

**Coblenz, Jan. 1.** Monsieur d' Auverkerke, General Terrauc, and several other General Officers, which lately came hither from Düsseldorf, and other Places on the Lower Rhine, meet frequently, and the Hereditary Prince of Hesse-Cassel is shortly expected here from Rhinfelds to assist at their Conferences, which, according to the general Discourse, will end in the Siege of Traerbach. Major-General Goor went two days ago with a Party of 100 Horse to view that Place, and is since returned hither. The Imperial and Palatine Forces, under the Command of Count Nassau Weilbourg, have taken Post at St. Wendel, Hombourg, and Bilsch, and are fortifying those Places. The French Garison of Fort St. Martin near Triers was lately relieved, and augmented with 600 Horse, who in their march thither fell upon a small Party of Hussars, which was forced to retire, with the Loss of 6 Men killed and a few wounded, but soon afterwards had its Revenge, for marching towards Saarbruck, they met with a Party of 100 French Dragoons, which they cut in Pieces. About 4 days ago a whole Guard of 25 French Soldiers, that was posted near Traerbach, deserted and came over to the Allies. It has been taken notice of, that several French Officers and Soldiers, under pretence of Deserting, have found means to get into the Elector of Bavaria's Army; but this Practice having been timely discovered, effectual Care will be taken to prevent it for the future.

**Cologne, Jan. 5.** The States of this Archbishoprick have granted to our Chapter a Subsidy of 30000 Crowns; to be applied to the Service of the Publick, and will separate in two or three days. The States of the Circle of Westphalia are shortly to meet, and our Chapter intends to send two Deputies to that Assembly. The Bishop of Ratis is perfectly recovered of his late Illness. The French work very hard at Bon to augment the Fortifications of that Place; but we hear that the Rhine having overflowed, by reason of the late Rains, it has done great Damage to their Fort over-against it. They give out, that their Garison at Bon will shortly be considerably reinforced.

**Paris, Jan. 5.** Some days ago the Count de Rouci arrived here from Italy, with the News of the taking of Governolo, and the Chevalier de Maulevrier is since arrived with a particular Account of that Action, which is as follows; On the 21st of the last Month the Duke of Vendosme came out of Mantua with a Body of 8000 Men and 10 Pieces of Cannon, in order to attack Governolo, and marching along the Mincio, Count Tesse, who had the Van, came in sight of some German Forces which were on the other side of that River, and exchanged some Shot with them, but with little Loss on either side. Our Forces being advanced near to Governolo, found about 300 of the Enemy posted in a Houle which was mored round, and fenced with Palisades; the Chevalier de Maulevrier was ordered to attack that Post with 4 Companies of Granadiers, supported by several Battalions, and they took it by Storm, though with considerable Loss, the Marquis of Luzzara Brigadier-General of Foot and Colonel of the Duke of Mantua's Regiment of Guards, and several other Officers, being reckoned among the slain, and the Marquis of Mirabeau and many more being wounded; Part of the Germans were killed or taken, and the rest retired to Governolo. The 22d, the Duke of Vendosme caused 4 Trenches to be opened before Governolo, and it was carried on as far as the Ditch; a Battery was erected against the Castle, and another against its Bridge over the Mincio; but Prince Eugene, who by this time was come up with a Body of Troops, fearing that if the Bridge were broke down by the shot from our Battery, which kept continually playing upon it, the Garison might fall into our hands, sent them Orders to retire, which they did, having first set fire to their Magazines and some other Buildings; Our Troops having perceived this, went in and took Possession of the Place, but did not think fit to pass over the Bridge and attack the Germans, who were still in Possession of that part of Governolo which is on the other side of the Mincio. It is said Prince Eugene has since abandoned it, and all his other Posts on that side, as far as Ostiglia. The Count de Betons has possessed himself of Bertello, and on another Post near Bertello, in order to strengthen that Garison, and bombarded the Place from the 17th to the 20th, but without any effect that we have yet heard of. The Pope's Nuncio had Audience of the

French King at Versailles the 29th past, and presented to him a brief from his Master, desiring him not to entertain any Prejudice against the Republick of Venice; and the next day their Ambassador, who had the Character of Ambassador Extraordinary for that Occasion only, had Audience of the King, and delivered a Letter from the Republick, entreating him not to be offended at their having prosecuted, according to due Course of Law, some Criminals who pretended to shelter themselves from Justice, by having Commissions from the King of Spain, and representing the Justice of their Proceedings on this and all other Occasions. The Marquis de Villars took the usual Oaths as Marshal of France on the 31st past. The next day the Count de Martin was made a Knight of the Order of the Holy Ghoist.

**Hague, Jan. 9. N. S.** A Trumpeter came hither the 5th Instant from Brussels, with a Letter from the Marshal de Bouillers to the Earl of Athlone, containing some Proposals touching a Cartel for the Exchange of Prisoners, and this Express was immediately dispatched to him in Gelderland; His Excellency is since returned hither, and was present yesterday in the Council of State. The Squadron of Men of War commanded by Admiral Allemenonde waits only for a fair Wind to put to Sea. Our last Advices from Paris confirm the taking of Governolo by the French, but not by Assault, as was at first reported. My Lord Pager, Her Majesty's Great Brittain's late Ambassador at the Ottoman Port, is expected here next week, having taken Hanover in his way from Vienna.

**St. James's, Dec. 31.** Her Majesty has been pleased to appoint Sheriff for Nottingham, Henry Sherbrooke Esq;

By the Commissioner for recovering and receiving the Rights and Perquisites of Admiralty.

ON Wednesday the 20th Instant, the Ships and Ladings following, viz. Ship Eagle and Crown, Burthen about 150 Tuns, and L'Annonce late Master, and Ladings, viz. Fish, Oil, &c. lying at Galway in Ireland; Ship Trinity, Patrick Galway late Master, lying at Scilly, Burthen about 45 Tuns; and the ship Hope of Bourdeaux, Burthen about 32 Tuns, lying also at Scilly; lately condemn'd as Prizes, and as Perquisites of Admiralty, will be expos'd to Sale by 12 o'Clock, at Three of the Clock the same day, at Lloyd's Coffee-House in Lombard-street, London. Inventories thereof are to be seen at the Horn Tavern at Dutiers-Commons, London, and at the Place of Sale; also for the Eagle and Crown at Mr. Eyr's at Galway; and for the two other Ships at Mr. Patrick Grubbe's at Scilly.

A General Court of the English Company Trading to the East-Indies, will be held at Skinners-hall on Tuesday the 12th Instant, at 11 in the forenoon precisely; and a General Court of the General Society will be held at the same Place on the same day, at 12 a Clock, about Special Business.

At a General Court of the Royal African Company of England, held the 15th of December last, it was resolved, That each Adventurer pay unto the said Company the Sum of Six Pounds per Share upon their whole Stock, on certain Encouragements, the Particulars thereof will be delivered to any Adventurer on demand, at the African-House in Leadenhall-street; the first Term of Allowance for Prizes Payment expires the 15th Instant, the second Allowance the 15th of February next, the last Allowance the 15th of March next.

#### Advertisements.

✠ A Sermon Preached at St. Paul's Cathedral, Dec. 8. 1702. before the Gentlemen Educated at Eaton College. By St. Alban Woodstreet, and Chaplain Ordinary to Her Majesty. Published at the Request of the Stewards. Printed for T. Bennet at the Half-Moon in St. Paul's Church-yard.

✠ The History of the Works of the Learned; or, An impartial Account of Books lately printed in all Parts of Europe; with a particular Relation of the State of Learning in each Country: For the Month of Dec. 1702. To be continued Monthly. Done by several Hands. Printed for H. Rhodes near Fleet-bridge, T. Bennet in St. Paul's Church-yard, A. Bell in Cornhill, and D. Midwinter and T. Leigh in St. Paul's Church-yard.

Whereas W. B. absented himself from his Father's House on Saturday the 26th past at night, being called out by a young Man, who is gone with him: They are therefore desired to return, and they shall be kindly received, their Matters being settled.

THE Trustees of Mr. Isaac Hawkins, late of Thames-street, London, Hop-Merchant, deceased, give Notice, That an Instrument is drawn for the better enabling them to act in this Trust, (which is executed by the greatest part of the Creditors) and is lodged at Mr. Wright's in Clements-Lane by Lombard-street, in order to be sealed by the rest; and such as shall not do it before the 23d Instant, will be excluded.

MR. Cornelis Van Schie's Shop at the Box in the Hay-market, being very well accoutred, is to be Let, to any one that will buy his Stock of Snuots and Boots, which will be sold very reasonably.