

*Brussels, Jan. 18.* The Troops of this Garrison that marched lately towards *Flanders* returned hither the 16th instant. The *Marquis de Bedmar*, our *Maître de Camp General*, is likewise come back; but the Duke of *Holstein* continues at *Newport*, to Command there. Things are at present very quiet on our Frontiers, but we are told that the Enemy do provide a great number of Bombs, Carcasses, &c. at *Minbeuge* and *Mons*; and they give out that the French King will be there in March. The French have plundered and burnt all the Bourgs and Villages about *Furns*; Their Hospitals are full of sick Soldiers; And the scarcity of Corn encreases daily within the French Dominions; insomuch, That a Bushel of Corn is sold at *Mons* for a Pistol; by reason whereof both the Soldiers and Inhabitants suffer very much. The *Prince de Vandemont* has obtained leave from the King of Spain to retire to *Rome* on account of the ill State of his Health; His Pensions will be continued him; and as we hear they are assigned out of the Revenues of *Naples*.

*Hague, Jan. 20.* The Baron Van *Heckeren* who was lately at the Courts of *Lunenbug* in the quality of *Envoy Extraordinary* from this State, is arrived with the same Character at that of *Saxony*; from whence 'tis said he has Orders to go to *Sweden*. We have advice, That the Count d'*Acoux* and *Monfieur de Bonropes*, Ambassadors from *France* to *Sweden* and *Denmark*, are arrived at *Dunkirke*, from whence they will continue their Voyage by Sea. On the 17th Sailed out of the *Texel* about 150 Dutch Merchantmen, bound for the *Streights* and other Parts, with a good Convoy.

*Plimouth, January 10.* Yesterday appeared off of this Harbour the *West India* Fleet, under the Command of Sir *Francis Woeeler*, who came the day before out of *Cowes Road*; and after having lain by for several Ships to joyn them out of this Port, they Sailed again to the Westward with a fair Wind. The same day Sailed from hence the *Minutague*, *Crown*, *Advice*, and four Dutch Men of War to the Westward.

*Portsmouth, January 11.* Yesterday came to Spithead above 100 Sail of Dutch outward bound Merchant Ships; and this day five Dutch Men of War from the Eastward, one of them a Rear-Admiral. This day likewise Sailed from hence Their Majesties Ships the *Waspsight*, *Defiance*, *St. Albans*, *Bonadventure*, and *Mary Galley*, with the Fleet of English Merchantmen bound to *Bilboa*.

*Whitehall, January 12.* This day *William Bridgman Esq* was Sworn one of the Clerks of Their Majesties most Honourable Privy Council, in the place of *John Dye Esq* Deceased.

These are to give Notice, That the Right Honourable the Lord Commissioners of Their Majesties Treasury have appointed Money for the Payment of the Arrears due to the Chest at *Crabham* to *Lady Day* last viz. for the years 1689, 1690, and 1691, as also some Money to such Seamen as have been wounded in Their Majesties Service, and have not yet received it, which Payment will begin on Monday being the 12th of February next.

Whereas all Letters sent to *Barton upon Trent*, and the Towns adjacent, did formerly go by *Derby Bag*; This is to give Notice, That there is now a Sealed Bag sent directly to *Barton* 2 times a Week by way of *Litchfield*, and Answers will in like manner be returned from thence, so that all Persons that send any Letters to *Barton*, or any of its Ore-

ntinent, are desired to direct them by *Barton Bag* in *Staffordshire*.

Whereas several Ministers and Churchwardens, and some Preachers of Meeting Houses, have sent up their Collections upon *Heddon Brief* to Mr. R. butt *Clavell*, Bookeller, at the West-end of St. Pauls Church-yard, London; All others are desired to do the same when they come or send to London, who have not already paid them to the Registers, and others deputed in several Counties mentioned in the Letters Patents: And such as have not paid in their Collections on the Briefs for *Bury*, *Aldersford*, and *St. Ives*, are desired to pay in the same as aforesaid, where Acknowledgements at all times shall be ready, under the Hand of Mr. *Midleton*, Receiver of the said Briefs. And if any Ministers have not received the Brief for Redemption of Captives, upon Notice given to the said Mr. *Midleton*, with Directions how to send them, they shall be sent accordingly.

#### Advertisements.

✧ A Discourse of Christianity: Laying open the Abuses thereof in the Anti-Christian Lives and Worship of many of its Professors; Especially the Remnants; And Shewing the Way to a Holy Life in the Character of a True Christian. Written Originally in French by the Famous *Monfieur de Gombauld*. And now done into English by P. *Lorrain*. Printed for S. Lowndes over against Exeter Exchange in the Strand.

✧ The General History of the Air, Design'd and Begun by the Honourable Robert Boyle Esq; Printed for Awnsum and John Churchill, at the Black-Swan in Patern-Noster-Row, near Amen-Corner.

✧ At the Crown Coffee-house at Ratcliff-Cross, on Wednesday the 18th instant, and the following days, will be exposed to Sale by Auction, an extraordinary Collection of Paintings and Limnings, &c. by the best Masters, the Sale beginning at 4 each after Noon. Catalogues may be had at the place of Sale.

✧ At Batson's Coffee-house against the Royal-Exchange in Cornhill, this present Monday the 16th instant, will be exposed to Sale by Auction, a choice Collection of Pictures, beginning at 5 after Noon, and will continue some days, beginning at the same Hour. By Richard Banester.

✧ At the West-end of Exeter-Change, in the Strand, on Tuesday next the 17th instant, and the two following days, will be exposed to Sale by way of Auction, a Curious Collection of Original Paintings, and other fine Copies, by the best Masters of Europe, some fit for Halls, Stair-cases, &c. beginning at 4 each Afternoon. Catalogues may be had at Mr. Playfords in the Temple near the Church, and at the place of Sale.

A Dark brown lank Hair, middle sized Man, aged about 33, a scar over his left Eye, the middle Finger of his left Hand broke, and turned in; he is an Irish Man, sometimes goes by the Name of *Fitz Gerald*, Leitch, Brown, and most commonly John Legg: He speaks French and Dutch, wears a brown Cloth Coat and blue breeches, on Saturday the 7 instant, he run away with 550 Guineas, and two Spanish 3 l. 10 s. pieces of Gold, and a Campaign Wig. Whoever secures him, so as all or a considerable part of the said Money can be Recovered, and give Notice thereof to Mr. Mark Noble, Haberdasher of Small Ware, at the Anchor and Crown in the Strand, shall have 20 Guineas Reward.

These are to give Notice to all Gentlemen or others that will Travel hence to Germany, Italy, Switzerland, or Piedmont, Vienna, Geneva, Bern, Zurich, &c. that the Guide who has at Utrecht in Holland, Coaches, Horses, and Wagons, is now in London for a Fortnight or Three Weeks, with whom they that are desirous to go to the aforesaid Places may agree for the price of their Carriage, he having good and sufficient Securities to give here and in Holland. Inquire for him at the Swiss Coffee-house in New-street, Covent-Garden, over-against Bedford-berry.

THE Commissioners appointed in a Commission of Bankrupt against Roger Maffell, late of Sarum in Wilts, Linnen Draper, do hereby desire all the Creditors forthwith to pay their Contribution money to Mr. John Shergold at the Sign of the Maiden-head in Cornhill, London; and to make Proof of their Debts on Thursday the 26th instant, at the Green Dragon Tavern in Fleet-street, between 3 and 6 after Noon, or else be excluded from the Benefit of the first Dividend.

Stolen from Mr. Nich. Fletcher of Campden in Gloucestershire, the 8th instant, a strong Gelding, 15 hands high, a yellowish Sorrel, with a flaxen Mane, his Dock pretty long, with grizzled Hair on one of his Buttocks, all his paces, 7 years old; Also a darkish brown Mare, above 14 hands high, near 5 years old, and sore under the jaws by the Glanders. Whoever gives Notice of them to the said Mr. Fletcher, or to Mrs. Buttons at his Coffee-house against the Royal-Exchange, shall have a Guinea for each; And whoever apprehends the Fellows shall have 5 l. Reward after Conviction.

Joseph Scelfe, aged about 25, was enticed from his Masters Service on the 11th instant, having an Estate lately fallen to him by the Death of a Relation; 'tis feared he may fall into ill Hands: The residue whoever shall bring him to Mr. John Ince in Fenchurch-street, next Door to Ironmongers-Hall, or give him such Notice of the Lad, that he may be found, shall have a Guinea Reward; and he Lad shall be also kindly received, and executed by his Masters.