

The London Gazette.

Published by Authority.

From Thursday April 18. to Sunday April 22. 1672.

Vienna, April 6.

IT is said that the Elector of Cologne hath by his Envoy here, fully satisfied this Court of his good intentions, for the preservation of the peace of the Empire, and that the Emperor hath thereupon declared himself unconcerned in the difference that Elector may have with the States-General of the United Provinces.

It is reported here, that *Abassi* Prince of *Transilvania*, hath lately embraced the Roman Catholic Religion, which hath very much offended the Port. The Commissions are at length given out for the raising 10000 Foot, the respective Officers being ordered to have their several Companies compleat in six weeks at farthest.

Warsaw, April 7. From *Biala Cierkiew* of the 9 past they tell us, that the Tartars had lately in a body of 6000 men made an incursion into those Countreys, and had done much mischief unto those Inhabitants, upon whom they came so upon the sudden, that they had not had the least knowledge thereof in order to their retiring to the fortified places, or making the least provision for their defence or preservation of their Goods, the richest and best portable of which they carried away, together with great numbers of those miserable people, but the same Letters farther add, that a party of Poles had fallen in upon the retreat of those Tartars as they were returning home with their plunder, and had retaken many of the Polish prisoners, and destroyed several hundreds of the Tartars, the rest saving themselves by flight.

Dorofensko hath as we are told, lately written to the Crown Marshal *Sobieski*, protesting his ready inclination to accommodate matters, and to serve this Crown with all the forces under his Command against all Heremies whatsoever.

The King hath lately written to the Pope and other Princes of Christendom, to desire their assistance against the Turks, who seem to threaten us with an invasion this Summer.

From *Zamosch* we have had advice this week, that the Princess *Wisnowiska* the Kings Mother was very ill there, which hath much afflicted their Majesties, and the Court. There several Letters for the summing of Dyes to be held here about the middle of May, are dispatched to the several Palatinates.

Münster, April 22. Yesterday arrived here the *Heer* *Conon*, one of the Deputies of the States-General, with a strong Convoi of Cavalry, and this day took a review of all the Forces at present in Garrison here, which to that purpose were drawn up in several places within the Town. This day was sent out a party of Horse, whether to scout, or on any other designe, is not certainly known: the foreign Troops draw daily towards these parts, though as yet we hear not of any hostilities committed on either side.

From *Cologae* they tell us, that the French Troops are kept in so good order, that all passengers travel every where with great security, and without receiving the least prejudice. We write here with all the diligence and application possible for the putting all

things into a posture of defence, to which we seem to be the more animated, by the continual reports we have of a designe upon this place.

From *Liege* they write, that there was lately arrived an Envoy from his most Christian Majesty, who had been received by the Chapter there, with all the respect and kindness possible; it is said, that his Majesty will be in person with an Army in that Bishoprick about the middle of the next month.

Cologne, April 22. The 20 instant was published a Manifesto of the Elector of Cologne, in which his Electoral Highness declares that he will be Neuter during this War between his most Christian Majesty and the States-General of the *United Provinces*, and therefore straitly commands all his Officers to abstain from all hostilities or doing the least damage to the said States or any of their Subjects. In the mean time we suddenly expect the Prince of *Conde* in these parts with a very considerable Army. The Bishop of *Strasbourg* came hither the 20 instant, and yesterday returned again for *Bon*. The French have almost finished their Fortifications at *Nitt*.

Liege, April 22. Here are arrived several French Commissaries, who were yesterday about a mile out of Town to order a Bridge to be made over the *Mense*, for the better passage of their Troops.

From *Wasserbielich* of the 16 instant they tell us, that several thousand men had some days before passed that place on their march from *Lorraine* towards the Electorate of *Cologne*. Here is arrived the *Steu de Maisons* in Quality of Envoye from his most Christian Majesty.

Diersburgh, April 23. On Tuesday the 19, arrived here the *Heeren Ripperda tot Buse*, and *Gochingaz*, Deputies of the States-General, and the next day the *Vet-Marshal Wurff*. Yesterday his Highness the Prince of *Orange* arrived at *Dieren*, and this day came hither together with the *Heer Bevenning*. We are told of an Army that may suddenly be brought on foot near *Dieren*, to which end several Forges are drawing that way. From *Westphalia* they write, that they daily expected several French Troops at *Brockholz*.

Hague, April 25. On Saturday last the Officers appointed for the new Levies, took the usual Oaths before the Deputed Council of the States of *Holland*, as they are this day to do before the Council of States, after which they will receive their advanced-Moneys in order to the beginning their new Levies; the Officers of Foot are obliged by their Capitulations to have their several Companies compleat in six weeks, and those of Horse, their several Troops in two months; it is said that besides the Levy of 24000 men which the States of *Holland* are going to make for their particulars, they have resolved on the raising of more Forces.

The *Heer* *de Witt*, *Rumert van Patten* is gone for *Holwerd* to take the preparations there. The *Comman* *Marne* is gone for *Deef* and *Dors*, to give order for the embarking of the Artillery which is to be sent from those places towards the Frontiers. The States have appointed a general Fast to be held within these Provinces on the 4 of May next, which