

mediately went to seek them, and found them upon their Guard drawn up under a wood stile, where they stoutly received his charge, that the Bossa was immediately killed upon the place, and with him one hundred and sixty Turks, the rest after a close pursuit having themselves by flight.

The Count de Montecuculi having been for some time much disabled from performing the duty of his Charge, by reason of an Apoplectic distemper which still continues on him, His Imperial Majesty is resolved to substitute another person to supply his room during his absence and distemper.

Some dayes since His Imperial Majesty was by Letters from the Queen Regent of Spain, solicited to lend his powerful assistance for the defence of the Netherlands; Her Majesty offering to remit for the present service the sum of Three hundred thousand Rixdollers, and in little time after Two hundred thousand more, to be expended upon the Levies of Horse and Foot, with a promise of 25000 Rixdollers a month towards their pay; but as yet nothing is resolved thereupon, our eyes being wholly fixed upon the Treaty at Aix-la-Chapelle, the issue whereof we expect with much impatience.

Brussels, April 27. On Tuesday last Sir William Temple went hence for Aix-la-Chapelle, under the Character of Plenipotentiary for His Majesty of Great Britain, to assist at the Treaty between the two Crowns of France and Spain; and the same day the Marquis de Castell Rodrigo went hence to Antwerp, since whose departure is here arrived the Prince de Ligne, waiting for the long expected News of the arrival of Don Juan. General Marcin is at Ostend upon the same errand, his Train and Baggage here, and may in few dayes follow him.

On Saturday last the Chancellor of Brabant at his departure from the Assembly of the States of the Province, found himself much indisposed, but his distemper has since so far increased upon him, that his Physicians despair of his recovery.

The Peace advancing between the two Crowns, the six thousand men which were according to a late Agreement with Holland, marched towards Antwerp, are again remanded.

Hague, April 27. The 25th instant arrived here a Post from Aix-la-Chapelle, with Letters to the States, informing them that the Plenipotentiaries had now began to enter upon the great work of the Treaty; and that it was believed some few dayes Conference would produce the desired effects, for the full composition of all Disputes.

Our forces still continue their motion towards the places designed for their Rendezvous, viz. Berg-op-zoom and Hardenburg, to which place the Prince of Orange is intended, taking his way by Amsterdam. The Lunenburg Forces 'tis believed may at last be permitted to take their way thow the Bishoprick of Munster, it being strongly reported that upon the sounding the Princes his Allies, they seemed not altogether unwilling to consent to it.

The Dutchels of East Friesland is lately arrived here with the young Prince her Son, and are lodged at the Heer Maes his House, the place designed for the Entertainment of the Ambassadors of Foreign Princes, and is for some dayes to be entertained there upon the expences of the States. Yesterday arrived also an Envoye from the Widow of Count Edsard Ferdinand of East Friesland, to desire the States to take upon them the Guardianship of the two young Princes.

From Lisbonne we are confirmed in the report of the Marriage of the Queen of Portugal with the Infante. Our Letters from thence advise us that our Resident in that Court was lately attempted by a Portugais his Neighbour, who fired a Gun into his Bed-Chamber charged with Nails; and being afterwards ent for by the Resident to expobulate the reason of that action, he came with a Sword drawn under his Coat, and some Blacks with him, intending to have again attempted upon the life of the Resident and his Son; but the Resident perceiving it, immediately disarmed him; who escaping thence, is since fled for Sanctuary into a Cloister of the Benedictines.

Bruges, April 29. A great Fleet lately appearing in the Road of Ostend, occasioned there a belief that Don Juan was there arrived; which was so confidently received, that all things were put into Order for his Reception, several Scaffolds erected, and the great Guns drawn to that side of the Town, to proclaim his welcome, but upon a second advice it proved to be only a Fleet of Hollanders in their return homewards.

Letters from Aix-la-Chapelle confirm us in the belief that the Treaty is like to take its desired effect for putting an end to all disputes between us and France; but as yet the French abate nothing of their preparations for war, and some few dayes since a party of theirs made an attempt upon some Castle near Mons in Hainow; but were forced to retreat with considerable loss; and 'tis said 200 wounded Ben-Coats were brought into Oudenard.

Three new German Regiments are within few dayes arrived at Douay, to serve the French.

The Baron Smithberg a German, Colonel of a Regiment of Foot in the Spanish Service, has lately quitted his Command and withdrawn himself.

The Marquis de Castell Rodrigo is now at Antwerp, and may in few dayes be expected here, having not any intentions of returning again to Brussels.

Paris, April 28. Our latest advice from Rochelle, tells us that a Squadron of 6 Men of War, under the Command of the Sieur Gabaret, with 10 Flutes intended for Portugal, to take aboard them the Forces formerly employed there against the Spaniards; went out of that Road the 13th instant, intending to joyn with the Duke de Beaufort, who with his Squadron continues still cruising off the Cape Finistere.

Besides the Fleet which His Majesty had designed to set out into the Ocean, His Majesty intends also to have a considerable Fleet of Men of War and Gallies at Sea in the Mediterranean; and has given order for the buying of 300 Turkish Slaves at Maltha, Legorn, and several other parts of Italy, to be employed at the Oar in his Gallies.

The 26th instant at Chasteau Thierry was married the Duke Maximilian of Favarina to Mademoiselle de Evillyton. The Marriage of the Duke de Verneuil with Mademoiselle de Sully, is also upon the point of being concluded.

From Nancy we are informed that the Duke of Lorraine went the 17th instant to Pont a Mousson, to take a View of those of his Forces, which are to be employed in the service of His Majesty.

The Duke de Roannes with a small body of an Army, was according to his Orders lately marching towards Aloft, with a designe to have fortified it, but finding that several of the Spanish forces were already drawn into it, he desisted from his intentions, that he might not seem in the least to violate the Truce which is to continue till the end of May.

From Franche Comte they write, that according to His Majesties last Orders they are busie in dismantling the several Garrisons there, and have given over the design of building a Citadel at Besançon.

The Archbishop of this place taking notice of several Pamphlets endeavouring to null the prohibitions made against the vending or reading any of the late Translates of the New Testament into French, printed at Mons, has now published a second prohibition, threatening Excommunication against such as shall presume to read them.

Lima, April 20. On Saturday last several ships of this place sailed hence for Morlaix, their lading, the most part consisting of Drapery. Yesterday morning passed by us a Fleet of ships to the Westwards, and many Guns were fired amongst them, but as yet we hear not from whence they were.

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WE are ordered to give notice, that by reason of the approaching heat of summer, His Majesty intends to continue touching for the Exil till Friday after the First of May inclusively, and no longer.