

The Prince Palatin *Jean Adolphe de Deux ponts*, Brother to the late King of *Swedenland* having some pretensions upon the Count *de Leiningen* one of the four Presidents of the Imperial Chamber, waging the ordinary ways of Justice, assaulted lately the said Count in his Castle of *Oberbroa* with a party of 5 or 600 Horse and Dragoons, but the Count making a stout resistance kill'd about 20 of his men, whereupon he commanded to set fire to the Castle at the four corners; the Count made his escape out of the house, leaving all his rich Furniture, Plate and other Goods to the rage of the Soldiers, who there committed many disorders.

From *Ratisbonne* they tell us, that the Diet is there prolonged for three moneths, and that they are falling upon the consideration of matters of great importance.

*Paris, April 6.* From *Marseilles* we have confirmed to us the report from the Coasts of *Barbary* of the inhumane dealing of these *Tuiks* with our Consul *George Durant*, whom after several torments they burnt alive, with another Merchant his correspondent, upon pretence of a plot against the Government, seizing upon all our ships with their lading which could be found in their Port, with such other Goods and Merchandises as were laden upon other ships on any French account, with all the Magazines and Stores of our Merchants, for which 'tis believed they may in little time be desired to give satisfaction.

His Majesty has ordered all the Officers of his Forces designed for the succour of *Candia* immediately to depart hence for *Thoulon* in order to their imbarcation, whither the Duke *de Navailles* also the General may in few days set forwards.

From *Rochello* we are advised that the Count *de Grance* some days since put to sea with three men of War, and since the *Sieur Gabaret* with the like number, both of them designed for the voyage to the *Levants*, though ordered to put in by the way at *Portugal*, whether a person is employed from this Count to compliment the Prince Regent with his Princess upon the late birth of a Daughter. From *Brest* they tell us of the arrival there the 23<sup>rd</sup> past of the *Sieur du Quesne*, Lieutenant General of the sea-forces, who is to take possession of the Prince a man of War of 70 Guns, and to command a small Squadron for the guard of the sea-Coasts, to which are to be added two other ships which are now forwardly upon the stocks, to carry 50 Guns apiece, besides which are building there some other ships of considerable bulk and strength, whereof one to be of the same size with the *Royal Louis*, near finished at *Thoulon*, and to carry 120 Guns; they are there busily employed about their Key, whereon are to stand about 30 Magazines for the storing, Furniture, and Building of ships.

The Count *de Schomberg* has lately published at *Charenton* his Marriage with *Maismoiselle d' Amale* of the House *d' Aucoir*, to whom His Majesty has been pleased in favour to the Count, as a Grand of *Portugal*, to give her the Priviledge of a Stool before the Queen, and to enter the *Louvre* in her Coach as a Dutchess; but will not have it pass into an Example. The Count with his Lady will by His Majesties direction pass suddenly into *Portugal*; to whose care will be committed the Concernments of the French Interest in that Kingdom.

The 2d instant the Marquis *de Guesres* Captain of His Majesties Guards, was received as Duke and Peer in Parliament, upon the resignation of the Duke *de Tresne* his Father.

On Sunday last departed hence the Count *d' Harach*, well satisfied with his reception, having been presented the day before his departure with His Majesties Picture set with Diamonds, to the value of 15000 Livres.

His Majesty is resolved to take away the Priviledge of Nobles from all his Courts Sovereign, particularly from his Parliaments, Chambers *des Comptes*, and Courts of Aids and Moneys, unless the persons pretending to it, can make out their possession of such Charges for three descents in a right line.

Letters of the 20th past from *Madrid*, inform us, that the Cardinal *d' Arragon* after some dayes private Conference with Don *Juan* at *Guadalaxara*, was returned with a Letter from Don *Juan* to the Queen Regent, in submissive and respectful language, but in the end pressing her for the banishment of the President of *Castille* as a Creature of Father *Nichard's*; but whereas the Marquis *d' Ayuna* had also shown his inclinations to the interests of the said Confessor, he had so great an esteem for his person, that he should willingly forget what had been said, and desire his fair correspondence and friendship; to which purpose he had particularly addressed another Letter to the Marquis himself.

From *St. Sebastian* Letters of the 23th past tell us, that the Confessor was then there, expecting the arrival of several Coaches sent from *Burdeaux* to attend him; several Coaches are also hired and sent away from hence to conduct him thither on his way for *Vienna*.

From the Netherlands we are told, that 20 soldiers of the Garrison of *Armentiers* belonging to several Companies, having deserted their Colours, went together to *Dixmuid*, where offering their service, they were readily entertained by a Spanish Captain, and were marching thence with their Captain for some other Spanish Garrison; of which timely notice being given, 12 of their Officers from *Armentiers* went out, attended them on their march, charging them with such vigor, that they were presently forced to render themselves to their Officers: who carried them back with them, leaving the Spanish Captain, who made the greatest resistance, dead upon the place.

Several hundred Macons and other Labourers are lately sent to *Aeth* and other places of the New Conquest in the Netherlands, to work at the Fortifications.

*Yarmouth Mart. 29.* This day came into this Road a ship of this Town from *Marseilles*, her lading mostly *Bimstone* and *Almonds* bound for *Hambourgh*; by a Merchant of this place arriving upon her from the same place we are informed, that off the North Cape they met with an *Algier* man of War of 36 Guns, who sent their boat aboard them, and made a strict search, but that the Master of this ship and this Merchant going aboard the Turks man of War were civilly treated, and offered a supply of any necessaries they could furnish them with, excusing the strictness of the search upon several abuses put upon them by such of their Enemies as had pretended their ships and goods to have been *English*.

*Lyme, March 29.* Yesterday arrived here the *Fellowship* of this place in 9 weeks from *Jamaica*, informing us of the thriving condition of the Island; but telling us, that on the 2d of *January* last the *Oxford* Frigate was near *Hispaniola* by some misfortune blown up, with about 200 men aboard her and some Officers.

*Whitehall, March 31.* His Majesty having been advertised, that great quantities of Corn and Grain are imported, and more intended to be imported into his Kingdom of *England*, whereby the Liberty for Transportation of Corn will be rendered useles to His Majesties Subjects, the Markets clogg'd, and the Corn of the Growth of this Kingdom under-sold, to the great discouragement of Tillage and Husbandry, and diminution and abatement of the Rents and Revenues of this Kingdom; was graciously pleased the 29th instant, with the advice of his Privy Council, to order his Proclamation to be issued out: strictly forbidding and prohibiting all persons whatsoever, Aliens and Denizens, and all other his Subjects, from and after the publication of the said Proclamation, to import or cause to be imported into any part or place of this Kingdom any foreign Corn or Grain, of what nature or kind soever; or to utter, barter, or sell the same, until His Majesties Pleasure shall be declared, or other Order taken; upon pain of forfeiting all that by Law is forfeitable, and such other punishment as by the Prerogative Royal may be inflicted upon the Contemners of His Majesties Royal Authority.