

and *Haynault*, designed for the drawing up of other Brigades, he being resolved to take a view of all the forces under his Command, and has this day published his Orders, that all Officers and Soldiers whatsoever repair to their Colours within 4 days upon pain of death.

The two Regiments of the Baron d'Herbuis and the Count de Greange, which were sent away from *Franche Comie*, have made some stay in the Countrey about *Luxembourg*, expecting the arrival of their Moneys for defraying the necessary expences of their march, which the Marquis intends to send away with all convenient speed.

The French as well as the Duke of *Aerschot* have sent some forces to Quarter in *Fountain l' Evefque*, where as yet they continue peaceable without the least disturbance offered on either side.

Care is now taking for the fortifying of *Dendermond* and making a new Trench for the commanding the waters at their pleasure, so as upon the approach of any *Aremie*, to be able to draw all the Countrey about it, and for the raising a new Bastion to defend the four Mills, which they suppose will render that place impregnable; this day the Summe of 74 thousand Florins is advanced for that service; they talk also of raising a new Fortification at *Ostend* on *Bruges* side.

The French are establishing their Finances in their new Conquests, intending to charge all sorts of Commodities imported or exported, and have already opened the Office, which 'tis believed will bring yearly into the Kings Coffers about 6 Millions of Flo lns.

Count *Marcin* is at present at *Middlebourg*, where he has prevailed with the States of *Zealand* for one of their Fregats, whereon he intends to embarke himself to meet *Don Juan* upon his way into *Flanders*.

The French a by late Order from His Most Christian Majesty strongly fortifying *Armentiers*, the Governour having a fresh Command to proceed in it with all imaginable diligence.

*Hague*, Aug. 7. The States before their last adjournment approved of the advice given them by the Council of State for the disbanding all the new forces raised since the year 1665, reserving only the Regiment of *Marshall Wurtz*, and that of the late deceased *Stein Calvers*, now commanded by Colonel *Van Zanzen*, with some few Companies which have been employed in the Fleets; and have also resolved, that all Companies of foot which are still kept under pay, shall be reduced to 60 men in each Company, and the Troops of horse to 50.

Captain *Vander Zaen* has received Orders with a Squadron of 9 Men of War to depart with the first fair wind for the *Streights*, for the securing of our Trade on those Seas.

The Heer *de Wit* is still to continue Pensionary, and for an acknowledgement of the good services he has done, his Salary is raised to 3000 Guilders per annum. The States having also ordered, that by way of present, he shall have the same allowance made good to him for 15 years past; which sum the Nobility are willing to raise to 60000 Guilders.

*Amsterdam*, Aug. 7. There are lately arrived at the *Vly* 8 Ships, and 20 others at the *Texel*, all of them from the *Sounds*, but as yet we have no news of our *Greenland* Fishermen; but only by a small Vessel of *Middlebourg* lately come in from *Hittland*, we are told that the Whale-fishing in those parts was much hindered by the great quantities of ice which had kept them off from those Coasts.

The first instant went off from the *Texel* 2 Ships bound for the Indies, and 2 for *St. Auder*. 'Tis said also that the Fleet designed for the *Streights*, *Portugal*, and *Spain*, is put to sea under the Convoij of Captain *Van der Zaen*.

*Paris*, August 8. The Duke de *Rauneez* is preparing for his voyage to *Candia*, and augmenting the number of the Officers which he intends to carry with him to four hundred, to each of whom he gives 4 months pay of ten Crowns for advance, out of a *Flotta* towed by His Majesty for their

pay, which is intended to be continued to them during this service, besides what shall be allowed from the Republick of *Venice*. They have order to be all of them ready at *Lions* the 24 instant where the Duke intends to meet them, to whom His Majesty is pleased to lend two of his men of War to transport them into *Candia*.

On Monday morning about 8 of the clock, Her Majesty was happily delivered of a Son, to the infinite satisfaction and joy of His Majesty and the whole Court.

About three days since, a Bachelor of Divinity in the *Sorbane*, doing his exercise there, in order to his degree of Doctor, maintained these following *Theses*. 1. That the Pope could not upon his own Authority judge and sentence the Bishops. 2. That the Bishops could have no other judges besides their Metropolitan, and 12 of their neighbouring Bishops, according to the Rule of the *Canons*, (which was the business disputed in the case of the four lately dissenting Bishops;) the Popes Nuncio being informed thereof, immediately wrote to the Syndic of the *Sorbane*, desiring him to hinder the presentation and reception of the new Doctor, as a person who had publicly maintained an opinion contrary to the Popes Authority; which the Syndic receiving, communicated the next day to an Assembly of 170 Doctors then Assembled in the *Sorbane*, who upon the reading of the Nuncio's Letter, disowned his jurisdiction, and proceeded to the admission of the new Doctor.

From *Switzerland* we are informed, that the Assembly or Diet of the Cantons is adjourned till November next ensuing, at which time they intend to conferre with the *Grisons* and *Valeitins* with other their Allies, and then to come to a final resolution in reference to their affairs with *France*; and that they intend to send an Ambassador to His Most Christian Majesty, to demand that the last Treaty made with them, may be put into execution, and the Alliance renewed, which if denied, they resolve to remain all the Swisses employed in His Majesties service.

*Dublin*, July 19. On Tuesday next, the body of the Right Honourable the Countess of *Arran*, who died lately in this City, is to be solemnly laid in State, and after a months continuance here, will be with much solemnity conveyed hence to *Kilkenny*, with all expressions of Honour suitable to a Person of her Birth, Eminency and Merit.

*Bristol*, July 29. This day was lanch'd here with much solemnity, the new ship, called the *Edgar*, in presence of the Magistrates of this City and great numbers of the Gentry; she is an excellent built ship, of about 1100 Tons, and is like to prove very serviceable, and in six weeks may be fitted up for the sea.

Here are lately arrived in this Port, several ships from the *Streights*, *Spain*, *France*, with some from *Parbades* and *Virginia*; by some of those from the *Streights* we have it confirmed, that the designe of the French for establishing Trade at *Madagascar* is wholly ruin'd, great numbers of them having been killed by the Inhabitants, and the small remainder escaping to the *Cape of Good-hope*, are there waiting an opportunity of returning home.

*Portsmouth*, July 30. Yesterday the *Manmouth*, *Mary* and *Princess* departed from this Harbor, and came so an anchor with the rest of the Squadron at *Spithead*, where the *Princess* took aboard her the Baggage belonging to the Portugall Ambassador returning from *Holland*, which she received from a Dutch man of War.

#### Advertisement.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer, have paid the 88th Order, Registered on the Act for 1250 00l. and cannot yet proceed further.

They are also come to the payment of the 40th Order in number and course, Registered on the Act for the Eleventh months Taxe. The persons that are concerned in the preceding Orders on that Act, that are yet unpaid, may receive their Money upon producing their Orders.