

Brussels, Feb. 22. The French under the command of the *Marquis de Crequy* having upon pretence of some dissatisfaction leited on *Kont-a-Mouffors, Nomeny,* and *Logny*, have upon the addresses of the Duke of Lorraine, restored *Almany*, as 'tis believed they will a lo the other places.

A considerable part of the forces lately disbanded from the service of the Duke of Lorraine, entred into *Burgundy*, but without any invitations; nor are they entertained in any service. The Prince de *Aremberg* having received several complaints of divers insolencies and exactions used by them in the Country, has ordered his Officers to attend them, and if occasion require, to force them out of the Province.

Monsieur de *Louigny* having taken care for the entertainment of 8000 Foot, and 1000 Horse of the forces dismissed from the Service of the Duke of Lorraine is upon his return, and may be suddenly expected here. Seven hundred Horse which came lately into *Luxembourg* are ordered to be quartered in the Province of *Frabant*.

The States of the *United Provinces* have by a late Letter to the Constable of *Castille* desired to entertain 350 Officers which can be best spared out of these Provinces, on whom they promise to confer employments equal to what they enjoyed here.

The Bishop of *Munster* is said to have lately received a Million of French Money, and has privately revied about 4000 men, and endeavours to draw several eminent Officers into his service.

Upon intelligence brought hither, that a considerable party of the French were drawing together in the Country near *Yglantiennes*, the General de *Bataille, Carolo Campi*, was sent away with a party of Horse and Foot to secure our concerns in that parts.

Letters even now arrived from *Madrid* bearing date the 6th instanc inform us, that *Don Juan* was on his way from *Parcellons*, intending either to *Consuegra* or *Guadaluara*, but has not yet permission to come neerer to *Madrid*, but that all differences seem to be fully composed.

The 20th instanc arrived here the Baron d' *Isola*, and yesterday day a conference with the Constable of *Castille*. This evening is expected Monsieur de *Pompono*, Ambassador from His most Christian Majesty to the States of the *United Provinces*, who have sent a Yacht to attend him at *Antwerp* for his transportation; & with him is also expected *Don Hieronimo Quinones*, who has been some time in the French Court under the Character of Envoy extraordinary from the Court of *Spain*.

The Constable continues his care for the government and assistance of the Provinces, and for the establishment of the Militia in such a posture as may be least burdencome to the people, and has ordered strong Garrisons to be drawn into all those places which lie most exposed to dangers and attempt.

Hague, Feb. 12. We have daily fresh Reports of the private Levies made by the Bishop of *Munster*, but nothing of his intentions and design for their employment. Upon consideration of a Letter sent from the Governour of *Coeverden*, and the Remonstrance of those of *Groeningue* who have fancied some grounds of jealousy from those Military preparations of the said Bishop, all Officers are ordered to repair to their respective posts upon the Frontiers, and to be careful for the security of their charges. The States have farther resolved, and ordered their forces to be recruited with an addition of 25 men to each Company.

The Council of State having taken notice of the great decay of the fortifications of several of our Garrisons, by reason of the arrears of money due from divers of the Provinces, and charged on themselves that employment, have resolved that the defective Provinces to furnish and pay in their Quota's, that this necessary work may not be any longer retarded.

From *Zeland* we are told, that the inhabitants of *Zierikzee* having found that the States of that Province in resentment of their late proceedings, in opposing the decrees of their Assembly, had sent some Companies to block them up, and by that means to reduce them to reason, have upon

second thoughts consented to submit their differences to a friendly debate; whereupon the States remanding their Soldiers, the Town immediately dispatch their Deputies to *Middlebourg*, where 'tis believed, an agreement will be made to satisfaction.

The Admiralties are all here assembled, where they are consulting about the charge and expences of the Fleet, and are considering the best way and method of managing them to the best advantage, and are particularly taking an account of all payments which are made for the maintenance of the Navy.

The Earl of *Carlisle*, Ambassador from His Majesty of *Great Britain* to the Crown of *Sweden*, having passed some few days here, departed this morning for *Amsterdam*, where he may continue till Monday next.

The States being still earnest for the delivery into their hands of the person lately seized in the Spanish Quarters as one of the accomplices in the scandalous Riot formerly committed upon the Congregation at *Oudeman*, the Spanish Ambassador has lately given in a Memorial, offering some reasons why it may not be judged fit to deliver him up to receive his punishment from them.

Bruges, Feb. 23. The French are busily employed at *Dunkirk* in enlarging and raising new fortifications about that place, upon which they have many hundred men busily employ'd, and have lately bought several Billanders both here and at *Ostend*, which they make use of for the conveyance of their stores from *Calice* to *Dunkirk*.

Some Holland ships having been laden for this place and stoppe'd at *Ostend*, upon pretence of a priviledge that no strangers ships shall be permitted to pass *Ostend* without unlading and paying their Customs there, and the goods so unladen to be sent in other vessels for this place; a dispute is hereupon risen between both places, which having been communicated to the Constable of *Castille*, he has been pleased to Order that the ships be at present permitted to pass, without prejudice to the pretensions or right of priviledge of those of *Ostend*, and will take the business in dispute into his farther consideration, to the end it may receive a speedy and equitable determination.

Paris, Feb. 27. His Majesty has ordered 300 light horsemen of his Army to be joyned with the other succors designed by him for the relief of *Candia*, who are to embark with their horses to form a Squadron to be commanded by the Marquis de *Francieres*, an ancient Colonel. His Majesty has farther ordered 200 reformed Foot-Officers to embark for this service in the room of a many of his Guards of the body who are countermanded.

The Sieur de *Beet*, an ancient Mareschal de *Camp* is to be sent in the same quality for *Candia* with the Sieur *Cybert*, Captain Lieutenant of His Majesties Musqueteers, who has made also a Mareschal de *Camp*, and both of them to leave under the command of the Duke de *Navaille*. The Mareschal de *Crequy* is in this expedition to command the Gallies, of which he is the General.

By a ship lately arrived from *America* we are told, that a French man of War having in those seas met with a Spanish ship richly laden to the value of three hundred thousand Crowns, after a long and sharp fight, wherein the French Commander the Sieur du *Plessis* with many of his men was killed, the Spanish ship was forced to yield, and has been by the French Governour of our Plantations there adjudged good Prize, having been taken beyond the Line.

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The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer having paid the 128th Order in number Registered on the 27th for 1250000 l. shall proceed to the payment of the subsequent Orders in number and course, as the Money of that Taxe and the remain of the Taxe of the first month of the eleven months Tax shall be brought in.

The said Officers are also come to the payment of the 228th Order in number on the 27th for the Eleven months Tax, and shall go on with the payment of the ensuing Orders to that number as the money of that Taxe shall come in.