

Where he was Honourably received according to His Dignity and Character, and entertain'd at Dinner by His Majesties Officers with extraordinary Magnificence in an apartment allotted for that purpose in the Old Castle; which ended, the *Sieur de Louvill*, Introdutor to Ambassadors, with the Count *de Armagnac*, attended the Legate, and conducted him to his Audience through a double Rank of the Swiss Guards which were placed along the stairs by which he was to pass, where the *Sieur de saintot*, Master of the Ceremonies, receiving him, lead him into the Hall, at the door whereof stood the Duke *de Noailles*, who conducted him through the *Quais* of the Body to the door of His Majesties Chamber: where at his Entry he was with much kinne received by His Majesty, and lead to the Canopy of state, where a Chair being set for him, they continued together in conference about a quarter of an hour, which ended, His Majesty accompanying him to the place where he before received him, he was thence conducted to his Audience of the Queen and Dauphin, and thence attended back to his apartment in the same Order.

The next day he was again entertained at Dinner as the Day before, which ending, two Arch-Bishops and 10 Bishops in their Habits of Ceremony, conducted by the *Sieur de Pin* an assistant or aid of the Ceremonies, attended him, where the Arch-Bishop of *Vienna* complimented him in the name of the Clergy.

The same day being designed for the Ceremony of the Baptisme of the Dauphin, all things were accordingly prepared in the Court of the Old Castle; where was erected a Scaffold of about thirty yards in length, and a breadth proportionable, whereon was placed a stately Altar, with Conveniences and Tables for that Ceremony, and places for the Musick, all richly adorned and excellently well lighted. About one of the Clock, the Clergy, the Ambassadors, and the Chancellor of *France*, at the Head of the Council, with the Secretaries of State and several persons of Quality, took their Seats, as directed by the Aid of the Ceremonies: In the mean while Mademoiselle, Mademoiselle *d'Orleans*, Madam *de Guise*, the Princess *de Conde*, the Dutchesse *d'Enguyen*, with the Prince *de Conde*, Duke *d'Enguyen*, Prince *de Conti*, and the Count *de Clermont* his Brother, lead by the Master of the Ceremonies, went into the Chamber of the Dauphin; which was extraordinarily richly hung and furnished; where Madam *iselle d'Orleans*, and Madam *de Guise* taking up the Coverure of the Bed, Mademoiselle took up the Dauphin, the Dutchesse *d'Enguyen* distributing the following Honours, viz. the Towel to the Prince *de Conde*, the Balon and Rwer of Massivè Gold to the Duke *d'Enguyen*, the Salt and Chrysome to the Prince *de Conti*, and the Paper to the Count *de Clermont*; then the Master of the Ceremonies went to attend thither the Princess *de Conti*, who in that Ceremony supplied the room of the Queen Mother of *England*, and afterwards the Cardinal Legate, on whom attended also the *Sieur de Bonneville*. All things being thus in readines, they began to pass forwards in this Order, First marched the Archers of the Grand Provost, followed by the hundred Swisses of his Majesties Guards; then the Gentlemen Waiters, with the Ordinary Attendants, and all the Heralds; after them came the Knights of the Order, in their Habits of Ceremony; then followed the Count *de Clermont*, Prince *de Conti*, Duke *d'Enguyen*, and Prince *de Conde*, bearing the Honours before the Dauphin; who came between Monsieur on his right hand, and the Duke *de Crequy* on his left, as Chief Gentleman of his Chamber, his Train carried up by the Duke *de Mercœur*, and immediately before him to young Lords, as Children of Honour richly habited, after him follow'd the Lady *Marcella de la Mothe* his Governels, and the Count *d'Agen* as Captain of the Guards, then the Cardinal Duke attended on by his Officers, whereof one carried before him his Cross, and by his side the Princess of *Conti*, led by the Count *d'Arff*, followed by Madam *iselle*, led by the Chevalier *de la Roche Fournault*, and behind her the Marquess *de St. Chaimont* her Governels; then Madam *iselle d'Orle-*

*ans*, led by the Master of her Horse; Madam *de Guise* by the Count *de St. Mesme*; the Princess *de Conde* by the Count *de Luffan*; and the Dutchesse *d'Enguyen* by the Count *de Morcuil*; then came the Prelates and Commanders of the Orders; and after them the Guards of the body; in which Order they arrived at the Court of the Old Castle, where their Majesties were ready seated expecting them; the Honours were by the Princes, who bare them, placed upon Tables prepared for them, and the Dauphin led to a place raised for him near the Font, when the Musick singing the *Veni Creator*, the Dauphin was presented at the Font by the Duke *de Crequy*, and the Princess *de Conde* taking off his Cap, the Cardinal *Antonio* chief Almoner of *France* assisted by the Bishop of *Orleans* His Majesties principal Almoner, with two Arch-Bishops and six Bishops, performed the Ceremony of his Baptisme, the Cardinal Legate giving the name of *Louis*, which done, they returned in the same Order to the New Castle, where his Majesty gave them an extraordinary Supper, with which they concluded that Evening.

The 25th Instant the Cardinal Duke *de Vendosme* Levee *a Latere*, took his leave of their Majesties at *St. Germain*, having been conducted to his Audience by the Count *d'Armagnac*, and the *Sieur de Bonneville*, Introdutor to Ambassadors; the next day the Envoy from *Portugal* and the Elector of *Mayence* had severally Audience from His Majesty with the usual Ceremonies.

From *Lille* we are informed that a Brewer is lately apprehended in that City, being suspected to have put some poysonous Ingredients into his Beers, by which means some numbers of the Soulers perish, and not by the Plague; as was formerly imagined.

From *Madrid* we are informed, that the Marquis *de Granada*, employed from the Empero to that Court, has given an account of the state of the military preparations in the Empire, where a considerable force will be in short time readines to march for the assistance of the *Netherlands*; but that it would be necessary to a lance 800 thousand Crowns for the defraying the expences of those Levies.

The 18 Bishops of whom complaint was made to his Majesty, that they were too favourable to the Opinions of the *Jansenists*, have by a large Letter written to his Majesty somewhat satisfied him, in giving a full account and state of the present Affairs of the Church, shewing that the late procedure of the Pope against them, was against his Majesties Prerogative, as well as against the privileges of the *Gallicane Church*.

Deal, March 26. Yesterday in the afternoon and the last night, arrived here six English Merchant ships from *Bourdeaux*, and as many more from *Spain*, all of them bound for *London*; besides four Scottish ships, and 8 other Vessels belonging to the Northern parts of this Kingdom from the same Ports.

*Bristol*, March 23. This Morning arrived in *King's Road* one Ship of *Amsterdam*, and one of *Hambrough*; their lading Deals and Pantiles, and one other Vessel from *Ireland*.

An Advertisement from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, March 23.

WHEREAS the Tallies struck heretofore upon the Farmers of his Majesties Customs, have usually to be paid promiscuously, without any certain Order, the Lords Commissioners of His Majesties Treasury have lately caused so many of the Tallies on the Customs unpaid, as have come to their know edge, to be registered in a certain course in which they are to be paid, which Register is to be seen, either in Sir Robert Long's Office, or at the Custom House; where all persons concerned may see the Course in which they are to be paid: and if any persons have Tallies unpaid, which are not in the said List, they are desired within 14 days from the date hereof, to shew their said Tally to Sir George Downings, that he may take notice thereof, so that they may be put in a Course of payment after those already registered, lest otherwise any new Charge upon the said Revenue excludethem.