

From *Lille* we are told, that the Governour has ordered the Suburbs to be pulled down, though but lately repaired by the Citizens; and has given the same Order for all Houses which are any thing considerable, within an hours riding from that place. The French Commissioners continue high in their Pretensions, and have lately offered at a new Project for exchange of places; but this found no entertainment, our Commissioners having no instructions but only to treat about limits.

'Tis said the French are busily providing for action, and have bought 6000 Musquetoons at *Liege*, to be distributed amongst their new Horse. At *Tournay* they are busie in advancing their new *Citadelle*, and have pulled down about 300 Houses, to make a place of Armes; and have drawn about 12000 men between that and *Lille*, for the security of both places.

Paris, Dec. 28. On Tuesday last His Majesty went to *Versailles*, having before his departure conferred the Office of Post-Master-General upon the Marquis de *Louvois*, with an allowance of 36 thousand Livres yearly; and besides his bounty to other persons, was pleased to bestow upon the Count de *Comminges* a Present of 20 thousand Crowns, in consideration of the great services done by him upon several occasions.

A Courrier from *Spain* passing by this place for *Flanders*, has brought to Don *Quinones* a Jewel of considerable value, intended by the Queen Regent as a Present to the Duke of *Anjou*, at whose Baptisme she has deputed to assist in her place as Godmother, Little Madam; and 'tis believed the Emperour will follow the same Method for the supply of his place at the same Ceremony, without employing hither his Ambassadour.

Prince *George* of *Danmark* is returned hither from *Blois*, and lodged at the House of Monsieur *Gabel*, intending to pass the Winter here incognito.

Monsieur de *Patouillet* an Abbot of *Franche Comte*, employed hither about the affairs of *Besangon* and the whole Province, during the Treaty at *Aix la Chappelle*; being lately returned hither from *Flanders*, is secured and committed to the *Bastille*, but the reason of it not publicly said.

The Chevalier de *Roban*, Son to the Prince de *Guimene* is upon the account of some over-free discourses of his at the Palace Royal, ordered by His Majesty to retire from the Court, and to continue at *Rochefort* till his pleasure be farther known.

Letters of the 7th instant from *Venice*, inform us, that the French Volunteers made a stout Sally the 19th past out of the Fort *Sabionera*, and beat the Turks above 50 paces from their Posts, by which means the besieged have liberty on that side to repair their Out-works.

The King having lately called a Council of Trade at the *Louvre*, it was there resolved that 10 Ships should be fitted up with all possible diligence, six of them to be sent to *Bengala*, and the other four to carry forces to *St. Dominico*, to augment the French Colony there.

Paris, January 2. Monsieur *Courtin* lately arrived here by post from *Lille* to receive His Majesties last resolution upon the account of the Negotiation there, is again returned with equal speed, 'tis not believed that the Commissioners are like to come to any agreement about the dependencies in dispute: the French Commissioners having protested His Majesties Right, and the refusal made by the others, to treat of any thing but about the limits.

From *Heidelberg* they write, that the Emperour has sent his Orders to the Prince Elector Palatine and Duke of *Lorraine* to disarm within eight days after the receipt thereof, under pain of being declared against by the whole Empire; and the Circle of the *Rhine* is ordered upon their refusal, to arm against them.

His most Christian Majesty has sent also to the Duke of *Lorraine* to lay down his arms, lest he be otherwise obliged to reduce his forces to the number limited by the Treaty of the *Pyanens*.

From *Perpignan* we are told, that the Duke d' *Ossona* is preparing for his return to *Madrid*, and 'tis said, the Mar-

quis d' *Aytona* has a Commission from the Queen Regent to succeed him in the Government of *Catalonia*.

Hague, Dec. 30. The Governour of *Hulst* having informed the States; that on the 9th and 10th instant, the Minister of *Kieldrecht* near that Garrison, had been forbidden by a Spanish Officer to preach any more in that Temple, pretending it was built upon the Spanish Territories, and threatening him with force if he persisted, but refusing to shew any Commission for his acting, the States have ordered the Governour to take care of that place, and to defend the Minister and People, in case any thing should be attempted on them.

The conference between the States General and those of *Holland*, and the Council of State, about the disbanding of the 27 Companies, is but little advanced by reason of the absence of the Pensionary de *Raedt*, who is at present at *Amsterdam*; but in the mean time for the prevention of farther disputes of the like nature, the Council of State have sent out their Letters to several Governours of the Frontier Towns advising them for the future, to be cautious in giving obedience to the Orders which shall be sent from any particular Province.

From the *Vly* we are advised of the arrival of two ships from *America*, viz. the *St. James* and the *Peace*; as also of the *St. Peter* and *St. Baldus* in *Zealand* from *Lilbao*, and of several ships from *Malaga* at the *Texel*; but 'tis much feared lest the *Golden Mountain* a considerable ship, be miscarried, the company having not any news of her.

The States continue their resolutions to put to sea a considerable Fleet this next Spring, and in order thereunto the several Admiralties have order to send their Deputies to the *Hague* by the 12th of *February*, to consult about their number and equipage; one Squadron is believed may be designed for the *Streights*.

Plymouth, Dec. 22. Yesterday was forced in lither by strels of weather the *Morning Star* of *London* bound for the *East Indies*, having by the violence of the winds spent both her main and foremast, with which she intends in little time to be supplied in this place.

Advertisements.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer having formerly given notice, that they are come to the payment of the 112th Order in number and course registered on the Act for 1250000*l.* do desire all persons that are concerned that have Orders preceding that Number, that are yet unpaid, to bring their Orders to the Exchequer, that they may receive their Money.

Also the said Officers do hereby give notice, that they are come to the payment of the 200 Order in number and course on the Act for the Eleven Months Taxe: and so shall proceed to the payment of the ensuing Orders, as the Money shall be brought in.

These are to give notice unto all Persons selling Wine by Retail in the Counties of *Cornwall*, *Devonshire*, *City of Exon*, and in all Towns, Parts, and Places therein, That His Royal Highnesses Commissioners for granting Wine-Licences, for the ease and convenience of the said Retailers of Wine, have deputed, appointed, and continued Mr. *John Hutchenfon* to be their Agent in the said Counties, Parts, and Places; and all the aforesaid Persons are hereby directed to repair unto him at his House near *Exon*, or at such place or places, and at such time or times, as he shall appoint; and then and there to contract and agree with him for Licence and Dispensation to sell and utter Wine by Retail, and to pay all Money due for the same unto him.

These are to give notice, that *Egberus Willis* skilful in the Cure of Defective Bodies, hath quitted his Lodgings in *Alderigate-Street*, and is removed to the Sign of the Prince of *Orange* in *St. Alban's Buildings* in *Charles Street*.