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Lisbon, Sept. 23. N. S.

ON the 13th Instant the French Ambassador, Monsieur de Chateaufneuf, had a private Audience of the King, which was very short. The Preparations for War on our side are carried on with the greatest Diligence that can be: The 12 new-raised Regiments are almost compleated, and every thing else is in a great readiness; the Spaniards are making what Preparations they can, and all the Forces they have are brought to the Frontiers of Portugal; but they daily desert in great numbers, inasmuch that a Regiment of Biscayners, which is the best they have at Badajoz, the most part is already come over to us. On the 15th Instant the Bishop of Elvas was made Secretary of State, upon the Death of Joseph de Faria, who executed that Employment, although Mendo de Foyez still retained the Title. Here is no News of the English Fleet under the Command of Sir Cloudfly Shovel, since the first of this Month, and then it was in the Bay of America.

Vienna, Sept. 19. The King of Spain went from hence the 14th Instant to Marin-Zell, and returned hither the 17th. This evening, about 6 a Clock, his Majesty set out on his Journey to Holland, passing through the principal Streets of the City in an open Coach, to give the People the Satisfaction of seeing him. His Majesty was followed by a very great Train of Coaches, wherein were his Chamberlains, and the other Officers who are appointed to attend him in this Expedition. Signior Davis, the Pope's Nuncio, as he was going on the 16th Instant to the Emperor's Chapel to Mass, was stop't in his Coach, and is forbid the Court, for not having been present at the Ceremony of the Declaring of the King of Spain. Presently after this King's Departure, the Emperor and the King of the Romans, with their Courts, went to Ebersdorf, where they will continue about 6 weeks, to take the usual Diversions of this Season. Monsieur Oberg, who has resided here these 10 years as Envoy from the House of Lunenbourg, has taken his Audience of Leave, and will set out for Hanover in two or three days. A Courier from Trent has brought Advice, That General Heister arrived there the 11th Instant; and that the French had withdrawn their Mortars and Cannon: All the Damage they have done to that City not exceeding the Value of 10000 Florins. On the 12th the Enemy retired wholly from thence, and marched towards Sarca, burning all the good Houses they found in their way, particularly the Palace of Castel-Nevo, belonging to Count Paris de Ladrono. They were to encamp that night beyond Tublin; and the Imperialists intended to march the next day, with intent to get to the Pass of La Chiusa before them, and endeavour to cut off their Retreat. Our Advices from Turkey say, the Grand Signior Mustapha is at last deposed, and his Brother Achmet set up in his room; That the Grand Visier, and several other chief Officers of the Porte, have been forced to flee for their Security; and that one who was formerly Nissangi Bashaw, whose Name is Achmet, is made Grand Visier.

Zurich, Sept. 19. All our Accounts from Italy agree, that the Duke of Vendosme was preparing for his Return to Lombardy, having been in sight of the City of Trent, but not able to bombard it to any purpose, because of the great distance at which his Batteries were placed, the River being between him and the Town. He has lost many of his bravest Men in this Expedition.

From the Imperial Camp under Count Stirum near Nordlingen, Sept. 21. Our Army having decamped

from Hausheim, marched the 18th Instant to Seppolinea, where we were obliged to continue the next day, to wait for the Wagons in which were our Pontoons, which, by reason of the badness of the Ways, could not keep pace with us. We perceived that a Body of the Enemy's Horse marched on the other side of the Danube to observe us; and to make them believe that we intended to repair our Bridge at Grunheim, which we had broken down some time before, and that we would pass over the Danube there, we took Post on the 20th, by break of day, in an Island of the River near that Place. That day our Parties that were sent out for Intelligence brought Advice, that the Enemy had passed the Danube with great Diligence at Demauwert, and that their main Army was in full March against us; whereupon we put our selves into a readiness to receive them, and while we were endeavouring to gain a rising Ground towards Hochstedt, the Enemy, under the Command of the Elector of Bavaria and the Marshal de Villars, drew up in order of Battel at Kauffheim, and fired three Cannon-shot, by way of Signal, which were answered by a like number in our Rear; and we soon perceived that the Marquis d'Uffon was advancing to us on that side with 15 Squadrons and 18 Battalions, that had been left in their Intrenchment at Dillingen. The Enemy's main Army endeavoured to get between us and a Wood, which favoured our Retreat, and the Body commanded by the Marquis d'Uffon advanced towards our Rear, where they fell in with our Hussars and Bagage, and put them into some Disorder. Our General resolved to attack the weaker Army before the stronger should fall upon him, and two Imperial Regiments of Horse, with the King of Poland's Regiment of Life Guards, were ordered to fall upon the Marquis d'Uffon's Horse, that stood at some distance from their rear, which they performed so well, that the Enemy's Horse were put to flight, and their Foot thereupon fled likewise, by the way of Hochstedt, to their old Camp at Dillingen. While the Enemy's Horse were in this Disorder, Count Palfy, with 5 Standards of Polish Horse, fell upon 6 of their Squadrons, and drove them into a Bog, where most of them perished. In the mean time the Horse of our Right Wing attacked some Squadrons of the Enemy's main Army; but some of our Auxiliary Regiments of Horse, without any Necessity, gave way, and put the rest into Disorder, and the Enemy taking Advantage of it, attacked our Feet, who received them very warmly, and killed many of their Men, and behaved themselves so well, that the Enemy, though above twice our number, was obliged to suffer us to make a very orderly Retreat through the Wood above-mentioned. This Action lasted above 9 hours: The number of Men we lost in this Occasion cannot yet be certainly known, for many of our Men who were musing come in daily, but at most it can scarce exceed 1000 Men, killed, wounded, and taken Prisoners; but our greatest Lois consists in Artillery, Ammunition, and Bagage; for the Country People, who were made use of to attend the same, run away with their Horses, leaving the Wagons to the Mercy of the Enemy, some of which themselves had plundered beforehand. We are assured that the Enemy lost many more of their Men. The Country People, the Prisoners we have taken, as well Officers as Soldiers, do all agree, that they were 72 Squadrons and 48 Battalions strong, having drawn together all their Troops which lay near the Danube. We are rallying our Forces, and preparing for a March, wherein we shall govern our selves according to the Accounts we shall receive of the Enemy's Motions.

Augsbourg, Sept. 22. Prince Lewis of Baden continues encamped in the Neighbourhood of this Place. The Count de la Tour being sent with a strong Detachment to make an Inroad into Bavaria, has taken the Town of Friedberg, the Garison whereof surrendered this morning at Discretion. We hear from Franconia, that the Castle of Rottemberg, which was blocked up by the Forces of that Circle, began to capitulate on the 17th Instant, and the Garison, which consisted of 600 Bavarians, was to march out yesterday, with 1 Mortar and 4 Pieces of Cannon.

Cologne.

Cologne, Sept. 28. According to our last Accounts from the Upper Rhine, the Duke of Burgundy had left the French Army under the Command of the Marshal de Tallard, which was still encamped near Brisac. Letters from Augsburg say, that a Party of 500 Horse of Prince Lewis's Army met on the 19th Instant one of 250 French Horse, commanded by Prince Charles of Lorraine, Son of the Duke of Anjou, whom they entirely defeated, the Prince himself being dangerously wounded, and brought Prisoner to the Imperial Camp, with two Captains and 20 Troopers; besides which the Imperialists brought home 80 Horses.

From the Camp at Veurier, Octob. 1. N.S. The 25th of the last Month, in the evening, we finished our Batteries, on 4 whereof were planted 24 Pieces of Cannon, that carried 5 Ball or 24 Pound, 12 of 12 Pound, and 6 of 6 Pound, besides 20 Mortars on two other Batteries. The next morning they began to fire, and continued all day, with very good Success. On our side a Major of the Forces of Hesse had both his Legs shot off with a Cannon Ball, a Lieutenant belonging to the Dutch Train of Artillery was wounded in the Foot, 3 private Soldiers were killed, and as many wounded, which was all the Loss we sustained in this Siege. In the morning one of the Enemy's Batts happened to fight among some of our Shells, and about 60 of them blew up. In the evening we moved one of our Batteries, and joined it to another which was nearer to the Town. Our Mortars continued to fire all night, to disturb the Garrison, and keep them from resting, the Bombs having already destroyed most of their Bricks. By the 27th the Breach was already so wide, that we hoped we might be able to give an Assault that night or the next day: But the Enemy prevented us, for about noon they beat a Parley. All the Conditions they could obtain were, That they should remain Prisoners at War; That the Officers and Soldiers might keep what was their own; and the former should be allowed 12 Wagons to carry away their Baggage, provided that within half an hour after this was agreed they delivered up one of their Gates, which being done; and the Garrison being marched out, consisting of 1400 Men, the Officers included, our Forces took Possession of the Place, and His Grace the Duke of Marlborough, with the Deputies of the States, appointed the Baron of Rechteren to be Commander there. Above 100 Swiss of the French Garrison took Service with those of their Nation, who are in the Pay of the States General, and the rest marched this day with the Train of Artillery to Mastricht, with a Guard of 5 Battalions of Foot, and as many Squadrons of Horse, commanded by the Prince of Sauterbourg, and Brigadier-General Withers. From thence they are to be transported by Water to Venlo and Grave. His Grace went the 29th to Aix la Chapelle, from whence he returned hither last night, and intends to go to-morrow to Liège, in his way to the other Army. Sixteen Battalions and 24 Squadrons are to remain in this Neighbourhood, under the Command of the Hereditary Prince of Hesse, who will encamp at Mahneay, on the Frontiers of the Duchy of Luxembourg. And Directions are given for repairing the Breach we have made at **Enbourg**, and for adding some new Works, for the greater Security of that Place.

Hague, Octob. 2. N.S. An Express arrived here the 27th Instant from Vienna to the Count de Goffen, the Emperor's Envoy, with an Account, That the King of Spain had left the Imperial Court the 19th past, and would be at **Düsseldorf** the 7 or 8 of this Month; whereupon he had a Conference the same day with the Deputies of the States-General to acquaint them therewith. The States of **Holland** and **Westphalia** have appointed Monsieur d'Oldam, on the part of the Nobility, and the Sieurs **Van Slingerland**, **Van Castricum**, and **Vander Nieuwburg**, on the part of the Towns, to receive him on the Frontiers of this Province; and the States-General will likewise appoint Deputies to compliment his Majesty at his Entrance into the Territories of this Republick. Orders are given for hastening the firing out of the Men of War and Transport Ships which are to attend his Majesty in his Voyage to **Portugal**; and every thing will be in a readiness for that purpose by the 20th Instant. The Pensioner has been very ill these three days of the Cholick and Gravel. His Grace the Duke of Marlborough is daily expected at the Army near **St. Tron**, which is to keep the Field as long as the Season will permit, to hinder the French from sending any Reinforcements to their Armies in **Germany**.

East-India House, Sept. 24. 1703.

THE Governor and Company of Merchants of London Trading into the East-Indies do hereby give Notice, That their Transfer-Book will be shut up from the 28th Instant to the 15th of October next, in order to the making out the Warrants for the Half Yearly Payment or Allowance, due the 25th Instant, according to the Direction of the General Court of the 27th of April, 1702. which Warrants will be ready to be delivered the Adventurers by the said 15th of October.

The Court of Assistants of the Corporation for making Hollow Sword-blades in England do hereby give Notice, That the Transfer-Book of the said Corporation will be shut from Tuesday the 28th Instant to Friday the 15th of October next exclusive, in order to an Election of a Governor, Deputy-Governor, and 16 Assistants of the said Company, for the Year ensuing: which Election will be made at the Office of the said Corporation in Birchin-Lane, London, on Tuesday the 12th of October next, between the Hours of 10 and 12 in the forenoon, and 5 in the afternoon. Printed Lists of the Proprietors will be ready to be delivered at the said Place on or any time after the 7th of October next. The said Court of Assistants give further Notice, That the Warrants for the Payment of the Prompt Subscription on the last 150000^l. Stock will be ready to be delivered to the Persons entitled thereto, or their Order, at the said Office on or any time after the 29th Instant.

Whereas two several Notices have been formerly given in the Gazette, That the Committee for Letting the City of London, in the Account of the Chamberlain of the City of London, would, and the Proprietors next, receive Proposals for Letting the publick Markets hereafter mentioned: Now the said Committee have thought fit to give this further Notice, That the Lease of the publick Markets of the said City, viz. Leadenshall, Stocks, Honey Lane, and Newgate Markets, will expire at Michaelmas, One thousand seven hundred and five; and that the said Committee will receive Proposals till the 3d day of November next, from any Person or Persons who are willing to take a Lease of the said Markets; which Proposals are to be in Writing, and subscribed by the Party, and sealed up, and delivered to the Committee, who shall sit in the Council-Chamber at Guildhall every Weensday of evening.

The Office of Excise, now kept in Broad-street, will from and after Weensday the 6th day of October next be held at the House lately inhabited by Mr. Frederick, in the Old-Jury in Chancery-Lane: Whereof all Persons concerned are desired to take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Advertisements.

STOLEN the 22d Instant, in the night, out of the Bear-Inn in Reading in Berkshire, a Gold Watch, made by Tho. Tompion, London, number'd and mark'd thus, 363, in the bottom of the Box, and on the upper Plate of the Watch, in a Gold grav'd Case, a little broken, having a fine Steel Chain (made by Wife of Eaton) when lost; Also a green Silk knit Purse, with several Guineas in it, one whereof was of Her present Majesty's Coin, and a Broad Piece of King Charles the Second's Coin, and a Spanish Dollar, and other Silver: Whoever discovers the said Watch, (so as it may be had again) and gives notice to Mr. Tompion, Clockmaker, at the end of Water-lane in Fleet-street, or to Miss Bernard at the Bear-Inn in Reading, shall have 5 Guineas Reward: And any Person who shall discover the Watch, and Party that stole it, (so as both be secured) shall have 10 l. Reward, at either of the Places aforesaid.

THE Royal Lustring Company will expose to Sale, by Inch of Candle, on Thursday the 7th of October, at 10 in the morning, a Parcel of English Broad and Narrow Allamodes and Lustring, at their House in Aldermanbury, where the Goods will be seen three days before the Sale.

THE Barton, or Capital House, called Bowdon; as also the Manor of Alington, adjoining thereto, lying and being in or near the Borough of Toinets in the County of Devon; together with all the several Regalties, Free-Fisheries, &c. as also the Advowson, 200 l. per Ann. and all the Free-Rents of the several Manors of Tibbacombe, Alnbridge, Folland, Bickley, and Kingsbridge, in the County aforesaid; to be sold in Parcels to the highest Bidder, on Monday the first of November next, at the Barton of Bowden aforesaid. A Survey thereof to be seen at Martyn Rider's Esq. Bench of the Middle-Temple, at Sir Richard Gipp's Chambers in Grays-Inn, and at Mr. Christopher Farwell's, Merchant, in Toinets aforesaid.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt against Francis Hore, late of Illington in Middlesex, Chapman, intend to meet on Thursday the 14th of October next, at 3 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 and there to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution-money, otherwise they will be excluded the said Dividend.

THE Commissioners in a renewed Commission of Bankrupt against Henry Gibbes, late of Bristol, Merchant, intend to meet on Tuesday the 12th of October next, at Two in the afternoon, at the Three-Tun-Tavern in Corn-street, Bristol, to make a further Distribution of the said Bankrupt's Estate; And all Creditors concerned, who have not already proved their Debts, are then and there to come prepared to prove the same, and pay their Contribution-money, or they will be excluded the said Distribution.

WENT from his Master the 13th Instant, in the evening, a Negro Man named Caesar, aged about 20, middle Statur'd, well-set, a black Hat, thick Hair, bow Leg'd, speaks very good English, having only a Watcoat on of Cinamon Colour'd Cloath, with black Buttons, the same Colour'd Shag Breeches, strip'd with black, and black Stockings. Whoever brings or gives notice of him to Mr. Robert Savage, Hoffer, at Aldersgate, or to his Master, Mr. Tho. Fish, at Highgate, (so as he may be had again) shall have 10 s. Reward, and Charges.

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