

being gone hence to demand passage for them of the Canton of *Berne*, and besides these, it is said, that 4000 Horse, of the Imperial Army now on the *Rhine*, are forthwith to march towards that Country for its greater security. On Tuesday last the Prince de *Pandemont* parted hence for *Francfort*, to confer with the Duke of *Lorraine*, and from thence he will pass into the *Franche Comte*, to Command the Spanish Forces there. From *Cleves* they write, that the Council established there by the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, had resolved to send hither the Sieur *Bayen*, to endeavor to obtain a neutrality for *Rees* and *Wesel*, places formerly belonging to his Electoral Highness, but taken from the Duke by the French the beginning of this present War, and still possessed by them. And that the Baron de *Virmont*, chief Minister of the Duke of *Newburgh*, and Governor of *Fuliers* and *Dujeldorp*, was fallen into great disfavor with the Duke, and removed from all his publick Employments, though upon what occasion is not certainly said.

Dyon, Feb. 26. The 14th instant the Castle of *Pesme* surrendered to the Duke of *Navailles*, and the Garrison which consisted of 400 Italians, marched the next day towards the City of *Luxemburg*, by the way of *Largres* and of *Lorraine*, according to the Capitulation; The 23rd the Duke decamped from before *Pesme*, and marched towards *Gray*, to besiege that place, with the greater diligence, for that he had advice, that the Spaniards to frustrate his design, intended to burn down all the Villages in the neighborhood of that place; The Duke arrived there very opportunely about two in the afternoon, and immediately took his Quarters in the said Villages; That evening the Duke went with the Regiment of the Kings Cuirassiers to discover the place, and the Enemy made a Sally with part of their Cavalry, and did the French some damage, the Duke himself having received two or three pistol shots through his Hat and Cloaths; yesterday the French began to open their Trenches, intending to prosecute the Siege with all possible vigor.

Hague, March 2. Yesterday parted hence Monsieur de *Rhode* for *England*, being sent by the Prince of *Orange* to Compliment His Majesty on the subject of the Peace, and to return His Majesty thanks for his Congratulation by Sir *Gabriel Sylvius*, who continues as yet here. The Ratifications of the Peace will now very suddenly be exchanged. The Marquis de *Blagny* Brigadier of a Troop of French Cavalry, who came to discover the Fortresses of this Country, under pretence that he belonged to the Family of the Baron *Spar*, Ambassador of *Sweden*, hath been arrested and sent prisoner to the Castle of *Louvestein*. The General Officers of the Fleet, and the Deputies of the respective Admiralties are at present here about regulating the Equipage for this year, which it is now said, will only consist of 48 Capital Men of War, 20 Fireships, and other lesser Vessels proportionable; and it is the general discourse, that a Body of an Army will be put on board the Fleet, to go ashore on the Enemies Coast, if a fit opportunity happen. It is said that some alteration will be made among the Nobles of this Province, and that several who are at present Members of that Body, shall be dismissed. Several disputes having happened between the Officers of Justice, who seize French Wines, brought into this Country contrary to the late Placet of the States, and the owners thereof, the one alledging that they are French Wines, and the other, that they are Rhenish Wines mixt with French; which it is often very difficult to decide; and besides it being found that several quantities of French Wines are

imported, the Merchants procuring Certificates that they grew in *Galicia*, *Biscay*, or other parts under the Dominion of *Spain*; so that the Officers of the States hardly know how to comport themselves in these matters; It is therefore in debate, that with the concert of the Spanish Ministers, a Placet shall be forthwith issued, to prohibit the bringing in of all mixed Wines whatsoever, and that no Wines shall be reputed for Rhenish Wines, but such as grow in *Germany*, and that none shall pass for Spanish Wines, but *Canary*, *Malaga*, *Modena*, and *Malmsey* Wines. It is said, that the French have again laid aside their design against the *Franche Comte*, but with great uncertainty. Here is arrived a Gentleman from *Brussels*, and another is sent hither from hence, to make the Compliments on occasion of the Peace.

Paris, March 3. The second instant the Sieur *Spada* the Popes Nuncio, had Audience of the King at *Versailles*, when he offered, as we are told, his Majesty, the Popes Mediation in order to a general Peace. Monsieur *Schemberg*, who Commands a Body of Men between the *Sambre* and the *Meuse*, is sent for to Court, the King designing him to Command an Army of 12000 Men in *Roussillon*, to oppose the attempts of the Spaniards, who are making no inconsiderable preparations in *Catalonia*: and at the same time the King has appointed that the Duke of *Luxemburg* shall serve in stead, as Lieutenant-General to the Prince of *Conde*. It is said that the Elector of *Bavaria* has declared himself in favor of the Emperour. Here is likewise a report as if the Spaniards in the *Franche Comte*, had had some advantage over us, but it is not believed. From *Ratisbonne* of the 17th past they write, that the present debates of the Diet, related onely to the general arming of the Empire; and that the Marquis of *Baden Dowlach*, the Princes of *Bavaria*, of *Hesse*, and of *Wirtemberg*, are daily expected at *Ratisbonne* to take the Oaths of Fidelity, as Generals of the Roman Empire.

Advertisements.

☞ The Case of *Foram*; A Sermon Preached before the House of Peers, in the Abby-Church at *Westminster*, January 30. by *John* Lord Bishop of *Sarum*. Sold by *James Collins* at the Kings Arms in *Ludgate* street.

STOLEN February 24th from his Grace the Duke of *Essex*'s Lodgings at the *Cockpit*, Ten great Silver Dishes, Six Dishes of a smaller size, Twelve Dishes of another size, Seven Mazarine Plates, One Mazarine Plate of a smaller size, Ten Potage Plates, Three Cup Plates, Two Sawcers; all with his Graces Arms upon them. Whosoever can make discovery of the Persons or Place, and give notice thereof to the Porter of the *Cockpit*, shall have One hundred pounds, or proportionably to what they shall discover.

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A Gentleman who the day before Christmas last, bought at Mrs. *Pages* Shop in *Swanery* lane over against the Rolls Gate, a Laeed Cravat and Cuffs, which he paid Eighteen shillings for, and returned to the same Shop the Monday after in the evening, whose name being unknown, is earnestly desired to return to the same Shop upon business of great concern to himself.

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