

lector of *Cologne* has likewise sent the *Sieur Ducker*, to assist at the Conference which is appointed to be held there. What this meeting will produce, is by many with much impatience expected, and in the mean time the Princes that send Ministers to it, do, as we are told, own their Intentions of entering into a common League for their mutual defence and security. Our Letters from *Ratisbonne* of the 18th Instant inform us, That the Electoral Colledge and that of the Princes, could not agree in their opinions concerning the first steps they are to make in the Treaty with the Count de *Crecy*, and that the Courier which the said Count had sent to *Paris*, returned to *Ratisbonne* just as these Letters were closing, so that they could give no account of the Orders he had brought.

*Berlin*, Feb. 24. The 16th Instant, being his Electoral Highness's Birth-day, when he entered into his 64th Year, the Electoral Prince gave a great Entertainment, which was concluded with a very fine Fire-work. The last Week an Express was dispatched to the *Heer Brandt*, the Elector's Minister in *Denmark*; and we are told, That a great Conference will be held, before the end of this Month, between the King of *Denmark*, the Elector of *Brandenburg*, the Elector Palatine, the three Ecclesiastical Electors, the Bishop of *Munster*, and some other Princes of the Empire, by their Ministers, who are to meet at *Soest*.

*Hamburg*, Feb. 26. Three or four days ago passed through this City two Expresses, who came from *Paris*, and were going, the one for *Copenhagen*, and the other for *Berlin*. Our Letters from *Poland* give us an account of Count *Wallastain*, the Emperor's Ambassador, his publick Entry, and Audience, but do not speak of any considerable Progress he had made in this Negotiation, or of any thing of Moment that had passed in the Dyet. From *Stockhome* they write, That the King of *Sueden* had been troubled with great pains in his Leg, which he broke the last Summer; That it had been therefore opened, and that when these Letters came away, it was pretty well again.

*Hague*, March 2. The States of *Holland* are Adjourned till the 10th of the next Month, and the Prince and Princess of *Orange* are gone to *Dieren*, with intention to stay there about ten Days or a Fortnight. The *Heer Van Odycke* is returned from *Zealand*, having been present in the Assembly of the States of that Province, on the part of the Prince of *Orange* as First Noble; and he will go and wait upon his Highness at *Dieren*, to give him an account of what has passed in the Assembly of those States. The Deputies of the Admiralties, that were here, are gone home, but will return hither against the meeting of the States of *Holland*: In the mean time we are here in a great uncertainty of what will be finally done in the matter of the Equipage, which has been so much spoken of; the *Suedes* we hear, do very much press it, but the Charge of it creates difficulties that are not easily removed. It is said, That it has been proposed to encrease the Forces of this State with 15,000 Men, to be now raised, but that some of the most considerable Towns of *Holland* seem not very willing to consent therunto, unles the Necessity thereof be greater than it as yet appears to them to be. The States General are very desirous of a Com-

posure between the Princes and the States of *East-Friseland*, because of the troubles which they are sensible the continuance of those differences may occasion on that side, and therefore they have again, and very earnestly, written to those States, to exhort them to an accommodation.

*Paris*, March 3. To morrow the Court parts for *Compeigne*; It is said they will stay there but eight days, and as many at *Villiers-Cotrez*, and that they will be back at *Versailles* before the 25th of this Month, though most people believe the King will take a longer Journey. The Kings Musketeers take Tents with them, and a new sort of Boots, after the Polish fashion is making for them, which will be lighter and easier to them, when on Foot, than those they now wear.

*Deale*, Feb. 21. Yesterday the Wind coming to the E. and S. E. the Merchant Ships in the *Downs*, being about 30, set Sail, as the Men of War did this day. The Wind is now at N. N. E. a fine Breeze.

*Whitehal*, Feb. 22. This day the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners, appointed to execute the Office of Lord High Treasurer of England, Ordered, That the poor Criples, belonging to the Chest at *Chatham*, shall receive a Years Pention on the Third of May, 1683.

His Majesty has been graciously pleased to Grant two Fairs, to be hold at *Wakefield* in the County of *York*, yearly for ever: The first Fair to begin on Tuesday after Palm-Sunday next, and to continue for two days; the latter to begin the third Tuesday in August following, and to continue for three days.

His Majesty hath been graciously pleased to grant to the Right Honourable the Lord *Dartmouth* a Market to be kept on Wednesday in every Week, on that part of *Blackheath* which lies within the Parish of *Lewisham* in the County of *Kent*, and two Fairs to be kept every Year, viz. one on the first day of May and two days after, and the other on the thirtieth of September and two days after. The first Market will be kept on Wednesday the 14th of March next, and the first Fair on May-day next after, and so continue successively according to the said Grant.

Whereas there has been great Destruction of Hare, Partridge, and other His Majesties Game about *Newmarket*, His Majesty does hereby strictly forbid all Persons whatsoever to carry down (for this meeting at *Newmarket*) any Greybounds, Setting Dogs, Guns, or other Engines that may destroy any Game there: And His Majesty does further signify His Pleasure, That no Person do presume to Hunt, Hawke, Set, Course, or Shoot, between *Lackford* and the seven Mile *Ditch*, without leave first obtain'd.

#### Advertisements.

There will be two Plates run for upon a Heath near the Town of *Wakefield*, in *Yorkshire*, upon the third Wednesday and Thursday in August next; the first Plate, to be run for on Wednesday, of the value of 30 Pounds, Riding ten Stone weight, besides Saddle and Bridle, and the second, to be run for upon Thursday, of the value of fifteen Pounds, Riding ten Stone-weight, with allowance of Saddle and Bridle.

Stolen or Strayed out of some Grounds near *Bow*, on the 20th or 21 Instant, a black Gelding, about 15 hands high, low backt, a Star in his Forehead, mark'd in his fore-Past T. A. Also a Chestnut Nag, 14 hands high, a white blaze down his Forehead, Stag-headed, long Ears, mark'd on one of his fore-Hoofs with T. A. Whoever gives notice of them at the *Crown Inn*, without *Aldgate*, shall be very well Rewarded for their pains.