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Brussels, March 17. N. S.

UPON Advice, That the Imperial Troops amounting to near Twent four thousand Men, were on their March for Flanders, the States of Brabant met in this Place on the Fifteenth Instant, and the Chancellor of that Province, made them a Proposal concerning Bread and Forage, with which those Forces are to be Furnish'd. Convoys pass daily thro' the Neighbourhood of this City with Cloaths and other necessary Provisions, for the Troops of the Allies, which are now in their several Garrisons. The same Troops have Orders to be in a readiness to March whenever it shall be thought proper for them to be Canton'd upon the Frontiers, to oppose the Designs of the Enemy, who pretend, that the Marechal de Villars will come to Arras before the end of this Month, and that they have made a new Magazine of Forage at Cambray. We have an Account from Tournay, that the Earl of Albemarle their Governour, had given Orders to Eighteen Battalions and Twenty Squadrons, of the Garrisons in Brabant, and upon the Meuse, which were arriv'd near that City, to be ready to March the next Day, to the Cantonment which had been assign'd them upon the Scarpe, and the Deule, and that those Orders had been put in Execution. This Cantonment is design'd, not only to secure our Convoys for Douay, but likewise to open an Entrance into the Enemies Country, whenever it shall be thought convenient. We have already sent from hence to Douay, above a Hundred Boats loaden with Corn and Hay, which are Daily follow'd by several others, and yet we have Provisions enough still remaining here, to load above Three hundred Vessels.

Brussels, March 21. N. S. All things remain quiet on the Frontiers. Count Dhona, Governour of Mons, has receiv'd Orders from the States-General to evacuate Binch, the Garrison there being no longer of any use, since the Navigation of the Sambre is supposed to be sufficiently interrupted by breaking down the Sluices.

Utrecht, March 22. N. S. So many Ministers of the Allies are retir'd to the Hague during this Interval of Business, that there was but a very thin Appearance of those remaining at their Conference Yesterday, nor will there be any Occasion of holding one to Morrow. The French Ministers assure, that they have very certain Accounts of the young Dauphin's Health, and are of Opinion, that his Sickness was rather caus'd by the Breeding of Teeth than otherwise. They do not own to have receiv'd any new Instructions from their Court, upon the Demands made by the Allies. The Earl of Strafford went Yesterday Morning to the Hague, having some Affairs of Moment to settle, which concern his Negotiations there, but is expected back in two or three Days. Mr. Watkins, Her Majesty's Secretary to this Negotiation, is likewise called thither, and after his Return, will make but a short stay, being made Secretary to his Grace the Duke of Ormond, Captain-General of all Her Majesty's Forces, and his Post here, during his Absence, will be supply'd

by Mr. Harrison. On Sunday March the Ninth, O. S. being the Day after the Anniversary of the Queen's Accession to the Crown, Mr. Dibben, Chaplain to the Lord Privy-Seal, Preach'd an excellent Sermon in St. John's Church in Utrecht, upon that Occasion, which his Excellency was pleas'd to order to be Publish'd.

Hague, March 20. N.S. We have Advice from Paris, that the late Dauphin was Baptized by the Bishop of Metz, on the Eighth Instant, the Day on which he Died, and was Named Leyis, by the Count de la Motte, and the Dutchess of Ventadour, Governess to the Children of France. On the Tenth Instant his Body, attended by three of the King's Coaches, was carried to St. Denis, and there Interr'd; the Solemnity of the Burial being performed by the Bishop of Metz. His Heart was afterwards carried to Val de Grace, and there deposited by the same Prelate, the Dutchess of Ventadour and the Duke de Mortemar, being present at that Ceremony. The States of Holland and West Friesland met Yesterday, and adjourn'd till Wednesday the Sixth of April. The same Day Monsieur Vegelin de Claerbergen, Deputy to the States-General, came hither from Flanders, and went immediately to the Council of State. Count Sanseverini, Envoy Extraordinary from the Duke of Parma to the Queen of Great Britain is arriv'd here from England. Count Sinzendorff, the Emperor's Plenipotentiary, has receiv'd an Express from Prince Eugene of Savoy, which he has sent with Dispatches for Vienna.

Hague, March 22. N. S. Yesterday Morning the Earl of Strafford set out from Utrecht, and came in the Afternoon to this Place, where General Lumley, Lieutenant-General Withers and Cadogan arriv'd the Evening before, in pursuance of the Queen's Orders to make a timely Provision of Bread and Forage, against the Time propos'd for their taking the Field. His Excellency, together with the said Generals, have been in Conference with the Council of State, as well on that Subject, as other Matters relating to the War, and have concluded Contracts with Undertakers for delivering the Bread and Forage, and given the States-General Satisfaction, that nothing shall be wanting on the Part of Her Majesty and Her Troops, towards the Prosecution of the War with Vigour, in case a reasonable Peace cannot be obtain'd. The Earl of Strafford having other important Affairs to transact here, and nothing material at Utrecht, before the Twentieth, designs to continue here a few Days longer, as does likewise Lieutenant-General Cadogan, in hopes of meeting Prince Eugene upon his Return from England, but General Lumley and Lieutenant-General Withers, will set out to Morrow for Flanders.

Falmouth, March 10. This Day came in here from Cruising the States of Zeland Privateer, and brought in as Prize the Little Robin, of and for Nantz, from Martinico, with Sugar and Coco.

Plymouth, March 11. Yesterday came in the Winchester from the Eastward, bound to Lisbon. Last Night came in from the Fleet bound thither, three Ships with Groceries, and one with Stores, all for this Place from London.