

Several Preliminary Articles relating to that Negotiation have been adjusted. The Bishop of Würzburg died on the 14th Instant at Würzburg, and 'tis said, the Elector of Mentz stands forth to be chosen by that Chapter to succeed him. The Garrison of Rhinfelds has been lately changed, the Troops of the Electors of Mentz and Triers, which were in that Place, being marched out, and some of the Emperor's Forces being come in their room. They write from Ratisbonne, that the Diet assembled there have at present under Consideration a Demand made by Prince Lewis of Baden, That the Fort of Keil be given up to him, as being situated within his Territories.

Hamburg, Dec. 20. N.S. We are now expecting to hear what Resolutions the Emperor and the Prince Directors of the Circle of Lower Saxony have taken, upon the Refusal of the Burghers of this City to submit to the Imperial Commission, for enquiring into the late Disorders and Disputes they have had with their Magistrates; In the mean time, the number of those who think this Commission very prejudicial to their Rights and Privileges, continues much the greater, there being at the last Meeting of the 7 Caspels or Parishes, into which this City is divided, but one that were of opinion that the same ought to be complied with. The Duke of Holstein Gottorp, the Duke of Mecklenbourg, and Prince Christian of Mecklenbourg, are come to this Place, intending to pass a few days here. The Conferences for settling the Succession of the Duchy of Gustraw, are continued. They write from Dantzick, that some Regiments of the Forces of Poland are come into the Neighbourhood of that Place; And we have Advice from Berlin, that a Body of the Troops of Brandenburg are ordered to march towards that Frontier; but it's hoped, that through the Emperor's Mediation, which is accepted by both Parties, the Affair of Elbing will be amicably adjusted. Our Letters from Lithuania say, the Senators of that Duchy, who are assembled at Grodno to endeavour a Reconciliation of the Houses of Sapieha and Oginsky, have made a good Progress therein, and hope to conclude the same before the meeting of the Great Council, which is appointed to be held at Brezza towards the middle of this month.

Plimouth, Dec. 27. Yesterday came in here His Majesty's Ship the Chatham from Jamaica; And the same day sailed the Hopewell of London, bound home with Wine from St. Sebastian.

Kensington, Dec. 31. The King returned this Evening from Windsor.

There are Three Mails due from Holland, and as many from France.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury do hereby give notice, That the Fourth Payment of the Two Millions subscribed, pursuant to the late Act of Parliament, will become Due and Payable on the 10th, 11th, and 12th of this instant January: And that Attendance will be given at Skinners-hall by the Receivers, appointed under the Great Seal of England to receive the same, on or before the said Days of Payment. And that, by the said Act, the first Payment is to be forfeited to His Majesty, in case any Default shall be made in any of the subsequent Payments.

These are to give Notice, That for the Convenience of Receiving the Fourth Payment of the Two Millions to the King, no Transfers of Stock will be made at Skinners-hall from the 5th to the 18th of January next inclusive.

The Court of Directors of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, do give Notice to all Persons possessed of Bank-Notes at 6 per Cent. Interest dated in the Month of June, 1697. That they bring in such Notes, and receive their Money on or before the 15th day of February next, or else exchange them for Bank sealed Bills at 2 Pence a Day Interest, payable at demand: For that after the said 15th day of February next, Interest is to cease on the said Bank-Notes.

Advertisements.

His Majesty has been graciously pleased (by Letters Patents under the Great Seal of England) to grant to Francis Merick Esq; Liberty to hold a Market for Horks, and all other live Cattel, on every Wednesday for ever, on his Land lying in Southall, in Hayes Parish in Middlesex; and likewise to hold for the same purpose two Fairs yearly for ever, one on the Wednesday in Easter Week, and the other on the 2d Wednesday in October.

On Wednesday next, will be performed at York-Buildings Mr. Daniel Parcell's Musick made for last St. Cecilia's Feast, for the Benefit of Mr. Howell and Mr. Shore; with an Addition of new Vocal and Instrumental Musick; beginning at 7 at night.

Lost last Saturday night, between Aldgate and the New Exchange, a white Vellum Note-Book, tied about with a green String, wherein were two excellent Writings, a small Paper-Book, and some loose Notes. Whoever brings it to Mr. Stanley just without Bishopgate, or to Farr's Coffee-house over-against the Fountain Tavern in the Strand, shall have 10 s.

The Engine for Grinding, Polishing, and cutting Looking-Glass Plates, (for which a Patent is granted by His Majesty) by which Glass is truly Ground and Polished with the best black Polish; and also the Borders cut most curiously hollow, and with a better Lustre than any heretofore done. The Warehouse is kept at Mr. Richard Robinson's at the Flowerpot in Beauford-street in the Strand, London, where Attendance is given daily from 8 till 12 at Noon, where all sorts of the said Looking-Glass and Coach-Glass Plates are to be had at reasonable Rates. There also are sold, the New-invented Frames for Coach-Glass Plates, or for Windows, of 3 quarters of an Inch broad, made of Metal of a Gold-colour.

The Royal Lustring-Company will expose to sale by the Candle, a Parcel of Narrow and Broad Alamodes, on Tuesday the 10th Instant, at 10 in the morning, at their House in Austin-Friers, where printed Books will be delivered, and the Goods to be seen the Friday, Saturday, and Monday before the Sale.

A Freehold Estate of Lands and new Buildings at Kensington and Knightsbridge, is to be sold, in whole or in part, by the Trustees following; (Viz.) Samuel Harwar, Nath. Camfield, and Peter Morefoxe; who may be daily spoken with between 2 and 3 in the Afternoon, at Amsterdam Coffee-house by the Royal-Exchange, London.

A Commission of Bankrupt being awarded against Andrew Leake, late of London, Vintner; all Persons that owe him any Moneys, or have any of his Effects in their hands, are to pay or deliver the same to any Person, but to such only as shall be authorized by the Commissioners.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt against John Elwes, late of St. James's, Westminster, Linendraper, intend to meet on Tuesday the 17th Instant, at three in the Afternoon, at the Irish-Chamber in Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; and all Creditors concerned are then to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution-money, otherwise they will be excluded the said Dividend.

Stolen or strayed out of Jasper Crook's Grounds at St. Margaret's, between Hodson and Stanfield, a dapple-gray Nag above 13 hands, all his Paces, half shorn down the Mane, Hunters cut, round Barrel, aged 7. Whoever secures him, and gives notice to Richard Mead at Mr. Crook's at St. Margaret's, or to Mr. Watson at the Phoenix-Brewhouse in the Minories, London, shall have 2 Guineas Reward, and reasonable Charges.

Stolen or strayed the 2d past out of the Town's-end Close at Wotton-Waven in Warwickshire, a strong iron-gray Gelding above 14 hands, full aged; his Mane scratched off, and no part much above 3 inches long, and thin, carries his Head something boring, his Hoofs pert white, a cut Tail, and all his Paces. Whoever secures him, and gives notice to Mr. Sanders at Wotton afore-said, or to Mr. James Duxbury at the Bell-Inn in Dirty-lane in Long-acre, London, shall have 2 Guineas Reward, and reasonable Charges.