

by the Swedes which may honourably conduce to an accommodation, of which they begin to conceive greater hopes then formerly, since from the Governour of *Nerua* in *Livonia* they are informed, that the Heer *Heinsius* who was sent from the States of the *United Provinces* to interpose and mediate with the Grand Duke for the composing of the said differences, being on his way thither, the Great Duke upon notice of his approach to the frontiers, had given order to the Governour of *Novigrod* to receive and Treat him with all possible Civility and to assist him in his voyage; and that the Great Duke was resolved to send his Ministers iⁿ to *England*, *Swedeland*, and *Holland* for the more full satisfaction of all parties interest- ed in this Negotiation.

About 10 days since was held in this City a great Council, which continued long, during which time, the Gates of the City were kept lockt and well guarded; the subject of this consultation has been kept as a great secret, but tis believ'd to have been principally to consider of a proposal made to the Magistrates by several Roman Catholick Families, that if they will grant them one Church in the City for the free exercise of their Religion, they will oblige themselves to inhabit here with their families, and set up a considerable Trade to the advantage of this place.

From *Cologne* we are told, that the differences are not yet determined between his Electoral Highness and the City, though many endeavours have been used for that purpose; and that the Elector continues to make Reprisals upon such of the inhabitants as have any Estates w^{ithin} his jurisdiction.

The States of *Fuliers* and *Bergues* after a long Session at *Dusseldorf*, are separated, not having been able to come to any resolution, but only engaging themselves by promise to meet again suddenly at *Mulheim*.

From *Ratisbonne* they write, that the Three Colledges being wholly intent upon the composition of all differences within the Empire, as well as the raising of forces for its security against any foreign attempts, made choice of several persons their Deputies to Treat with the Baron *de Risencourt* the Duke of *Lorraine's* Plenipotentiary, about the restitution of the Conny of *Saerwerden* and the Fort of *Hombourg*, who after several conferences made their report to the three Colledges, that the Duke of *Lorraine* was unwilling to dispossess himself of the said Conny of *Saerwerden*, till he had assurance first given him of satisfaction for the Fort of *Hombourg*, for which he demanded the sum of 200 thousand *Crowns*, which is thought to be a greater sum then will be easily agreed to by the Empire.

Harwich, Nov. 16. The winds now changing to the Northwards, most part of the ships and vessels which for a long time have been confined to this place, sailed hence for the *Thames*. This change of wind gives us hopes of the speedy return of some of 5 *Pacquet* boats which are by contrary winds kept off from us.

Whitehal, Nov. 17. His Majesty having been informed that divers lewd and disorderly persons have committed great and hainous Robberies, Murders and Burglaries, imboldned thereto either out of hope to escape the hand of Justice, or by the carelessness and negligence in keeping due Watches and Wards, and the pursuit of them by Hue-and-cry, or the concealment of them and their Horses by Inn-keepers, Ostlers and others, and that some which have been indicted for these offences, and others not indicted but guilty of the same, continue their wicked practices in spoiling his good Subjects, of which number are said to be *Lewis* alias *Lodowick* alias *Choud de Val* alias *Brown*, *Swift Nix* alias *Clerk*, *Humble Ashenbush*, *Martin Bringhamst*, *John*

Castells alias *Cassels*, *Matthew Bromfield* alias *Spencer*, *William Stavely*, *William Stanesby*, *Thomas Stanly*, *Nicholas Greenbury*, *William Talbot*, *Richard Wild*, *William Connel*, *Nicholas James*, and *Herman Atkins* are notoriously known to be such, and of one party and knot, &c. His Majesty minding to preserve all His loving Subjects in their Lives and Estates from all Rapine and Violence, was this day pleased to order His Proclamation to be issued out, Commanding all His Subjects and Officers of Justice to use their endeavours for the apprehension of the said persons and al others who have been or shall be guilty of the offences aforesaid, that they may be proceeded against according to Law and Justice, declaring His Will and Pleasure, That all Justices take Order that due Watches and Wards be kept by Horse and Foot for the apprehension of such offenders; Commanding all Vintners, keepers of Common Ordinaries, Gaming-Houses, Inn-keepers, House-keepers and other persons, where such persons shall be or resort, to apprehend or cause them to be apprehended &c. or otherwise themselves to be proceeded against as far as by due course of Law they may, declaring, That whosoever shall before the 20th of *June* next, apprehend or cause to be apprehended any of the said persons above-named, and brought into custody, and prosecute them to a Conviction, shall have a reward of Twenty pounds for every such offender; and for every other notorious Robber, Burglar or Murderer, the sum of Ten pounds within 15 days after their conviction, to be paid by the respective Sheriff of the County where such conviction shall be had, upon the Certificate of the Judge or under the hands of two or more Justices of the peace before whom they were convicted; this to be paid out of the publick Moneys received by such Sheriff in the said County, which shall be allowed him upon his account in the Exchequer, for which His Majestys said Proclamation is to be a sufficient Warrant: His Majesty farther Commanding all persons who keep Horses at Livery, or Lett Horses out to Hire in any part of the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, Borough of *Southwark*, or Counties of *Middlesex* or *Surrey*, to give a just account to the two next Justices of peace of all such horses as they keep at Livery or Lett out to Hire, and who are the owners of them, with the place of their usual abode, for which purpose the Justices of the peace of the said Cities and Counties, or some of them, are to meet together and send for Ostlers and others concerned to give an account accordingly. His Majesty farther declaring, That if any person shall furnish another with horses who shall commit any of the offences aforesaid, he shall for the same be proceeded against and punished according to the utmost severities of Law, as by the Proclamation at large will more fully appear.