

which was in the Rear of his Army, thought it was time to shift for themselves, and the Waggoners in a great fright, cut their Horses loose from their Wagons to escape with them, which occasioned a great confusion; but that our Army facing about, gave a stop to the Enemy, and had with them so smart an Engagement; that the Prince of Orange was for two hours mingled among the French, where most of those that were about him were killed or wounded; that in the mean time the Germans who had the Van, came down upon the French, and so the Fight Continued with a great slaughter of men on both sides till night, when it is said the French retreated to their Camp; We have lost on our side about 4000 men, many Officers of note we hear are killed and wounded, and others are yet missing.

Hague, August 17. On Tuesday last arrived here a Servant of the Count of Waldecke, to give the Countess an account of the condition of his Lord; the States not having as yet received any Letters from the Prince of Orange, sent for the said Person, who being come into their Assembly as we are told, reported; that our Armies being on Saturday last on their march towards Binch, the French fell upon their Rear Commanded by the Marquis d'Assentart, the Duke de Villa Hermosa, the Prince Vaudemont, &c. and forcing them to retreat through a narrow way; which they could only pass in Files, put them into a great confusion; That the French had already taken and pillaged our Baggage, when the Prince of Orange and afterwards the Germans came down and engaged the Enemy; the Fight was very furious and continued till night, when the French were forced to retreat to their Camp, Our Troops remaining Masters of the Field. The Prince of Orange was in great danger, having for a long time been engaged amongst the Enemy; The Count Waldecke is wounded in several places, having been beaten off his Horse, and must certainly have been lost had he not been suddenly rescued, the Colonels Languerack, Fulk, Poolens, Veerssen, &c. are killed; Monsieur Overkerke who commanded the Prince's Horse-Guards is wounded in the Head, and many others whose names we have not as yet. The Prince of Orange has written a short Letter to his Grandmother the Princess Dowager, and in such General terms that we cannot gather any thing from thence more than is already said. From the Camp before Grave they write, that they had now for several days fired from three Batteries against the Town; but that the Continual Rains which have fallen of late do very much hinder our Works.

Paris, August 18. The Letters from the Prince of Conde's Camp at Picon tell us, that the 11 instant the Prince of Conde having notice that the Enemy were on their march from their Quarters near Senef towards Binch or Mariemont, resolved to attack them, and having caused the Troops of the Kings Household, excepting the Dragoones, to advance, as likewise the left wing of the first and second Line, the Regiments of Navarre, of the Queen, of La Fere, and the Fuzills with 5 or 6 pieces of Canon, put himself at the head of the Guards du Corps with the Dukes of Luxemburg and Navailles, the Marquis de Roebfort, and the Chevalier de Fourilles Lieutenant Generals and taking his way on the right hand of the Village Senef marched directly towards the Enemies Rear-guard, which was composed of 28 or 30 Squadrons of Spanish and Dutch Horses, the Prince having at the same time Commanded Monsieur de Montal to march with the Infantry, and attack the Church at Senef, where the Enemy had put a body of Infantry. The Prince being come near the Enemy, who were very advantageously posted, for on their left hand they had a great Hedge, and on their right a Morass,

draw his Troops up in Battalia, and Charged the Enemy so vigorously that they were soon routed, and those that were not killed or taken Prisoners were forced to retreat in great confusion to their Vanguard which was posted about half a Dutch mile from the place where the first attack was, on a Hill beyond the Prioory of St. Nicholas, there being near it several Gardens enclosed with Ditches and Hedges, in which the Prince of Conde observing, that the Enemy, who from the Hill saw all that passed, had put a great body of Infantry to favor a Retreat, advanced thither, and having stretched out his Cavalry on the right and left as far as the Ground would permit made a halt near the said Gardens and sent Orders to his Infantry, who were come from forcing the Church at Senef, and cutting in pieces the Dutch Troops that were there, to advance with all diligence; accordingly being come up they Attacked the Enemy who after a very furious Engagement begun to give Ground, upon which the Prince of Conde being at the head of the third Squadrons of Guards de Corps, commanded the Chevalier de Fuirilles to advance with the two first Squadrons and charge the said Infantry, which he performed so well that he broke them all to pieces; in this conjuncture the rest of the Guards, the Gens d'Arms and the Kings light Horse arrived from our Camp, and they with the Rest of our Troops advanced to charge the Enemy, who had drawn themselves up in Battalia behind the Village Fay, whither they had retreated after having abandoned their Baggage which were burnt and pillaged by our men; the Fight was very hot and obstinate, and so lasted till night, which obliged both parties to a cessation, and the Enemy to leave us Masters of the Field; Our Troops continued in the same Post, except our Cavalry, who took a more commodious Ground; and the next morning early returned to their Camp which was two Leagues from thence: the Enemy being marched retreating towards Heuves St. Pierre. and Heuves St. Paul.

The Prince of Conde had three Horses killed under him; the Duke d'Enguien, the Marquis de Roebfort, the Chevalier de Fourilles, the Count de Montal, the Marquis de Villeroy, the Count de Coningsmark, the Prince of Soubize, and others, whose names we have not yet, are wounded; The Enemies have had 5 of their Regiments entirely defeated, and many others killed, and many taken prisoners, to the number of 200 Officers of Note; the Cheifare, the Duke of Hofferst, Duke of Villa Hermosa, Count de Merode, young Count of Nassau, Prince of Salme, Prince of Aremberg, &c. We have taken a great many Colours and Standards, and burnt and pillaged above 2000 Baggage Waggon, in which we took 300000 Crowns in ready Money.

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