

*Francfort, Dec. 4.* We were here wholly taken up with various guesses concerning the intended march of Monsieur de Turenne, with the Forces under his Command, when at last we received Letters from the Army that they were going into their winter Quarters, which were appointed to be all along the *Saar*; That Monsieur de Turenne had obtained leave of his most Christian Majesty to return to *Paris*, and pass the winter there, the season being so far advanced, that there was little likelihood of their being able to attempt any thing considerable. From *Vionna* they write, of preparations that are in hand there, to recruit their Forces against Spring, for that they have advice that in *France* they are making great Levies, and that his most Christian Majesty will then have a greater Army in the Field than he has had yet since the War; In the mean time we have leisure here to make some reflexions upon the present Conjunction, and cannot but wonder that the Council are so backward to promote the Peace, as all our Letters from *Cologne*, and even those written by their own Party, tell us they are; as if they expected some great advantage by the continuance of the War, and with the assistance of their Allies to make themselves greater than ever they were both by Land and Sea, but it is probable they may hereafter find their error, and understand that in accepting of a just and reasonable Peace they would have better complied with their own interest, than in pursuing the War.

*Ofsnabrugh, Dec. 6.* Our Prince having been at the Conference which was held at *Burgdorf* near *Zell*, is returned hither, though we do not hear as yet what passed there. The Sieur *Brasser* resides here on the part of the States General of the United Provinces, and uses all endeavors possible to induce the Princes of *Luxemburgh* to Declare in favor of his Masters, but hitherto without any effect. We have advice, that the French which remained in *Heuxier* on the *Wefer*, in all about four Companies of Foot and a Troop of Horse, have now quitted that place, having broken down the Bridge which was there over the River.

*Brussels, Dec. 13.* Our Governor the Count de *Montreay* is parted hence on his way to *Tillemont*, where is appointed the Rendezvous of our Troops; The Dutch are to bring theirs to *Diest*, in order to a Conjunction, and that done, they are to march under the Command of the Count de *Montreay*, to cut off the passage of the Duke of *Luxemburgh*, as is said here. All our Letters from *Paris* tell us of the great preparations that are making there against Spring.

*Hague, Dec. 11.* Friday last about seven in the evening his Highness the Prince of *Orange*, accompanied with several persons of quality, arrived here, the Magistrates not having had sufficient notice to make him any publick Reception, but the next morning, to make good what had been omitted the day before, the Burgers, in all 13 Companies came together in Arms, and marched, Commanded by Colonel *Pieterfon*, to the Princes Court, where they were drawn up in good order; The several Captains in the mean time, together with their Colonel, went up and Complimented his Highness upon his safe return, by whom they were received with a great deal of kindness, after which the Prince came down to the Burgers, and having passed some little time with them, returned to his Apartment, whereupon the Burgers gave three Salutes, and so marched off again. His Highness hath been likewise Complimented by the several Colleges and Courts of Justice. This day his Highness was in the Council of State, where it was resolved that the Forces of this State the ensuing year, should consist in 900 Companies of Foot, and 148 Cornets of Horse.

*Hague, Dec. 15.* The Count of *Waldeck* is on his March with the Forces under his Command towards *Diest*, where he intends to leave his Forces, and to proceed in person to *Tillemont*, to meet the Count de *Montreay*, who will be there this day with the general Officers; It is said, their business is to concert together, the most effectual means to cut off the Retreat of the Duke of *Luxemburgh*. The States of *Holland* will not admit those of *Utrecht* into the Union, and much less the other Provinces that have been Conquered; The Pensionary *Kagel* is in the mean time Commanded to go to *Utrecht* to order Matters there. There is not any likelihood of coming to a conclusion at *Cologne*. This day the Prince of *Orange*, parted hence for *Breda*, and took his way by *Rotterdam*.

*Whitehall, Dec. 8.* Yesterday in the evening the Spanish Ambassador had his Audience of their Royal Highnesses at *St. James's*, to Compliment them upon their Marriage, having till then deferred it, in expectation of receiving Letters from their Majesties of *Spain*, to be at the same time presented to their Royal Highnesses on this occasion.

*Ditto*, His Majesty hath been pleased to Confer the Honour of Knighthood upon Captain *Richard Mundy*, in consideration of the eminent Service performed by him, in the Retaking *St. Helena*, and the taking at the same time, the Three Dutch *East-India* Prizes, Having been recommended to his Majesty by the Right Honourable *George Lord Berkeley* of *Berkeley*; his Lordship being known to be an Eminent Encourager of Trade, and a great Lover of Merchants and Seamen. His Majesty has likewise been pleased, being Graciously mindful of the good Services heretofore done to the Crown, by *Sir Thomas Warner* Knight Deceased, to confer the Honor of Knighthood upon his Son, *Thomas Warner*, of the *Inner Temple* Esq; as a Mark of his Royal Favor towards him.

*Ditto, Dec. 9.* His Majesty reflecting upon the great inconveniences formerly, by withdrawing the species of Money out of the several Counties of *England*, and *Wales*; and being most desirous to prevent the like for the future, and to give all possible Accommodation and Encouragement, to all His good Subjects in their Commerce and Trade, hath been Graciously pleased, to cause an Office to be Erected, under the Management of *Sir Richard Mason* Kt. *Richard Sherwin*, *William Webb*, *Bartholomew Fillingham*, and *Philip Lloyd* Esquires, situate in the *Exchange Alley*, over against the *Royal Exchange*, for return of all Monies arising from the Eighteen Months Assesment, the Hearth Duty, and Arrears of other Taxes, where any Person that will deposit Money for the like value in any County, shall have a Bill of Exchange to the Receiver there, for his satisfaction, and in case of failure, upon notice, the Money immediately paid back.

#### Advertisements.

*William Snow*, Footman to the Right Honourable *Edward Earl of Meath*, on Monday, being the first of this instant *December*, ran away, having Stollen out of his Lordships pocket forty four Guineys, and a half Guiney, besides Silver; he is a strong set Man, of a middle stature, aged about 30 years, his hair is inclining to a sandy colour, thick and short, a full face, and ruddy complexion, he has a black tooth in his under jaw, just before; whosoever can secure him, and give notice to his Lordship thereof, at his Lodging in *New Palace Yard Westminster*, shall have 3l. for his pains.

Lost the third of *December* at night, out of a Close Lighter at *Brewers Key*, one Fangot of white Cyprus Silk, in great and little scains; let any one give intelligence of either the Bayle or Scaines, to Mrs. *Elford*s Coffee-house in *George yard* in *Lombard street*, and they shall have five pounds for their reward.