

*Good*, who is Resident from the Dutche's, still continues here, soliciting on the behalf of his Mistress, and has so far prevailed, that some Deputies are sent into *East-Friesland* to take cognizance of the whole business, and if possible, to end it by an amicable condiscension on both parts.

*Amsterdam, Oct. 16.* The safe return of our East India Fleet has much rejoiced the spirits of our Merchants, the whole Fleet being very richly laden, consisting of 12 ships, whereof nine from *Batavia*, the other three from the *Isle of Ceylon*, of which number, five of them were bound for this City, four for *Rotterdam*, and three for *Zealand*; only three of them are as yet come into our Ports, but the rest suddenly expected, having been forced to ride it out at Sea during the late ill weather.

The Directors of the East India Company are gone to the *Texel* or *Hly* to receive them. One of this Fleet called the *Walcheren*, unhappily foundered about *Fero*, but her goods and men preserved; another of them called *The Arms of Amsterdam*, was near the same place separated from the rest of the Company, and not yet returned as was reported. Those from *Batavia* came thence the 26th of *January* under the Command and Conduct of the *Heer Van Dam*, and in their way took into their company the three others from *Ceylon*. The *Tyger* and *Constancy*, two other of our East India ships, are yet behind at *Batavia*, but will not be expected before *February* next.

We hear of several Wrecks upon our Coasts and have great apprehensions lest the Fleet of Merchants, some few dayes since put to Sea fr in the *Texel*, may have run much hazard upon the Coasts of *England*.

*Paris, Oct. 15.* We are here informed, that the Diet at *Ratisbon*, notwithstanding all the endeavours of our Resident *Monsieur de Gravil*, has at last resolved to undertake the Protection of the Circle of *Burgundy*, as being a part of the Empire, and have desired the Electors whose Deputies were not present, to ratify their Resolutions.

This Week arriv'd a Courier sent from the Emperour to the *Sieur de Wick* his Resident here, who immediately upon the receipt of his Letters, went hence for *St. Germain* for his Audience, but not finding the usual Master of the Ceremonies, he apply'd himself to *Monsieur de Lyonne*, who introduced him to his Majesty, where by the Emperours Command, he acquainted the King with the news of the happy Delivery of the Emperess of a Son on the 28th past, which was entertained by his Majesty with all testimonies of joy, and the Resident, by his Majesty brought to his Audience of the Queen, who received from him the News with much satisfaction.

The Prince of *Conde* has at the last the liberty given him to entertain under his Command the four Regiments of Foot which formerly served him, viz. the Regiments of *Conde*, *D'Enguien*, *Burgundy* and *De Persan*, as also his own Regiment of Horse, with his Light Horsemen and Men at Arms.

His Majesty has also given to the *Marquis de Bellesfons* the Command of 3000 Horse, with which he is to make Incursions upon the Enemy between the *Sambre* and the *Meuse*.

*Yesterday* one *Aubry* was Imprisoned by an Order from his Majesty, as being the Author of a Book called, *The just pretensions of that King to the Empire*, as being written without Authority, and prejudicial to his Majesty in this conjunction of Affairs.

For the better maintenance of the Arms and defraying the great expences of the War, the Farmers of the Salt are raised five millions a year in their rent, which will enhance the price of Salt four solz in the pound.

The Duke of *Braunfort* was the 10th instant at *Rocheil*, where several of his Majesties ships are disarming and laying up for this Winter, the same course being also taken with the rest of the Fleet at *Bress*, only twelve Men of War are to pass into the *Mediterranean* under the Command of the Chevalier *de Averas*. The Duke himself having at last obtained leave to return to the Court.

*Harwich, Oct. 12.* *Yesterday* and the day before passed by

this place a Fleet of between 50 and 60 laden Colliers towards the River; two of this Fleet were the tenth instant cast away upon the Sands between *Tarmouth* and *Winterton*. Several light Colliers are also passed by to the Northwards, where many wrecks have been seen floating.

*Whitehall, Oct. 10.* This day both Houses of Parliament according to their Prorogation, being Assembled at *Westminster*, His Majesty with the usual Solemnity came into the Lords House, where the House of Commons with their Speaker attending Him, His Majesty in a short Speech acquainted them, That at their last meeting about 12 Weeks since, He though fit to Prorogue them to this day, Resolving there should be a Session now, in the mean while giving himself time to do some things, which He hoped would not be unwelcome to them, but by a foundation for a greater Confidence between them for the future, which he had since done, leaving the other Reasons of their Prorogation, with some other Matters of which He was pleased to acquaint them, to be Declared by the Lord Keeper, who in Obedience to His Majesties Command, in a larger Speech acquainted the two Houses with His Majesties farther Reasons for the late Prorogation, together with His Desires of recommending to their Wisdoms the Obstructions of Trade, and the Settlement of such a Balance of Trade between the Subjects of this Kingdom and those of *Scotland*, that we may not be prejudiced by the import of their Commodities hither, nor yet they so far distant as to leave off Trading here, and find out another vent abroad, in which His Majesty had used some endeavours, but found it too hard for Him without the assistance of His Parliament.

As to the accounts of the moneys given towards the War, which His Majesty formerly promised should be given them, His Majesty had commanded His Officers to make them ready; and since that way of Commission, where he put the Examination of them had been ineffectual, His Majesty was willing the Parliament should follow their own Method in examining them in what way, and as strictly as they pleased, assuring them He will leave every one concerned to stand or fall according to his own Innocency or Guilt. That His Majesty having reason to believe that some disaffected persons taking advantage of the publick necessity, had spread abroad discourses and rumours reflecting upon the Government, yet His Majesty promised himself from the good affections of his Parliament, that every one of them in their several places would endeavour to preserve a good understanding between him and his People, adding, that if any just grievances shall have happened, his Majesty will be as willing and ready to redress them for the future, as they to have them represented to his Majesty not doubting but that they will give healing and moderate Counsels, and imprint that known truth into his Subjects hearts, that there is no distinct Interest between the King and his People, but that the good of the one is the good of both. These Speeches were received with the general applause and satisfaction of both Houses, who afterwards adjourned till the Monday following.

#### Advertisements.

The Officers of the Receipt of his Majesties Exchequer, in continuance of the payments of the Order Registered on the Act for 1250000 l. are come to the 52th Order in number and course. The preceding Orders that are yet unpaid, are the 135. 153. 165. 189. 411. 426. 447. 461. 463. 468. 471. 472. 475. 478. 492. 493. 494. 497. 498. 501. 502. 503. 508. 509. 510. 519. and that of 520 for which Orders money is reserved in Bank for payment of Principal and Interest to the time that in course it becomes due, according to the Act.

*Whitehall, Treasury-Chamber, Oct. 9. 1667.*

Whereas his Majesty hath lately been pleased to grant to John Watts of London Gent. his Letters Patents under the Great Seal of England, for receiving all his Majesties Revenues within the Counties of *Essex*, *Hertford*, *Middlesex*, and *London*, All persons concerned are to take notice thereof, and to pay their several Rents to him, and no other. And that the Office for the receipt of the same is of the sign of the Rose and Crown ever against the New Exchange in the Strand.