

the usual Ceremonies. The Emperor has named the Count de *Windsgratz* to assist on his part at the meeting of the Ministers of the Allies that's intended to be held here. The Queen of Spain is gone ashore to a private House hard by *Dort*, where her Majesty will continue till the arrival of the English Squadron.

*Paris, Decemb. 17.* The stop of Trade having already such apparent effects, that the People are hardly able to bear the heavy Impositions that lie upon them; This Court is obliged to have recourse to extraordinary Methods for the raising of Money; To which end two Edicts have been published here this week. The first Ordains, That from the day of the publication thereof, the *Louis d'Or*, and Spanish Pistols, (which now go for Eleven Livres) shall be current in this Kingdom for Eleven Livres and 12 Sols, the Crown Pieces of Gold for six Livres, and those of Silver for three Livres two Sols, and other smaller Pieces proportionably. By the other, the King, after declaring his Resolution of melting down part of his own Plate, and particularly those excellent Pieces of Silver-Work that were the Ornament of his Palaces, in order to be Coined into Money towards the defraying the publick Charge, Ordains, that the valuation of Money shall be raised one tenth part, to hinder (as is pretended) the Exportation thereof out of the Kingdom; And because it is not reasonable, that particular Persons should alone have the benefit of so great an Augmentation; there are to be Coined new Pieces of Gold and Silver, which shall be current after the last day of *April* next, the *Louis d'Or* at 12 Livres 10 Sols each, and other Pieces proportionably. Till that time Money is to pass according to the Rates mentioned in the former Edict. And all the Old Pieces of Gold or Silver are to be brought into the Mint, to be there new Stamped or Marked, for which there is to be allowed to the Owner after the Rate of 11 Livres and 12 Sols for a *Louis d'Or*, and the surplusage is to go to the King; who by this means gains 18 Sols upon every *Louis d'Or* of old Money, and 30 Sols upon every piece of new. There has been published another Edict, which Ordains, That the Goods and Estates of those of the Reformed Religion that have left this Kingdom, shall go to their next a-kin by Father or Mother; and that such Revenues as were designed for the maintenance of their Ministers and Poor, shall be given to Hospitals and Religious Houses; but that they may not alienate the same for the space of five years. And revokes all former Edicts and Grants contrary therunto. We have an account, that the Cardinal of *Furstenberg*, upon some Intimation that was given him, parted from *Rome* privately, and in the night, and that having passed by Sea from *Nizza*, he arrived at *Cannes* in *Provence*, and went from thence to *Lyon*; so that he is expected here in few days.

*Belfast, Novemb. 27.* We have lately had a Skirmish with those of *Charlemont*, fifty Dragoons of Colonel *Leggon's* Regiment having beaten the greatest part of that Garrison, killed six or seven upon the place, taken two Prisoners, and brought off in their retreat twenty Horses, and a good Booty of Cows, with the loss only of one Man, who was killed by a random Shot from the Town. The occasion of this Encounter was as follows, Colonel *Gambon* going to view the Place, had with him a small Party of Dragoons, who being discovered by the Enemies advanced Sentinels before they came within two miles of the Town, the Garrison took the alarm, and when our Men came to the Hill from whence they might view the place, they found all the Hedges and Bushes lined, whereupon the Dragoons alighted, and beat the Rebels from their Post. How many were killed or wounded, as they ran over the Bog, we know not, but the Dragoons had a fair Mark at 300 of them as they run to the Town.

*Lisburne, Decemb. 7.* On the 4th of the last Month, the Irish came about break of day to *Navy Bridge* before they were perceived; The two Sentinels that were placed there; after having twice discharged their Muskets, were killed upon the spot, and the Enemy got into the Town; but after an hours dispute, were beaten out again by a small Party of Col. *Drury's* Regiment. In this occasion we lost 2 Captains with 6 or 7 private Soldiers, and a Lieutenant and an English were wounded. About 10 of the clock the same day, the Irish returned and got over the Bridge a second time, but our Men received them so warmly, that they soon retired in great confusion, leaving 12 of their company slain upon the Bridge, with 2 or 3 Officers, whom they dragged away with them, and in this last

Action we had only two Men wounded. The Courage and Bravery of our Men is rendered extremely remarkable, by the vast inequality of these two Parties; the Enemy being 1700 strong, Horse, Foot, and Dragoons, and as we are informed by a prisoner, all chosen Men.

*Plymouth, Decemb. 10.* Yesterday came into this Port Their Majesties Ships the *Princess Anne*, the *Hanibal*, and the *George*, and immediately sailed again to join the Squadron under the Command of the Lord *Berkley*, which is cruising to the Westward.

*Portsmouth, Decemb. 12.* On the 10th Instant the *Guernsey*, with several homeward bound Merchant Ships, sailed from hence for the *Downes*. And yesterday sailed four Dutch Men of War to the Eastward. Vice-Admiral *Kilgrew* continues at *Spithead* with Their Majesties Ships under his Command, the Wind being Westerly.

*Deale, Decemb. 11.* Yesterday Admiral *Rissel* went out of the *Downes* in the *Fubs* Yacht, with Their Majesties Ships the *Newcastle*, the *Assistance*, the *Hamphire*, the *Guernsey*, the *Soldadoes*, and *Mary* Yacht, for the Coast of *Holland*. The *Duke*, the *Burwick*, the *Suffolke*, the *Mountague*, and the *Mary* remaining in the *Downes*.

#### Advertisements.

**I**n Exeter Exchange, at the West end, above Stairs, will be exposed to sale, by way of Auction, a Collection of Choice Paintings of several Eminent Masters. There will be likewise Japan-work, Marble Tables, large Looking-Glasses in Gilded Frames, with several fine Rarities, all exposed at the same time. They are to be seen two days before the sale begins, which will be on the 19th Instant exactly at 3 of the Clock in the afternoon, and so continue till the whole be sold off.

These are to give notice, That the Juice of Liquorish which safely cures all Colds and Defluxions upon the Breast, and all manner of Coughs, extraordinary well prepared, may be had at Mr. Bureau at the King-Sun near the Savoy, and at Mr. Goder, Sword-Cutter, at the Duke of Northumberlands-Head in the Pall-Mall. The Price is a Shilling an Ounce put under a Seal.

**R**UN from the Company of Lieutenant-Colonel John Britton in His Majesties First Regiment of Foot Guards; and under the Command of the Lord Viscount Sidney, one Thomas Ellyson, fair Haired, middle sized, about 20 years of age, he lived lately at *Marleborough* in *Wilts*, being Servant to a Joiner. Whoever apprehends him, and shall bring him to the Guard at *Whitehall*, or give notice of him that he may be secured, shall have 5 l. Reward, and Charges.

THE Creditors of Edward Backwell, late of London, Goldsmith, are desired to meet the Commissioners on Wednesday next the 18th Instant, at the Irish Chamber in *Guildhall*, London, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, to name Assignees, and prove their Debts.

THE Commissioners named in a Commission of Bankrupt against Edward Read, late of the City of Oxford, Mercer, do intend to meet the 2d day of January next at Two in the Afternoon, at the Irish Chamber in *Guildhall*, London, to make a Dividend of his Estate already discovered, and his Creditors are desired to come then prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution Money.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt hath been lately awarded against Tho. Halton, of the Parish of St. Buzolpa without *Bishopgate*, London, Brewer; these are to give notice to all Persons that are Debtors to his Estate, that they forbear payment of their Debts they owe unto the said Thomas Halton, or any others, unless by Order from the Commissioners authorized by vertue of such Commission of Bankrupt.

Thomas Benson, Hobby in the Lord Viscount Lisburn's Regiment of Foot in *Ireland*, deserted from the said Regiment at the Camp near *Dundalk* the 8th of November last, having a Blew Cloth Coat lined with narrow Gold Lace, and other things, he is a low well-set Man, fair faced, with dark brown Hair not much curled, and sometimes wears a Camlet Coat. Whoever apprehends him, and gives notice to Mr. James Moyer, Linen-Draper, at the *Golden Lyon* in *Cornhill*, shall have 5 l. Reward.

LOst on Tuesday last in the Afternoon, betwixt *Leicester-Fields* and *Old Southhampton-Buildings*, a Gold Watch Case Engraven. Whoever brings it to Mr. Sayer, a Stationer at *Gray's-Inn-Gate*, shall have a Guinea Reward.

LOst on Friday last, out of the new Court over-against *Lincolns-Inn* in *Chancery-Lane*, a little *Bolonia Dog*, Liver-colour'd and white, with long soft Hair, a large Bush Tail, his Nose turning up, with yellow spots above his Eyes, &c. Whoever gives notice of him to Mr. Chambers, a Goldsmith, over-against *St. Dunstons Church* in *Fleetstreet*, shall be very well Rewarded.