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Berna, February 10. N. S.

THE Deputies of the Roman, Catholick Cantons assembled at Lucerne, have concluded their Session, and we hear they have taken a Resolution to write to the Canton of Zurich, that they would consent to the assembling of a general Diet, wherein they hoped such Measures might be taken as would determine the domestick Differences that had caused so much Disturbance to the whole Helvetick Body. The Canton of Fribourg absolutely refused to send any Deputies to Lucerne, but the reason hereof is not yet known. The Protestant Cantons continue their Conferences at Aarau, and have agreed on the number of Men that each Canton shall be obliged to send to Basil, to prevent any Irruptions that may be made in Violation of the Neutrality which should be observed in respect to their Territories. The Canton of Zurich hath already commanded their Quota to March thither, which consists of twenty five Men. They write from Geneva, that the City of Lyons hath sent a Deputation to Genoa, in order to borrow a considerable Sum of Money of that Republick. We are advised from France, that the Garrison of Grenoble being reduced to extrem Mifery, caused an Insurrection in the Town, which was appeased with great Difficulty; and that thirty Protestants in Languedoc had been sent to the Gallies, being surprized in the Exercise of their Religion. These Advices add, that the Protestants who have been Condemned to the Gallies, or shut up in Prisons were treated with unusual Severity, and the French King's Officers having retrenched one half of what was formerly allowed them for their Sustainance, great Numbers of these miserable People were starved with Hunger.

Hanover, February 14. N. S. Letters from Poland advise, that King Augustus arrived at Warsaw on the 2d Instant, but that he had Prorogued for some Days the Assembly of the General Diet which was summoned to meet on the fourth, that several Senators which are on the Road may be present at the first Session. We have received repeated Advices from divers Places, that a considerable Body of Muscovite Troops were marched into Hungary, in pursuit of the Polish Forces that are commanded by the Palatin of Kiovia.

Francfort, February 13. N. S. Yesterday Count Rechten, Envoy from the States General, arrived here, being charged with a Commission from their High Mightinesses to solicit the Diet of the States of the Upper Rhine, and other associated Circles, to a more vigorous Prosecution of the War. The four Palatine Regiments that were quartered in the Upper Palatinate have already received Orders to March towards the Rhine; and the Troops belonging to the Prince of Hesse are also designed to reinforce the Imperial Army. We receive daily Advices of the great Preparations of the Enemy in Alsitia; but by the Methods which have been already used for supplying the Magazines, and the Precautions for the Security of the Frontiers, as also ten thousand Men which are expected from Austria, and divers other Reinforcements which the respective Princes of the Empire will send to the Upper Rhine, we may reasonably hope not only to be able to oppose the Enterprizes of the Enemy, but also act offensively against France as soon as the Imperial Army shall be entirely formed. It is reported that the Enemy have received Orders to be ready

to take the Field before the end of March and that the Officers have accordingly been commanded to Complete their several Companies by the 20th of that Month.

Haague February 18. N. S. The States of Holland being this Day re-assembled, immediately applied themselves to the Consideration of Publick Affairs, and on proper means for raising Money for the Service of the War. They have taken a Resolution to levy the Sum of four Millions of Florins, part of which is to be raised by way of Loan, on Bonds bearing 4 l. per Cent. Interest and Annuities of 9 l. per Cent, will be established for advancing the remainder. An Agreement is concluded with Undertakers for furnishing the Magazines on the Frontiers with Forage, as they have before done for as much Bread as shall be requisite for the Subsistence of the Troops, and as many Waggons as shall be needed for the Publick Service. It is now under Deliberation how a sufficient Fund, or the necessary Credit, may be settled, for enabling the Undertakers to perform their Contract. It is hoped these Dispositions being made, that the Allies will take the Field before the Enemy can March out of their Garrisons, who having no Magazines on the Frontiers, cannot supply their Horse with dry Forage in the Field. On the 14th Instant Count Zinzendorf the Imperial Plenipotentiary, the Lord Townshend the British Ambassador, the Baron Schmettau Envoy from the King of Prussia, and the respective Ministers of the Elector of Hanover, the Elector Palatine, and the Bishop of Munster, had a Conference with the Deputies of the States-General in the Chamber of Treves. Count Sormani is arrived at this Place, being on his Journey for the Court of Great Britain, where he is to reside with the Character of Envoy from the King of Spain: That Minister designs to continue here until the arrival of the Duke of Marlborough, that he may take that Opportunity of passing over into England, by the Convoy that shall attend his Grace thither. Yesterday being the Anniversary of her Britannick Majesty's Birth-Day, his Excellency the Lord Townshend prepared a sumptuous Entertainment for all the English Gentlemen that are in this Place, for all the Publick Ministers, and the principal Magistrates of the Regency. In the Evening the chief Ladies of this Town were entertained at a splendid Collation by the Lady Townshend. Letters from the Frontiers say, that on the 8th Instant there was an Insurrection of the Garrison of St. Quentin, and that the Soldiers plundered the Markets, broke open several Bakers Houses, and pillaged all the Bread they found in the City. Letters from Venice advise, that the Swedish Minister had made frequent Instances to the Senate, to engage that Republick to espouse the Interests of his Master; but that they persisted in their Resolutions to observe an exact Neutrality in respect to the Northern Crowns.

Falmouth, February 6. Yesterday sailed the Mercury and Queen Packet-Boats for Lisbon, and the Young Dorothy of this Port for the Canaries. The Packet-Boats carried over about one hundred Soldiers. The same Day the Young Mary and the Jamaica Gallies, laden with Pill-chards, sailed for the Streights. This Day came in the Burstenbourg, Capt. Jacob Lepin Commander, from Cruising.

Plymouth, February 7. Yesterday her Majesty's Ships the Rupert, Windfor and Nonfuch, with about 40 sail of Merchantmen, sailed to the Westward. The same Day her Majesty's Ships the Restoration, Plymouth, Assurance, Kent,

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