

Country, to secure it against the Enemies Incurfions. We have an Account, by Letters of the 20th paſt from *Adrianoſle*, that the French Ambaſſador there labors very earnestly to engage the Port in an Offensive Alliance with the King his Maſter. And offers to aſſiſt them with a great Sum of Money yearly during the War. At the ſame time the French Ambaſſador in *Poland* endeavours, all he can, to entangle the Treaty that's now on foot with the Turkiſh Envoys at this Court.

*Cologne, March 18.* Several Perſons, who were engaged in the Action that happened on the 12th inſtant, between the Confederates and the French below *Nuis*, are ſince come hither, and give the following Relation of it; Which has been likewiſe confirmed by divers Letters. The French at *Nuis* having ſummoned the Country People to repair thither with 160 Wagons, on the 11th inſtant, to carry 1100 Meaſures of Corn to *Rhinberg*; The Confederates, upon Notice of it, cauſed ſome Troops to paſs the *Rhine* at *Weſel*, who, having joined with others that were already on that ſide, a Detachment advanced between *Nuis* and *Rhinberg*, and, poſting themſelves behind a Thicket, took to well their opportunity to fall upon the ſaid Convoy, that they routed and put to flight 5 Troops of Horſe and Dragoons, and obliged the Foot to lay down their Arms, who were ſent Priſoners to *Duisbourg*. The Confederates being thus become Maſters of the Convoy, and of 5000 Crowns in Money, were returning with it towards *Weſel*, but had not marched a Mile when 3 fresh Squadrons of French appeared, and put themſelves into a poſture to recover their Booty, but they too were quickly routed, and moſt of them cut in pieces: The Sergeant-Major *Lion*, who commanded the Convoy, was kill'd in the firſt Action, and a Captain of Horſe, with 2 Lieutenants, in the ſecond. Upon the News whereof, the Lieutenant-General *de Sourdis*, who had his Quarters at *Nuis*, and the Marechal de Camp *Barvillac*, drew what Troops they could together, and having formed a Body of 24 Squadrons, and 7 Battalions, marched in purſuit of the Confederates; But theſe being joined by the *Brandenburgh* Generals, *Scheming* and *Barfus*, and Lieutenant-General *Aylmer* of *Holland*, with their Body of Reſerve, and 4 pieces of Cannon, a Party of Dragoons was ſent to conſult the Convoy to a place of Security, and the reſt made a halt in a large plain, where it was reſolved, with common Conſent, to expect the Enemy, although they had no Foot, being about 5000 Horſe and Dragoons; They had hardly taken this Reſolution, when the Enemy appeared in good order: The Confederates put themſelves into a poſture to receive them, and advanced in two Lines towards them, Major-General *Barfus* commanding the Right, Major-General *Slangenbeck* the Left, and the Generals *Aylmer* and *Scheming* the Main Body: The firſt ſhock began with very brisk Firing on both ſides, and the Fight was very hot till the French Horſe and Dragoons falling into diſorder, and being preſſed upon by the Confederates, were put to flight: The Marquis *de Sourdis* finding no means left to ſtop thoſe that fled, or to ſave the Foot, of which the Battalions of *Provence*, *Rouſillon*, and of the Queen, were entirely defeated, retired towards Night with the reſt into a Wood, which ſaved them. It's reckoned that above 2500 French were kill'd in theſe three Actions, and between 4 and 500 taken Priſoners; Thoſe that eſcaped being diſpers'd in ſmall Parties to regain their Garriſons; And the Marquis *de Sourdis* himſelf getting with much difficulty to *Breul*, from whence he retired to *Bon*. This change of Fortune has cauſed ſo great a conſternation among the French in theſe parts, that they have quitted all the places they were poſſeſſed of in this Electorate, except *Bon*, *Keyſerwaert*, and *Rhinberg*. The *Brandenburghers* entered the 14th into *Nuis*, where 250 French were made priſoners of War. The 16th they abandoned *Sibourg* on the other ſide of the *Rhine*, and a Party of Horſe and Foot was ſent from hence to take poſſeſſion thereof. The ſame day they alſo quitted *Zons* on the *Rhine*; and *Soeſt*: And 220 French who were in the Caſtle of *Lingen*, and 150 at *Ordingen*, upon the appearing of ſome of the Confederate Troops before thoſe places, ſurrendered at diſcretion. The French have likewiſe abandoned all the ſmall places and Caſtles they were Maſters of on the River *Eyſe*. And the *Brandenburghers* have taken the Town of *Keempen*, after having defeated 200 French that were marching thither. The Governor of *Keyſerwaert* has been ſummoned by the Confederates to ſurrender the Place, which is not doubted he will comply with, part of the Garriſon Declaring, That having taken an Oath to the Great Chapter of *Cologne*, they could not fight againſt the Confederates. A Great Council was held two days ago at *Bon*, where it was reſolved, to ſend the Brother of General *Alfeldt* to *France*, to demand a ſpeedy Succor.

*Duſeldorp, March 18.* We are aſſured, that in the Fight on *Saturday* laſt below *Nuis*, above 2000 French were kill'd, beſides a great number wounded; And the Dutch and *Brandenburghers* loſt about 400 Men. The Lieutenant-General *Scheming* has ſince taken the Caſtle of *Linn*; And ſome of the Confederate Troops are entered into *Zons* and *Sibourg*. The Duke of *Hollſtein*, Major-General of the *Brandenburgh* Forces, appeared the 16th inſtant, with ſeveral Thouſand Men, before *Keyſerwaert*, and ſummoned the Garriſon; Two of the four Companies of the Cardinal of *Furſtemberg's* Troops in Garriſon there laid down their Arms, and declared they would not fight againſt the Confederates; Whereupon the Governor deſired two days time to return an Answer, which was granted; So that we are hourly expecting to hear of the Surrender of that place. The

Biſhop of *Munſter* having commanded a Detachment of his Troops to attack *Werle* in *Saurland*, the Brigadier *Guy*, who commanded there for the Cardinal, ſurrendered the place, with the Caſtle, after ſome ſmall Reſiſtance: This place is very ſtrong, and of an Advantageous Situation. The ſaid Biſhop gives the Emperor 6000 Men to be employed on the *Rhine*. It is reported, that the Cardinal of *Furſtemberg* would have retired from *Bon*; But that General *Alfeldt* would not ſuffer him: This is certain, that there is a great Fear among the French at *Bon*. In the *Palatinate* the French continue their Barbarities; They have, within theſe few days, plundered and diſmantled *Bacharach*, and intend to ſet Fire to the Town at their leaving it. They blow up all the Caſtles, and other Fortified Places, and when that is done, will quit that whole Country, and retire to *Mont-Royal*. The Elector of *Bavaria* is perfectly recovered, and makes great Preparations to be early in the Field, intending to act with a very fine Army on the ſide of the *Rhine*.

*Bruffels, March 22.* The defeat of the French between *Nuis* and *Rhinberg* is not only confirmed, but even appears to be more conſiderable than was at firſt reported; And the Conſequences are very favourable to the Allies; Who are preparing to attack *Bon*. We are told from *Lille*, that the French have provided a great number of Bombs, Carcaſſes, &c. And that a Camp was mark'd out for 8000 Horſe, and 26 Battalions near *Tournay*.

*Paris, March 22.* There has been a great Encounter between the Confederate and French Troops near the *Rhine*, in which the latter were entirely routed; but they would here conceal the Loſs they have ſuſtained, however we hear, that two of the old Regiments were quite cut off: And that it put the Cardinal of *Furſtemberg* into ſo much diſorder that he had reſolv'd to retire to *Metz*, whether he had already ſent his beſt Goods, not thinking himſelf ſafe at *Bon*. It's ſaid an Expreſs is arriv'd from *Rome* with the News of the Death of Queen *Chriſtina* of *Sueden*.

#### Advertisements.

Whereas Sir John Read Kt. and Bar. was, on Tueſday the 26th of February laſt, (in the Night time,) Rob'd by about 20 Perſons, at his Houſe at Brocket-Hall in the Pariſh of Hatfield, in the County of Hertford, of Money, Plate, and Goods, to the value of about 2000l. His Maſteſty, upon his Humble Petition, was Graciously pleaſed, for the better Diſcovery of the Offenders, to Declare, that His Pardon ſhall be Granted to ſuch One or Two of the Perſons as ſhall be the firſt that ſhall come before any of His Maſteſty's Præſy Councilors, or Juſtices of the Peace, and be the firſt Diſcoverer of the ſaid Robbery, ſhall have 25 l. per Cent. for what is recovered, beſides 50 l. more to Two Perſons that ſhall be the firſt Discoverers, to be paid by the ſaid Sir John Read, upon the Conviction of any of the ſaid Offenders.

There will be expoſed to Sale at the Outrappers Office at the Weſt End of the Royal Exchange, above Stairs, No 22th inſtant, at 9 in the Morning preſiſly, ſeveral Eaſt-India Goods, viz. Long Cloſh, white and brown, about 12000 Pieces, Saltam-pores ordinary 5000, Sorvaguees 13000, Broad and narrow Baſts 7000, Deribands large and ſmall 20000, Pawkaes ſeveral ſorts 20000, Dugarees 6000, Bivants 2000, Bettallees R. 28 and 25, 5000, Callaway poſſe 2000, Guicoms 1000, Parcaſſes 1500, Colour'd Ginſams 1000, Soofees 1000, Pelongs white 1400, Blue Shirts 7000, Guinea-Stuffs 2000, Pallampores large and ſmall 2000, Tapiles narrow 1000, Soopes 400, Skomes 400, Quilts large and ſmall 400, 38 Bails of Bengal Silks, No. A. B. C. G. H. white and yellow about 7000l. Near, and 6 Canisters of Tea. The Book of the Particulars for Sale may be had at Mr. William Atwells and Compariners Goldſmiths in Exchange Alley, London, on Monday the 18th of March in the Afternoon.

A Sermon preached before the Queen at Whitehall, March 1. 1688. By Simon Patrick, D. D. Dean of Peterborough. Printed for Rich. Chilwell at the Roſe and Crown in St. Paul's Church Yard.

There will be a Fair held in the City of Lincoln for 4 days, to begin on the ſecond Tueſday in April next; The 3 firſt days will be a Horſe Fair only, and the 4th day will be for all ſorts of Cattle, Beaſts, Wares, and Merchandizes, whatſoever; And the Mayor, and Juſtices of Peace of the ſaid City, will take Special care, that all fitting Accommodations on this occaſion ſhall be had at moderate prizes.

W. H. A Youth between 17 and 18 years of age, ſmall of ſtature, freſh colored, red hair'd, but wears a ſhort brown bob Wig, went away from his Maſter a month ſince. Whoever gives notice of him to Mr. Joſeph Skiprons at the Kings head in Whitecroſs ſtreet at the end of Chifwell ſtreer, ſhall have a Guinea Reward and Charges.

The One and twentieth Inſtant will be Sold by Auction, a Collection of English, Latine, and French Books, at the Three Half-Moons in St. Pauls Churchyard, among the Woollen Drapers: Catalogues of which may be had at Mr. Nutts in the Pall-Mall, at the Flower de luce in Little Brittain, and at the place of Sale every Afternoon.

There is to be Sold by publick Sale, on the 1st Inſtant in the Afternoon, a parcel of Coffee, Tea, and other Druggs, at the Outrappers Office at the Weſt end of the Royal Exchange in Cornhill, where they may have Bills of the particulars.