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Hague, May 11, N. S.

THE Consent of the Province of Overysfel to make the Prince of Orange Stadtholder, &c. of that Province, came in this Morning; so that his most Serene Highness is now Stadtholder of the Seven Provinces. The Prince and Princess were expected here Yesterday, but as great Preparations have been made at Amsterdam for their Reception, it is supposed that they stay'd there last Night. Letters from Paris of the 8th say, that the French King's Departure was again put off for ten Days. Marshal Belleisle was set out for Provence, from whence all their Accounts gave Genoa up for Lost; and it was even reported at Paris, that that City had capitulated the 26th past. M. de Boufflers was still at Antibes on the 1st Instant, N. S. The French were going on with their Preparations to attack the Isles of St. Marguerite, and had got ready a vast Quantity of Stores of all Kinds upon the Shore to be embarked for that Enterprize. The last Letters from Hulst are of the 9th Instant, at which Time the Sandberg was not taken; but there are Reports since, that it has surrendered. The Army under M. de Saxe is not yet encamped, and the Corps commanded by Count de Clermont, Prince of the Blood, was still in the Neighbourhood of Namur.

Flushing, May 11, N. S. On Tuesday last about Noon the French having erected

a new Battery with the Cannon which they had removed, began to play very furiously upon the Sandberg, which surrendered about Three that Afternoon. The Dutch Troops threw themselves into Hulst. Lord John Murray, who, in the Absence of Major General Fuller commanded the British Troops, thereupon resolved to make the best Retreat he could to Welshoorden, which he accordingly effected, and arrived there that Night. Yesterday at Seven o'Clock his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland arrived at Welshoorden, and order'd the Troops to be embarked, which was accomplish'd with the Loss of four or five Men; the Rear having been attack'd by the French. The States of this Province have receiv'd a Letter from the Prince of Orange, wherein his Highness informs them, that he proposes to set out for Zealand after a few Days Stay in Holland.

Whitehall, May 1, 1747.

It having been represented to his Majesty, that in the Month of April last, three Anonymous Letters were wrote to *Boothby, Esq; at Ashborn in the County of Derby, containing Treasonable Expressions, and in the last of which he was threaten'd to have his House set on Fire, if he did not lay Ten Guineas at the Floodgate Bridge; His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Person or Persons concerned in writing the said Letters, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them, who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof; as also a Reward of Fifty Pounds to any Person or Persons making such Discovery as aforesaid, to be paid upon the Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.*

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