

*Britain* is very great in these parts, increased by the arrival of His Fleet in the *Streights*. No Dutch ship from *Holland* having appeared upon these coasts these nine months.

*Legorn, Feb. 8.* There are arrived in these parts Ten Sails of English in company, Six for this Port, one for *Genova*, one for *Civita Vecchia*, one for *Naples*, and one for *Venice*, laden with Herrings, Pilchards, and Lead, for English Accounts. They came along the *Barbary* Coasts, and saw no Sail: By fowl weather off of *Cape Tunk*, they lost their company, who do not yet appear.

*Amsterdam, Feb. 9.* Here is news from *Roche*, that there arrived the new *Orange*, Capt. *Cornelius Fanson*, Master, who met with some English *Barbado's* ships, whereof he took one, quanting her with eight or nine men, six of the English remaining in her; but as soon as she was separated by storm, the six English surprised the Dutch, mastered the ship, and came into *Ireland*. Soon after, the same *Cornelius Fanson* boarded another, and put into her the like company of eight or nine men; but coming off from the rest, the English fell upon the Netherlanders, and killed them; but she was afterwards retaken by the same Captain, and brought into *Rechel*, with two other prizes.

*Hague, Feb. 21.* Friday last, all Military Officers of what condition soever, that were here in Town, were by order of the States, commanded to depart within the space of 24 hours to their respective Garisons.

*Ditto, Feb. 23.* At the last, upon more sensible Complaints from the States of *East Friesland*, of the great Spoils and wastes committed by the *Lunenburg* forces, with a demand, That as by order of the States they had been brought thither, so they would take order to see the Country cleared of them. It is ordered here, that Deputies be sent thither from the Provinces of *Holland*, *Frize*, and *Groninghen*.

Prince *Maurice* being ordered forthwith to repair to his Garison, hath desired to have some further character given him, then that only of Governor of *Wessel*; and that he may have power to dispose of vacant charges in the Campagne, to punish and pardon offences in the Army. And that, as they have now lately by an Express returned thanks to the Prince of *Tarante*, they would not let him go less, but send him a more formal thanks, then yet he hath received for his last years service.

We cannot yet agree upon the point of the Generalat, the soberer part here think it great justice, and no less prudence, to place it upon the Prince of *Orange*; the rest, that are byassed with other Foreign interests, consent to have the Prince made General of the Cavalry, with condition, that the Marshal *de Turene* shall command in chief this year; whose great experience they pretend may be very useful for entring that Prince into the Profession of Arms. And for Prince *Maurice*, they would allow him the place of the Marshal *de Camp*, and the employment of an Ambassador to *Vicenna*.

It seems, the ill carriage of the French at *Emerick*, has occasioned some bittle between theirs and ours in the Garison, which coming to blows, several of the French were wounded, and some remained dead upon the place; of which complaint hath been made here by *D' Estrades*, but the satisfaction he receives is, onely to hear the complaints we oppose on our side, with which every day furnishes fresh, in great numbers.

A Pass is agreed to be given to *Dom C. Smisingk*, to pass from *Munster* to *Cleve*, so soon as our Treaty with the Elector is signed, which Monsieur *Bevering* in his last report tells us is finished. The termes are not yet made publique: The substance on his part is a succor of a certaine number of men; what is stipulated on ours, is not certainly known, only it is said the Elector will command his own Forces in person, and they shall only be under Oath to him.

They of *Zealand* have called for an increase of their guards, being in apprehension of the English who remaine Masters at Sea, and may possibly attempt something on them, now their Squadron is forced in.

The States of *East Friesland* with the City of *Emblen*, in particular continue to exclaime against the oppression exercised on them by this State, in forcing the quartering of the

*Lunenburg* forces, against the Express Treaty they had heretofore with the Count of *East-Friesland*, to whom it seems they gave 300000 Franks to redeem them for ever from all quarterings and levies of men, of which the States General took upon themselves the Warranty, which yet this very State hath first violated in introducing against their wills the *Lunenburg* forces, who begin to live more irregularly then ever *Mansfields* did heretofore. That the Bishop of *Munster* having granted them at first a Neutrality, and promised to secure it to them, they saw no need of any guard, and this was pretended to be for their safety, and that now these Troops will inevitably involve them in the War with the Bishop.

The Deputation to *East Friesland* is not yet nominated, in the mean time comes advice that they of *Emdden* have dislodged the *Lunenburgers* out of the house *Oldertam*.

Three of the French Companies at *Bomwell* having had orders from hence to march towards *Bergen-ap-zoom*, plainly refused to stir without order from Monsieur *Pradelle*, at which the States are much scandalized, and have written about it to *Pradelle*, who is detained yet at *Wesell*, to remedy the continual disorders that happen by the insolent carriage of the French in their quarters.

Upon the alarme of the English Fleet being out at Sea, and that ours had left them perfect Masters of it, *Holland* hath moved that *Hetvoetsluys* be reinforced, to which end 300 Seamen shall be sent thither.

*Bevering* tells us the Treaty at *Cleve* would be signed the 18. and that he intended to be back at the *Hague* the 20. In the meane time several Townes in *Holland* have declared for the Prince of *Orange*, in the matters of the Generalat: Of which a few dayes will give some farther effect.

*Cadix, Feb. 6.* Here have passed by this Bay to *Tangier*, 10 English Men of War, commanded by Sir *Jer. Smith*, with 17 Merchant-men and Victuallers. To *Cadix* came onely one Fregat and a Ketch, to Land *D. Patricio*, the Spanish Agent in the Court of *England*, Four Fregats that parted with them at Sea, are hourly expected at *Tangier* to joyn with the rest. Off of *Faro* they took a Hollander, and betwixt *Cadix* and *Sanlucar*, a Frenchman. The last thought to be considerably rich. Admiral *Smith* intends suddenly up as far as *Alicante* in pursuit of the *Holland Men of War*; and all the Dutch Fregats that were at *Cadix*, are run away for fear of ours eight days since.

*Southwold, Febr. 20.* An English Herring-Fishing-Boat that the Hollanders had formerly taken, is made a Caper, and passed this day along the shore within Musket-shot of this Town, and had like to have surprised a Vessel coming from *London*; but being discovered, the Town, by firing a Gun or two at her, caused the Caper to stand off to Sea, and preserved the *London* Vessel.

*Dover, Febr. 19.* This night came in the *Mermaid*, who is said to have chased ashore a French Sloop, and an Hollander close under *Callis*.

*Westminster, Feb. 20.* This day the Parliament according to the last Prorogation met here, and were by vertue of His Majesties Commission, directed for that purpose, to his Grace the Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*, and other of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, prorogued to the 23 of *April* next.

*Downes, Feb. 20.* Yesterday the *Garland*, and *Mermaid* arrived here, they were 4 daies since sent to ply about the Coast of *Flanders*, they met with no ships that own themselves to be Dutch, but all sculk about under the Names of *Swedes*, *Lubeckers*, and *Hamburgers*, &c. They spoke with the Packet boat from *Ostend*, which informed them, That the ships that were chaced into *Flushing* twelve dayes ago, have received so great a fear, that most of the Men have forsaken them, and endeavor to get employment with other Nations, several being at that time in *Ostend*.

*Deal, Feb. 20.* This afternoon, about one a clock, Sir *Christopher Minns* with a Squadron of stout Fregats, sailed out of the *Downs*, towards the Coast of *Flanders*, where we are told he is like to find Four Hollanders in *Ostend* Road.

This Weeks Bill, runs thus. Buried in all 252. of the *Plague 69*. Increased in the Burials this week 3.