovereign Lord the King, and stirring up Sedition in this Kingdom. Before the Right Honorable Sir George Jeffreys Knight and Baronet, Lord Chief Justice of His Majesty's Court of Kings Bench, and the rest of the Reverend Judges of that Court, holden at Westminster the sixth day of February, 1683; is now published by Benjamin Tooke at the Ship in St. Pauls Church yard

There is now published the Musical Entertainment both Vocal and Instrumental, performed on the 22th of November last 1683; being the Festival of St. Cecilia a great Patroness of Musick, which day is annually commemorated by all Masters and Lovers of it in Honor of her Composed by Henry Purcell Organist of His Majesty's Chapel, and sold by John Playford and John Carr at their Shops near the Temple.

Took between three and four of the Clock on Friday Morning being the Ninth of May, on foot a Stable at the Bull Inn in Ware, a bay Gelding with a pretty long Tail, a small Star in his Forehead, a lump on his near side a little behind the spurring place, between 13 and 14 hands high. Whoever can give notice to the Bull Inn in Ware, or to Mr. Urrings at the Green Dragon Inn in Bishopgate street, or to Mr. Moore at the Fleece and Boars Head Tavern in West-Smithfield, shall have a Guinea reward.

Tolen or straid out, of the Grounds of Mr. Anthony Chamberlain at Offham near Towne Manling in Kent, a brown Mare 14 hands high or better, with a Star in her Forehead a most square, with a bob Tail, between eight and nine years old, Trots and Gallops: Whoever gives notice of her to the said Mr. Chamberlain, or to Mr. Weyland at the George Inn in Southwark, shall be well rewarded for their pains.