

Empire; and had allotted each Prince and State of the Empire their proportion of the said Leavy, and their rate at which they are chargeable for their *quotas*, for ammunition, Provision, and Artillery.

The Archbishop of *Strigonium*, the Count *Forgatz*, and the Baron *de Zisky*, President of the Chamber of *Hungary*, are departed from *Vienna* to be present at the Assembly of the States of that kingdom at *Neufol*, where tis believed the Emperour will receive full satisfaction of the good intentions of the Protestants; and that all their designs tended only to preserve themselves in their just liberties, and to defend themselves against the violencies of the Turks.

The Emperours forces which were formerly quartered in and near *Vienna*, are ordered to march to *Gaurino*, *Comorra*, and *Leopold*, for the security of the peace of that kingdom.

The Visier of *Buda* has made great complaints against the Hussars, and amongst other discourses he had with the Emperours Interpreter, was pleased to tell him, that unless greater care were taken to prevent their incursions upon the Ottoman territories, the Grand Signior would suddenly be obliged to reduce them by force of Arms.

The Grand Signior has sent his Commands to the Bassis of *Asia*, *Africa*, and *Egypt*, to give him in a List of what forces they are able to draw out into the field for his service, but for what employment he intends them, is not yet discovered.

The Emperess Dowager is returned home from *Poland*.

*Hambourg, Mart. 21.* The Count *de Hanau* has lately removed several of his Counsellors, and put others in their room, and changed the Governour of the place, but the affairs of the Count in relation to the neighbor Princes continue in the same posture as formerly; all persons concerned expecting the issue of the Emperours Commission, which is to be opened at *Spire*. In the mean while the forces of the *Landgrave of Hessen Cassel* are continued about *Nammbourg*, and the Electors of *Mentz* upon the frontiers near *Hanau*.

From *Sweden* we are told, that Monsieur *Lutzan* the Marshal of that Court having married a Lady of a considerable fortune, the 17th past entertained the Great persons of the Court.

Lieutenant General *Arensfield* is lately dead. The 20th past was appointed for a day of solemn Prayers through the whole kingdom, to humble themselves amongst other things for the great sorceries and witchcrafts which they fancy has been used among them near the Copper mountains, to the destruction of many persons, especially Children; the people of those parts being suspected to be notoriously guilty of such like diabolical Arts, although those persons who seem to search more closely into the causes of those distempers which have befallen the people of those parts, attribute them rather to the fumes which arise from the Mines which they much frequent, than to any extraordinary practices of witches or evil spirits.

*Brussels, Mart. 28.* On Friday last the Heers *Vander Techt* and *Vrybergen*, Envoyes Extraordinary from the States of the *United Provinces*, had an Audience from the Constable of *Castile*, in which they complained of the delays they had met with in the business for which they were principally employd hither, viz. for the composition of the disputes with the Admiralty of *Offend*; his Excellencies Commissioners not having sufficient power and instructions given them to make any considerable advance in that affair; his Excellency was pleased to hear them favourably, and to promise them that they should be suddenly armed with power, so as to give them full satisfaction in that particular.

The Constable has for the security of the frontiers, ordered a considerable part of the Army to be disposed of for the reinforcement of the Garrisons of *Aire*, *St Omer*, *Spres*, *Dixmuid*, and *Newport*, and sent three Boats laden with Ammunition to supply the defects of the said

Garrisons, and on Monday last Count *Marfia* went hence by his Excellencies Order to visit the several Garrisons upon the frontiers, and to give Orders for all things which he shall judge necessary for their security.

*Hague, Mart. 28.* The States of *Holland* may continue their Session all this Lent, having many affairs before them of great consideration, and particularly, the complaints of the City of *Leyden*; of the injury they have long received from *Amsterdam*, by letting the Salt waters into their Channel and spoiling their waters.

*Amsterdam* having frequently prevented the redress of this great inconveniency by their Acts in the Assembly; those of *Leyden* the 24th or 25th instant sunk 150 boats laden with stones and other materials in the Channel between *Amsterdam* and *Gonde* to stop up the passage, and set a guard to prevent the opening of it again, which has been sharply complained of by the Deputies of *Amsterdam*, and occasioned a long debate in the Assembly.

The Provinces of *Friesland* and *Groningue* have resolved upon the separation of the two Charges of Governour and Captain General, but have signify'd their desires, that the Prince of *Orange* may be admitted into the Council of State.

The disputes between the Elector of *Cologne* and the City, admit not as yet of any composition, inasmuch as the said Elector has thoughts of entertaining some foreign force for the reduction thereof, which gives no little jealousy to the neighbour Princes.

His most Christian Majesty is said to have some intention of coming to *Aix* to make use of the Baths, and to take that opportunity of conference with the Elector of *Cologne*, the Bishop of *Munster* and others.

The States have thought it convenient to reinforce the Garrison of *Maestricht*.

*Paris, Mart. 29.* The ships which are fitted up at *Rochelle*, may in little time sail for *Madagascar* and the *Indies* as designed. Letters from *Surat* tell us, that Monsieur *Caron*, the principal Director of the affairs of Commerce in those parts, had given credit for the whole Cargo of a ship lately arrived there, but not being able to keep exactly to his time of satisfying a debt which he had contracted upon that account, with an Armenian Merchant, who was concerned there with him; the quarrel grew high between them, inasmuch as Monsieur *Caron* pretending to the greatest power, had sent him away prisoner to *Madagascar*, but the Director of the French Company there, being dissatisfied with his proceedings, had sent back the Armenian with full power to continue at *Surat* in the same employment and authority as before; they tell us that they are not remaining at *Madagascar* above 50 French, but that they expect a considerable supply from *France*, without which, they shall not be able to maintain the Trade expected from those parts.

The 25th instant, dyed at his house in this City Monsieur *Gaston Jean Baptiste de Cominge*, a Knight of the Kings Order, Lieutenant General of his Armies, Governour and Lieutenant General of the Castle and Stewardship of *Saumur*.

On the 17th dyed also here after a long sickness, Monsieur *François de Laubespine Chascainouf*, Marquis *de Hauterive*, sometime Lieutenant General, and Governour of *Breda*.

Cardinal *Porto-Carrero* arrived from *Spain* the 13th instant at *Bayonne*, and lodged one night at the Convent of the *Cordeliers*, and the next day went thence on his way for *Romez* intending to pass by *Thoulouse* and *Montpellier*.

The young Prince of *Piedmont* is to the great joy, but contrary to the expectation of the Duke and Dukes of *Savoy*, recovered of a Fever; which had long held him, inasmuch as his Physicians almost despaired of his Cure.

*Plymouth, March, 18.* This day arrived here the *Thomas* and *Mary* of *London*, from *Virginia*, and one Vessel from *Bourdeaux*, but without any advice which is considerable.