

the force I have here to abandon this place. The Cossacks are fully resolved to maintain Peace and a good Correspondency with the Tartars, without whom they declare they are not able to live; but set a small value upon the Polanders, as being able to subsist without them.

Brussels, March 23. We have here Letters from Father Nithard the Inquisitor, written from Bierbesia about 40 leagues from Madrid, informing us of his resolution of passing into Germany, and from thence to Rome.

Here is lately arrived the Heer Maetsfelt Agent from Madam the Princess Dowager of Orange, who has in the Name of that Princess his Mistress complemented the Constable of Castille upon his entry into the Government of these Countries.

The Colledge of the Nine Nations refused to consent to the Demands of the Constable, till he had promised them to suppress the Imposts as they were established at Willebracck. They press earnestly the restoring of the Copper Plates which were by Order of Charles the Fifth fixed upon their Gates; having on them engraved the sums which were to be charged upon all sorts of Merchandizes coming in or going out of this City: the said Plates having been privately taken down about 2 or 3 years since. The Magistrates have publicly offered the sum of an hundred Rixdollers to any person who shall give them true information who it was that took them away.

Hague, March 25. The 23th instant arrived the Heer de Villaeus a Major in the Garrison at Maestricht, informing the States of the death of the Commander Inter-sum of his wounds, of which he died the 20th instant; whereupon the States immediately conferred the Charge of High Bailly of Daclien, Hertogenrade, and Overmarze, which was vacant by his decease, upon the Heer Van Asseren.

The States are giving out new Commissions to several Officers, who are ordered to repair with their Companies to the several Garrisons upon the Frontiers of Brabant and Flanders. The States Commissioners and Deputies have had a late Conference with Marshal Wurts about the exercising of the Militia.

The Deputies from the States of Zealand have been received with much civility by the States, and are falling upon the business of their Negotiation.

The States General having taken notice of several scandalous Pamphlets and defamatory Libels which have lately crept out of the Press, have issued out an Arrest or Decree in confirmation of some former ones upon the same subject, against such persons as shall presume to print, sell, or distribute any Libel or Pamphlet, to the defamation or dishonour of any strangers of what quality or condition soever they are; or any other Book containing any thing of scandal, or what is repugnant and contrary to good manners; under pain of forfeiting One thousand Livres for the first default, besides confiscation of all such Copies as shall be found upon them, and Corporal punishment for the second.

Yesterday arrived here from Amsterdam the Heer Charisus Envoye from the Crown of Denmark, having agreed upon the method of measuring such ships as shall trade in Norway and the Sound.

Paris, March 27. On Sunday last was solemnly baptized Monsieur the Duke of Anjou, in the Chappel of the Palace in the Thuilleries, where officiated Cardinal Arthonis, assisted by the Condujtor of Rheims and one other Bishop; the Duke of Orleans standing as Godfather in the Room and Name of the Emperour, and Little Madam for the Queen of Spain; who gave him the Name of Philip.

From the New Conquests in the Netherlands we find that the Farmers who rent Lands or Tenements from such persons as live within the Spanish Jurisdiction, are easily induced to comply with the late Prohibition from paying their Rents, under pain of paying twice; besides other punishment, to which they should be liable: and from Dunkirk, that they have made a considerable progress in the enlargement of that place; for which they have pulled down

two Bastions, and are now raising a new Cittadelle: and that they are enlarging the Gract at Mardike, and intend to make it a Port capable of containing a large Fleet of Ships.

The 25th instant arrived here Mr. Montague Ambassadour from His Majesty of Great Britain, but continues yet incognito.

From Barcellona they write, that they have not of late had any news of 10 of the Spanish Gallies which have been for some time cruising upon those seas, and were some dayes since expected in that Port.

From Swisse we are advised, that the Cantons have deferred their General Diet, and that His Majesties Resident has informed them that he had 100 thousand Crowns in his hands, with Orders to pay them; on condition they would oblige themselves not to enter into any new Alliance contrary to what they formerly contracted with His Most Christian Majesty.

On Sunday last His Majesty ordered a Declaration to be sealed for the Continuance of the Paulette or Droit Annual for three years; from which he has thought fit to exempt the Treasurers of France, the Chamber of Accounts of Montpellier, the Court of Monneys, the Officers belonging to his Revenue of Salt, and the Parliament of Metz.

Plymouth, March 16. The Fleet of Merchant ships which was for some time detained here by contrary winds, failed yesterday from this Port with a fair gale. Two ships are lately arrived here from France laden with Corn.

London, March 20. This day His Majesty and Royal Highness, having diverted themselves for some dayes about New-Market and other parts of the Countrey, returned again to Whitehall.

London, March 21. Yesterday in the Evening about 8. of the Clock, 3 persons with their horses which had been hard ridden, endeavoured to have passed the Horse-Ferry at the Mill-bank in Westminster; but the Ferry-man suspecting them for High-way-men, and refusing to unlock his Boat, they immediately put up their Horses in two several Stables, and passed over themselves to Lambeth, where upon diligent search they were seized, and upon Examination committed by Mr. Justice Morton to Newgate; they pass under several Names, viz.

- 1 Richard Dudley, alias Armestrong.
- 2 William Dudley his Brother, alias Hall.
- 3 William Jeffreys, alias Lovell.
- 4 George Cox, alias Warthem, alias Waters.
- 5 William Warwick.

Advertisements.

The Officers of the receipt of his Majesties Exchequer are come to the payment of the 1130th Order Registered on the 24th for 1250000 l. and so shall proceed to the payment of the subsequent Orders registered on that 24th, as the remains of that Taxe and the remain of the first Moneth of the Eleaven Moneths Taxe shall be brought in.

Also the said Officers are come in course to the payment of the 464th Order Registered on the 24th for the Eleaven Moneths Taxe, and shall proceed to the payment of the ensuing Orders as the Money shall come in.

And they do hereby give notice. That all persons concerned in the precedent Orders to that Number, may come and receive their Money upon producing their Orders.

His Majesty hath been graciously pleased to grant to the Duke of Buckingham and his Heirs, a Market on every Thursday weekly for ever for all manner of Cattle, and Three new Faires, to be held at Wragby in the County of Lincoln: One of the Fairs on the 18th day of September, another on the 8th day of October, and the other on the 24th day of February yearly for ever.