

gent, to oblige him to a Peace. Major-General *Sporke* is advanced with several Troops towards the Bishoprick of *Hildesheim*, and has demanded of the Inhabitants 100000 Crowns; whereupon, Colonel *Meltingen* who Commands in that Diocess for the Elector of *Cologne*, is retired with what force he had with him, into the City of *Piene*.

From the French Camp before Besançon, May 6.

The first instant his Majesty parted from *Gray*, accompanied by Monsieur his Brother, and came that night to *Mamay*: the next day early in the morning his Majesty proceeded on his journey, and about nine a clock the same morning arrived here. The third, his Majesty sent out the Marquis *de Genlis*, with 500 Men, to possess themselves of the Castle of *Vaux*, in which were 60 Spaniards in Garrison, who greatly incommoded our Foragers; The fourth, the Duke of *Luxemburgh* was commanded out with 3000 Foot and some Troops of Horse, with Orders to march towards *Pontarlier*, about eight Leagues from hence, for that his Majesty had advice, that Don *Francisco D'Alveyda*, Governor of this Province for the King of *Spain*, was bringing together there great numbers of the Countrey Militia, and other Troops; the same day our Artillery arrived, and immediately we begun to raise several Batteries. This night we are to open the Trenches, which we have been forced hitherto to defer, by reason of the bad weather; In the mean time the Besieged have made three Sallies upon us, and particularly one on the 29th past, which was Commanded by the Prince of *Vaudemont*.

Dufeldorp, May 8. The French Troops drawn out of the conquered places, are come to *Nuis* and *Kempen*; *Keysermaert* the French have quitted, and in a day or two will likewise leave *Nuis*, and then having together, made up a considerable Body of an Army, they will march for *Maeßtricht*, and thence proceed to joyn the Prince of *Conde* in *Flanders*.

Lisle, May 11. The Prince of *Conde* is at present at *Tour-nay*, near which place is the Rendezvous of his Army, which will in a day or two be ready to decamp; we cannot learn what their first action will be, but the general opinion is, that the Prince will endeavor to joyn the Marechal *de Bellefonds*, who is coming from *Guel-derland* with the Troops he hath drawn out of the conquered places, before he march against the Enemy, for then his Army will be reinforced to 35000 Men and upwards.

Hague, May 12. Yesterday arrived an Expres from *Brussels*, giving an account of the march of the Prince of *Conde*; upon which, the Prince of *Orange* parted the same day about four a clock in the afternoon from hence for *Brabant*, the Army being to Rendezvous on Tuesday next at *Rosendale*, not far from *Malines*. The Ambassadors designed for *England* from this State, are now ready to depart. The Men of War are not as yet all at the Rendezvous, but will be in few days. The 10 instant the *East India* Company unanimously resolved to give to his Highness, and his Heirs Males after him, Princes of *Orange*, Three per Cent. of their yearly Dividends, which they make of the Profits accruing by the Trade. The Province of *Groningen* having before the conclusion of the Peace with the Bishop of *Munster*, made a particular suspension of Arms with the said Bishop, it hath been resolved, that in the next Assembly of the States General, they shall be called to an account for the same, being contrary to the Treaty of the Union. We expect every hour to hear of the conclusion of the Treaty with the Elector of *Cologne*, and some report, that Letters are this day arrived, which say that it is concluded.

Marseilles, May 1. The 27th past sailed from hence eight French Men of War and four Frisships, Commanded by Monsieur *de Vivonne*, having under their Convoy about 20 sail of Merchantmen bound for *Haure de Grace*, *St. Malo's*, and other parts of *France*, in their way they are to joyn with four Frigats more, who are now cruising on the Coast of *Spain*. By a Barque lately arrived from *Tangier* we have advice, That his Excellency the Earl of *Middleton*, Governor of that place, hath made a very advantageous Peace with the Emperor of *Morocco*, in which, *Sally* is particularly included, but that the Articles were not at the coming away of the said Barque, arrived from *Fez*, though they had news of the final conclusion of them. About the latter end of this month, 20 Gallies will be ready to sail from hence.

Paris, May 12. The continual Rains that have of late fallen, have, as we hear, very much hindred the progress of his Majesties Arms before *Besançon*, and is the reason that the Trenches were not opened till the 6 instant at night; The besieged hitherto defend themselves well, and have made several Sallies, though without any great advantage to either party. It is said here, That the Crown of *Spain* and its Allies have accepted of the Mediation of His Majesty of *Great Britain*, in order to a general Peace. Some Letters lately arrived from *Poland*, have occasioned much discourse here, as if there were a great disposition amongst the Senators and Nobility of that Kingdom, to elect the Prince of *Conde* to be their King. Our Letters of the second instant from the *Lower Alsatia* inform us, That Monsieur *de Turenne* having advice, that the Duke of *Lorraine* met with great difficulties in his passage through the Countrey of *Wirtemberg*, towards *Rhinfelden*, and on the other side, that the Elector Palatine did Assemble, as well his own, as the Auxiliary Troops at *Proussel* on the other side of the *Rhine* within three Leagues of *Philipsbourg*, with intention either to attempt that place, or give the French a diversion in *Alsatia*; The said Monsieur *de Turenne* hereupon, having first shut up the passages between *Rhinfelden*, and *Pourventry*, in the *Franche Comie*, was returned with the remaining Troops towards the Palatinate, to observe the motion of things there. At the same time we are informed, that the Swissers have been greatly alarmed, upon Monsieur *de Turennes* coming with his Troops into the Bishoprick of *Basle*. We have just now advice, That the Duke of *Lorraine* was arrived at *Fribourg*, and that his Troops were entered into the Countrey of *Brisgaw*, having taken their way thither through the Territory of the Duke of *Wirtemberg*; and that it was therefore thought, that Monsieur *de Turenne*, instead of marching towards the Palatinate, would pass the *Rhine* at *Erlack*, and so go to oppose the march of the said Duke. Our Letters from *Heydelberg* give us an account, That the Elector Palatine will have an Army of 20000 Men under his Command: The Queen with the *Dauphin* continue at *Dijon*.

Advertisements.

Lost on Tuesday the 5 instant at the Globe Tavern in *Fleet-Street*, or betwixt that and *St. Jones's*, a Diamond Locket; If any person shall give notice thereof to Mr. *Pinceny*, Goldsmith, at the 3 Squirrels over against *St. Dunstons Church* in *Fleetstreet*, he shall be very well rewarded for his pains.

These are to give notice to all Merchants, and others whom it may concern, That these Lace-Men that formerly did lye before the Fire at the Kings Head in the *Old-Change*, who sell fine rich black Lace for Hoods, Scarfs, Gowns, and Sutes, do now lye at the Saracens Head in *Friday Street*, and are to be spoke with every Monday and Tuesday.