

appear but *incognito*, although attended with an extraordinary Train, and passing always with Five or Six Gondolas; he has some thoughts of passing to Rome, but to give his visit first to the Lady of Loretto.

On Wednesday last returned hither the Spanish Ambassador from a journey he lately made towards Verona, to compliment and confer with the Duke di Sesto on his way from Milan towards Vienna, whither he is sent Ambassador from his Catholick Majesty.

The Envoye from the Dutchess of Mantoua has frequent conferences both in publick and private with the Deputies of Verona, upon several differences which have risen amongst them about their waters.

His Excellency the Lord Ambassador Falconberg has continued since the 12th instant at Padoua, but intended the 21 instant to pass thence by Coach for Auspurg on his way homewards.

Ratisbonne, Sept. 25. The Sieur Gravelle the French Minister, has lately presented to the Imperial Diet a Memorial in the name of the King his Master, giving reasons of the late invasion of Lorraine by the French Army, with several severe reflections upon the Duke, The Prince and Bishop of Aichstadt is suddenly expected here to take his place in the Diet as the Emperors Commissioner, at whose arrival the Diet was to enter upon the consideration of the affairs of Lorraine.

The Prince of Vandemont arrived here yesterday, and having refreshed himself only, went hence immediately for Vienna, to represent to the Emperor the true state of the affairs of Lorraine, and to require the Emperors assistance for the restauration of the Duk as being a member of the Empire.

Brussels, Octob. 4. The French intend to Quarter their Army for all the ensuing winter in Lorraine, where they have lately published an Order from his most Christian Majesty, dated at St Germain on the 11th of September; forbidding the Lorrainers to pay any moneys whatsoever to the Duke of Lorraine, and that upon pain of death.

His Excellency the Count de Monterey, has lately caused Two Spanish Colonels to be taken into custody for not observing his Commands in keeping their soldiers under a strict discipline; several complaints having been made against them for several exactions and insolencies committed by their soldiers upon their march.

The Duke d'Orléans was on Sunday last committed prisoner to the Cittadel at Antwerp, for speaking over-freely against the late Reforme of his Regiment; search was yesterday made for the Marquis de Belveder, Son to the Count Salazar who had likewise too liberally expressed his dissatisfaction upon the same account, but he was not to be found.

Four Counsellors are lately sent to Antwerp with a Commission to enquire into all Usurpations of Titles and Honours; the same inquisition is also made in other Cities in order to the Reformation of such irregularities.

This day a Clark to his Excellencies Secretary of his Chamber was committed to prison and all his Papers seised.

On Sunday next the Sieurs de Pape and Marechal intend to set forwards for Spain, upon the Commands of the Queen Regent, who has been pleased to call them to assist as Counsellors in the Council of Flanders.

This day arrived a Courier from Spain with all necessary dispatches and provisions for the constituting Don Joseph de San Tour, formerly Secretary

of his Excellencies Chamber, Secretary of State and of war in these Provinces.

Letters of the 17th past from Spain tell us, that the Constable of Castille was arrived at Burgos, and that the Countess de Monterey intended to set forwards from Madrid on the 22 of the same month on her way for Flanders, accompanied with several persons of great Quality.

Paris, Octob. 4. His Majesty had purposed to have rode through to Chambourg in a day, but his Physicians advising him of the great prejudice he might receive in his health, by so hard a journey, he has thought fit to change that Resolution, and to allow four days for his going thither, and as many for his return, to begin his journey on Munday next, and to continue there about three weeks.

The second instant he ordered Commissions to be given out for the speedy raising of 15000. Foot, for which, Monies are already advanced to the Commissioned Officers; He has likewise given order for the raising of 5000 horse immediately after his return from Chambourg.

The Marquis de Coëuvres is lately returned from Spain, having for his Compliments upon the recovery of His Catholick Majesty received a rich Present. The Sieur de Gourville Envoy from the Prince of Conde is also returned, having had this success in his negotiation, that his Catholick Majesty hath engaged the Country of Charolois to the said Prince for security of his debt of 500. thousand Livres.

From Lorraine we are assured, that Epinal after six days Siege only surrendered the 24th past to discretion, the Souldiers within it were all of them made Prisoners of War, whereof a Considerable number is sent away to Metz, and the rest kept under a safe Guard in Epinal, where they are to continue till the Kings pleasure be farther known how to dispose of them.

From Epinal the Marquis de Creguy marched with the Army to Chastel, and came before it the 29th past, intending the next day to open his Trenches, but a Courier passing by this place the second instant intending for the Court, informs, that that Place is also surrendered, of which we daily expect the particulars.

The Duke d'Enguien who was sent out with the Marquis de Fourilles with a party of 800. horse, to attend the motion of the Duke of Lorraine; is returned to the Army without any adventure, having marched near Hombourg, into which place were entered about 800. horse, belonging to the Elector of Mayence. The Duke of Lorraine was with a party of Horse retired into the Country about Hombourg, and has sent to all his Nobility to put themselves into Armes, and to be in readines to assist him.

My Lord Henry Howard lately arrived from Spain, is this day going hence by Post on his way for England.

From Rome we are informed, that the Pope is now in a better condition of health then lately he was, that he has given permission to the Chevalier de Lorraine, to enjoy a pension of 80. thousand Livres yearly, to be raised out of several Benefices, and given a dispensation to Chevalier de Vendosme, to be Grand Prior of France after the decease of Monsieur de Valencey, who at present enjoys that Dignity.

The King has ordered all the Officers of his Army to repair to their respective quarters, where they are to draw out men from every Company, which are to be formed into a Body and to be sent into Lorraine.