

The Elector of Brandenburg has many Soldiers under pay, but at present divided; his intentions, as likewise the Duke of Lüneburg's, not fully known: However, the Swedes are obliged to keep their Guards more strict than ordinary before Bremen with very strong Fortifications. What the Neighbouring Princes intend, is not yet known, but the relief of Bremen, is not so confidently talk'd of as formerly.

Wurtzburg, Octob. 2. We are not here without hopes of putting an end to these unhappy differences, of which the Countreys on both parties have been sufficiently sensible by the great spoils and ravages made upon them. Some appearance we have of the speedy meeting of the Referres in order to a Peace. This day arriv'd here Monsieur Bouchel, an assistant to the Swedes Commissioners. Monsieur Nicvius, Grand Commissioner from the Crown of Sweden, is on his way, and is every day expected here.

Monsieur Courtin the Plenipotentiary from France, is arriv'd at Heildelberg, and is likewise expected here this night. The place agreed upon for their Treating upon the Compromise, is Heilbrunn. In the mean time, by the inhibitory Letters from his Imperial Majesty, all Acts of Hostility are to cease on both sides, which we hope will oblige the Lorrainers to make no further advance into the Countrey.

These are to give notice, That as well the Courts of Arches and Admiralty, as also, the Courts of Pre-rogative of Canterbury, and Delegates, and the Publick Informations, in all Causes depending in, or relating to the said Courts, are by order of the King and Council to be held, setled, and kept in the Earl of Exeters-House (commonly called Exeter-House) situate in the Strand, in the County of Middlesex; And that all Processes issuing out of the said respective Courts, be returnable thither as formerly they were in any other places. Whereof, all persons any ways concerned therein, are hereby required to take notice.

In the same place likewise are kept, the Vicar-Generals Office, and the Faculty Office (formerly kept near Doctors Commons.)

These are to certify, That the Kentish and Suffex Post-Office, formerly kept at the Round-House in Love-lanes, is now removed to the House of Mr. John Dyne, in the Passage to and from Tower-Hill, near the Pump in Crucher-Fryers.

The First-Fruits Office is kept in Coney-Court in Grays-Inn, and will open on Munday the Eighth day of October instant, 1666.

The Porter will further inform you.

Hague, Octob. 11. The last Letters from our Fleet are of the eighth, and tell us, That immediately upon the English appearing to engage them, having been separated by a violent storm, which continued till the fifth. *Vin Nesse* was that day come to an Anchor, eight Leagues off of the *Maes*, with some part of the Fleet, the rest under *Barkart* they had no account of, but believed them towards the coast of *Zeland*. That the seventh, about six or seven at night, one of their ships was seen on fire, but suppos'd to be but a Fireship; That off of the *Maes* had been met a great Wreck, and one other off of *Zeland*; as also four or five great Hulls off of *Scheveling*, without Masts or Rigging, endeavoring what they could to avoid the coast: All which we hope to be English. However the *Raadt Pensionary* had advised as best for the Fleet to keep yet awhile the Sea; But the States is said, have resolv'd on Thursday last to call them home, considering the dangers of this season of the year. In the mean time, two of our *East-India* ships, and several of our *East-Land* Merchants remain at Sea, having been forced off by the violence of the late storms, and with what further fortune, we yet know not.

Ditto, Octob. 13. Our last Letters of the eleventh instant from *Amsterdam*, inform us of three of our *India* ships richly laden that were come into the *Wly*, but a fourth of them was certainly lost, being sunk to the bottom before *Ameland*, and all her Merchandise drowned: Which loss to the Com-

being usually about eleven in all, were separated by Storms, and no certain news as yet brought us where, or in what condition they are, and we much fear to hear news of them from *Scotland*.

De Witte is still with the Fleet about the height of *Dun-kirk*, and by his Letters of the eighth instant to the States, informs them of the ill condition of their Fleet, by reason of the great storm they met with, six of their ships being quite ruined, one of his own Masts torn down by the violence of the wind: That one of their Fireships accidentally burnt down, and two other Ships of War of their Fleet ran in the *Neufe* rather (as he guesses) through some treasonable design, then forced in by ill weather, which he desires may be examined.

Monsieur *Buar* on Saturday the ninth instant, received sentence to be beheaded, and was accordingly executed the seventh following, upon a Scaffold erected for him in the most publick place of the Town, attended by a strong Guard of four Companies of foot, and four Troops of horse, the better to prevent any disorders that might happen thereupon. Captain *Jan Van Amstel* is sitting up his ship, being as 'tis said, with a Squadron of 20 Men of War, and the assistance of some *Capers*, to keep the Sea the most part of the *Winters*, to cruise upon the coasts, and to secure their Merchants in their Trade with *Norway* and *Hamburg*.

Paris, Octob. 9. The first instant *Francois de Beauvillier*, Count de *Sery*, eldest son of the Duke de *St. Aignau* dyed in this City, in the 26 year of his Age, his body was brought the third instant into the *Capechins* Church, in the street *St. Honoré*, where 'tis to continue for some time, and afterwards to be transported to *St. Aignau*, to be buried with his Ancestors.

An Edict for Notifications will be suddenly publish'd, by which all Decrees, Sentences, as likewise all Obligations and other Acts shall be enter'd into a Publick Register, paying only five Sols for each Act, which will amount to so considerable a Revenue, that already a Million has been offer'd to be advanced upon it.

Castle-Corner, October 7. A Vessel just now arriv'd from *St. Maloe's*, informs us of the return of the French Fleet to *Brest*, but extremely disorder'd and damaged by the late stormes, in which two of their Men of War were cast away upon the Coast of *Bretagne*, and another very much disabled, forced into *Havre de Grace*, nor had they much better fortune in their going out from *Belle-Isle* for the Channel, a great part of their Fleet having been some time a ground, and one of their greatest ships (suppos'd to be the *Breze*) quite lost.

Southwold, October 4. Yesterday pass'd by this Town above an Hundred sail of laden Colliers, under good Convey, with a fair gale making Southwards, no Enemy having appear'd in their way to give them disturbance.

Whitehal, October 7. Friday the Fifth at night arriv'd here His Highness Prince *Robert*, having left His Majesties Fleet, after all the difficulties of the late stormy weather, in a very good condition at the Buoy in the *Nore*, and was received by their Majesties, with all imaginable demonstrations of affection and esteem.

Wheres a very Slanderous and false Report hath been lately spread abroad by some malicious and ill-affected Persons, that there is an intent to raise the value of the *Coyne* of this Kingdom, and advance the present Rate and worth thereof; which scandalous Report, besides the falseness and untruth that is in it, may in this conjuncture of time, much prejudice the Publick Affairs and course of Trade, by discompeing the minds of His Majesties good Subjects, and creating causeless suspicion and jealousies in them.

His Majesty therefore being much displeas'd with, and having taken great indignation against the Authors and Spreaders abroad of this Seditious and False Report, as Disturbers of the Publick Peace, and Enemies to His Majesties Government. Hath given Order to the Lord Mayor of the City of *London*, and doth require all other Majors, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, and other Officers, diligently to inquire after such persons, and to secure them, to be proceeded against according to the nature and merit of so great an offence.