

to be held within two Miles of *Harburg*; And we are told that 4000 men of *Hesse Cassell* have joined with the Troop of the Duke of *Hanover*. The Danish Troops are likewise of their march, and it is believed the next Letters from *Copenhagen* will give an account of the King of *Denmark's* departure from thence for *Holstein*. The Bishop of *Strasbourg* is again at *Munster* to dispose the States of that Country, who are now assembled, to agree to the Proposition which hath been made to them on the part of The Elector of *Cologne* their Bilhop. A general review will be held of the Troops of *Munster* on the 25th of this month.

Cologne, May 19. The Magistrates of this City have ordered that a constant Guard shall be kept by six Companies of Burgiers, who are to be relieved every 24 hours; and have given out Commissiōs for the raising some men to strengthen their ordinarie Garrison; and at the same time have forbid all Foreign Levies. We have an account from the Camp before *Luxemburg*, that on the 23th Instant they made themselves Masters of the first Counter-scarp with very little loss; The French Army before the place, consists of 34 Battalions and 25 Squadrons.

Brussels, May 23. On Sunday last arrived here an Extraordinary Courier from *Spain*. And some hours after the Viaduc General was dispatched by his Excellency for the *Hague*. The Dutch Cavalry have orders, now that the Grails is pretty well grown to take the Field; Their first encampment is to be toward *Archebat*, and the Dutch Troops that are here will march to morrow. None of the Parties that were sent from *Namur* and other places, have been able to get into *Luxemburg*, which his Excellency who delighted to have put near 1000 men in small Parties commanded by very good Officers into the place is much concerned at. As for the Siege, the Relations we have of it are not very certain. Some Reformed Officers who have been in the French Camp, give an account, that on the 23th Instant the French were Masters of the first Counter-scarp; That on the 15th they attacked a Redoubt upon the point of the second Counter-scarp, and after a warm dispute took it; but that the besiegers regained it, having sprang a Mine with good effect, and that afterwards it was taken a second time by the French; They say that in this attack the French lost a great many men, and several Officers of Note. This Morning arrived here a Gentleman from *Luxemburg*, who came out of the Town the 23th Instant, and brought his Excellency Letters from the Prince de *Chimay*; He says the besieged are resolved to defend the place to the last; and that the French are advanced to the point of the second Counter-scarp.

Hague, May 23. The French Ambassador has not yet had an answer to his last Memorials, and in the meantime the Term given by his most Christian Majesty is expired; The City of *Amsterdam* have, it is said, protested, that in case the State do engage into a War, they will not contribute to the charge of it. The Prince of *Orange* returned from *Brabant* on Saturday about Eleven at night.

Paris, May 24. On Saturday last arrived here an Express from *Catalonia*; Who immediately parted again for *Flanders*, being sent by the Marquis de *Belfonds* to give the King an account of a Dispute he hath had with the Spaniards on occasion of his passing a River, which they would have hindered; The Fight is said to have been very obstinate on both sides, and the loss of men almost equal, but the advantage was on ours, in that our Army passed the River as they intended, having forced the Spaniards from the Posts they had taken on the other side of it. Our last Letters

from the Camp before *Luxemburg*, are of the 18th Instant, which give an account that they were then advanced to the Palisadoes of the second Counter-scarp. The King and the Court were at *Valenciennes*; the Army continuing encamped between *Tulin* and *Bossu*. Our Letters from *Venice* tell us, that that Republick hath declared War against the Turks.

His Majesty being well satisfied with the performance of Mr. Grinling Gibbons in the making His Majesty's Statue lately set up in the Royal Exchange; hath been pleased to forbid all Persons to Copy the same in Graving, Etching, or in Mezzatinto, without the Approbation of the said Gibbons.

His Majesty having been Graciously pleased to permit Mr. Grinling Gibbons and Mr. Perry Walton to expose to sale in the Banqueting House at Whitehall, an excellent Collection of Italian Pictures. These are to give notice, that whereas it was intended (and set forth in the last Gazette) to have been at the late dwelling House of Sir Peter Leli deceased, it is now designed to be in the said Banqueting House; and the sale to begin upon Monday the second day of June next, at Ten a Clock in the Forenoon; where the Pictures may be seen on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday before the Sale.

These are to give notice, that the Officers of the Penny Post will give their attendance at their several Offices in the ensuing Holidays as at other times; Therefore all Persons who send Letters on those days, are desired to leave them at such Coffee Houses and other Receivers whose Shops will be then open, that they may be collected and delivered in due time; And for the more speedy conveyance of General Post Letters to all Towns near London, where the Penny Post does constantly go, this is farther to give notice, that the Messengers of the Penny Post are appointed by the General Post Office, to deliver all such Letters as come from any part of the Kings Dominions for the said Towns the same day that they come to London, to the end that all Persons may have time to answer the said Letters by the next Post following, which answers will come safe to the General Post Office in London, if delivered into the Receivers of the Penny Post in the said Country Towns.

Advertisements.

☞ *J. a* Regium, or the just and solid Foundations of Monarchy in general, and more especially of the Monarchy of Scotland: Maintained against Buchanan, Naphtali Dolsman, Milton, &c. By Sir George Mackenzie, Mijesty's Advocate in Scotland. Printed for R Chiswel at the Rose and Crown in St. Pauls Church-Yard.

At the Royal Cock-Pit at Windsor, the 27th Instant, begins a great Match of Cock fighting between two Persons of Quality, which will continue the whole week.

At the next door except one to the Thames in Surtey, Street in Arrundel Buildings Wellward, will be exposed to sale by way of Auction, a good Collection of large Italian Pictures and others both Originals and very good Copies, they may be seen there any day from Nine of the Clock to Twelve, and from Two to five until the sale, which will begin on Thursday Morning the 22th of May next at Nine of the Clock, and three in the Afternoon precisely, till all are sold off. This was the Collection of a person lately Dead, and will be sold off in two days at farthest.

The Library of Dr. John Owen Deceased, containing a Curious Collection of Greek and Latin Fathers, Councils, Church-History, of Bibles in the Oriental Languages, of Rabbinical Authors, with most of the Historians and other Critical and Philological Books, &c. in Greek and Latin, will be exposed to sale by way of Auction, on Monday the 26th of this instant May, at the Auction House in Ave-Mary lane near Ludgate-Street. Catalogues are distributed at Mr. Norton's in Pall-Mall, Mr. Wilkinsons at the Black Boy in Fleet-Street. Mr. William Millers at the Acorn in St. Pauls Church-yard, Mr. Ponder at the Peacock in the Poultry, Bookellers. By Mr. Crispendon in Oxon, and Mr. Hicks in Cambridge. The Books are exposed to view daily.

A Noble India Mallard about Thirty years of Age, of a middle stature, he had when he went away a sad coloured Cloth Serack Coat and Breeches (his Coat damped with Pitch) a blue Shirt and no Hat, he run away from his Master James Yemes the sixth of May; If any Person can give notice of the said Mallard to the said James Yemes at his Yard at Ratchiff Cross, or to Mr. Cary at the Virginia Coffee House in St. Miles Alley in Cornhill, London, shall have a Guinea reward.

A North Country Boy named William, about 18 years of age, short of growth, dark brown Hair, in a blue coloured Cloth Breeches, and a Coar lined white Red and edged in the Seams, red Stockings, a new black Hat and Swooger, a green Shoulder Knot, &c. Run away the 18 Instant, with some money of his Masters. If any one Hops him and brings him home, Wellward to the Old Palace, Wellmuller; they shall be rewarded and their Charges borne.