

case he were not provoked by the Princes interesting themselves in the wars of the *Netherlands*, where notwithstanding his Master will be ready to give up all his Conquests upon the payment of 16 Millions of Gold.

The beginning of the next Month, all the General Officers of the Army, with the Colonels of Horse and Foot, are to make their appearance in this City, to consult about the Military affairs, and to receive such Orders as his Imperial Majesty shall find convenient to give them.

We have here much discourse of a League betwixt the Emperour, the Crown of *Swedenland*, the Marquis of *Brandenburg*, and the Dukes of *Lunenburg*, but as yet we suspect the certainty of it.

The Duke of *Wurtemberg* is now upon his return homewards, to whom the Emperour has order'd to be paid a considerable number of Ducats, partly as a Present, and partly for the defray of the expences of his voyage.

The Marquis de *Guitty* has again left this place, and is returning homewards, carrying with him the Pictures of their Imperial Majesties, which are to be presented to their Most Christian Majesties.

Some few days since, the Secretary of the Embassy from *Venice*, having had a long Audience from the Emperour, did therein very pathetically express the great dangers which threaten'd not onely the Republick of *Venice*, but the whole Christian world, if the City of *Constantinople* should fall into the hands of the Turk, effectually representing to His Imperial Majesty, how much it was the Interest of all the Christian Princes to be watchful over their Common Enemy, and by their timely assistance to prevent so great and irreparable a Calamity, as would be the loss of that important Island; to which the Emperour return'd a very satisfactory answer, with a promise to take that business so effectually into his consideration, that Forces should be in little time in readiness for their succours.

The Spanish Levies for *Milan* are much advanced, the Officers being in all places very diligent in listing Souldiers for that Service. Several Reformed Officers are lately entertain'd by the Emperours command, and order'd to raise men for his service.

From *Hungary* we are advertis'd that a party of Turks sent out from *Newhaufel*, surpriz'd 10 of the Hussars who were abroad searching for some Booty, and carried them away prisoners, but at their return, presenting them to the Governour of that place, they were immediately order'd to be cut in pieces in his presence, only one of them pardon'd.

Since the recalling of the great Bassa to *Constantinople*, the Hungarians are somewhat apprehensive lest the Quiet of that Countrey may in little time receive some disturbance by the change, his successor being reputed a person of great severity, and a known Enemy to the Christians.

*Hamburg*, Jan. 4. Our neighbouring forces still continue their old Quarters, but talk high, as if they suddenly expected employment, and might in little time make themselves merry with the Emperours money. Count *Coningmark* is daily expected with impatience from *Swedenland*: some reports there are, that the Swedes intend to raise fresh forces to be join'd with their Army in the Duchy of *Bremen*, for the pursuance of some designe of importance. From *Stockholm* they tell us, that the Birth-day of the young King of *Sweden* was the 4th of *December* celebrated with extraordinary signes of joy, he then entering into the 14th year of his age, and that the Count *Magnus de la Garde*, Great Chancellor of that Kingdom, made that day an extraordinary Treat to the King and Queen; with most of the principal Senators of that Kingdom, and the great persons of the Court, concluding his entertainment with a Ball, at which there was a great appearance of Ladies, of the most eminent Quality.

On *Christmas* evening happened here a great and sudden Fire, beginning in a Dye-house, upon the *Holland-Rye*, which continued above 4 hours, consuming great quantities of Goods the whole loss amounting to a very considerable sum.

*Bruges*, Jan. 10. These Countreys are every where much

tired out and harass'd by the Enemies forces which are daily abroad in Parties, fetching in contribution, and imposing burthens upon the people, which makes them with much impatency, expect the success of the so long discourse of Mediation and Treaty between the two Crowns, for which 'tis said His Excellency the Marquis de *Castel Rodrigo* is furnish'd with power as Plenipotentiary to attend the Treaty at *Aken*, though others as much doubt the success, as they do as yet of the place design'd for that great work: in the mean time by an Express arriv'd at *Brussels* from *Madrid*, we are put into great hopes of a timely and vigorous assistance before Spring, which is much encouraged by the safe arrival of the Gallions at *Cadix*, which will infinitely encourage the advance of Moneys for the better carrying on of the Warre.

The same Letters confirm to us the report of a late indisposition into which his Catholick Majesty was lately fallen, which in the end broke out into the small-pox, but that he was past all danger, and in a fair way of recovery; that the Marquis of *Caracene* was arriv'd at *Madrid*, having left the Army behind him on the Frontiers in good order, and the Countrey every where in a quiet posture, expecting the issue of the Negotiation for a peace with *Portugal*, to which the Court of *Spain* seem much inclin'd, and had given full power to the Marquis de *Liche*, Son to the late *Dox Lewis de Haro*, with some other Ministers of State residing at *Lisbon*, to draw that business to a period.

*Deal*, Jan. 9. There are now riding in the Downs a Fleet of between 20 and 30 Merchants ships, with their Convoys, outwards bound, which in few days may begin their Voyage. The 7th instant came in here the *Algier* Merchants of 300 Tuns laden home with Currants from *Zant*.

*Harwich*, Jan. 9. The weather having hitherto continu'd stormy, the Fleet of Colliers are still confin'd to this Harbor. By the arrival of the *Flanders* Pacquet-boat on Tuesday last (being diverted from her usual Road by stress of weather) we are inform'd that the French were on Monday last before *Nieaport*, where great shooting had been heard from about that place, and that at the parting of the Boat, they were told that the French had seized upon some Passes, and were approach'd near the Town. We hear of several wrecks off *Tarmouth*, but as yet no particulars. The weather clearing, the Colliers are preparing to put out, and may depart with the first fair wind for the River.

#### Advertisement.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer doe hereby give notice, That there is yet unassign'd of Orders, Registered upon the Act for Eleven Moneths Taxe for the Earl of Angleley, Treasurer of His Majesties Navy, towards the payment of Officers and Seamen as followeth.

Upon the first 200000 l appointed by the Act for the said Officers and Seamen, there yet remains unassigned the summe of 91845 l. part whereof, will come in course to be paid upon that Act, after about 142000 l. of the last ten Months of the said Taxe, and the rest after about 220000 l.

Also upon the third 100000 l. for Officers and Seamen, there yet remains unassigned the summe of 52395 l. part whereof will come in course to be paid after about 410000 l. and the rest after about 441000 l.

Moreover, the summe of 80000 l. appointed also by the said Act for Officers and Seamen, is yet entire, and no part thereof Assigned, which will come in course to be paid next after 600000 l. upon that Act.

And there remains the further summe of 78500 l. upon Orders Registered for the said Earl of Angleley for Seamen wages, &c. which are yet unassigned, and will come in course to be paid upon that Act after about 898206 l.

The said Officers do hereby also give notice, that upon the Act for 1100000 l. they are in course come to the payment of the 675th. Order in number and Course Registered upon the same Act.