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Vienne, Octob. 19.
Yesterday arrived here the Electoral Prince of Brandenburg, and this day had Audience of the Emperor; It is said, his coming is on occasion of some differences between the Generals of the Confederate Troops near *Strasbourg*; the chief Command whereof will be given to the Elector of Brandenburg. To-morrow the Extraordinary Ambassador of Sweden will make his publick Entry here.

Coblenz, Octob. 18. The 13 instant the Elector of Brandenburg passed the *Rhine* at *Strasbourg*, with his Army, which consists in 10000 Men, and his Artillery in 47 pieces of Cannon, and two Mortar-pieces; the next day he drew up his Army in Battalia, in the presence of the Generals of the Imperial, Lorraine, and Lunenburg Troops, whom he afterwards entertained at Dinner; Our Letters dated the 15 at *Strasbourg*, tell us, That the Confederates, who together make a Body of 30000 Men, were on their march towards Monsieur de *Turenne*, who was encamped at *Marleym*, about three Leagues from *Strasbourg*, so that we are in much expectation to hear of some great action, and the rather, for that we have news by some Gentlemen come from *Strasbourg*, that the Armies were already within sight of one another, when they left that place. There be some Letters from the Confederates Camp which seem to say, that the backwardness of the Duke of *Bourbonville* in the late Battle of *Erfheim*, to engage the Imperial Troops, notwithstanding those of *Lunenburg* were so hard put to it, has occasioned great jealousy of him among the other Generals; though on the other side it is said, that the ground would not permit them to come into Fight, and second the *Lunenburgs*, as they intended.

Strasbourg, Octob. 19. The Confederates having since the 15 instant, lain within a League or thereabouts of the Prince of *Turenne*'s Camp at *Marleym*, and having in a Council of War resolved to attack him in his Post, yesterday they decamped, whereupon Monsieur de *Turenne* likewise left his Quarters, and marched nearer to *Saverne*; This morning, according to the advice we receive at this instant, the two Armies were almost within sight of each other, so that we are still in expectation to hear of a Battle. On Saturday last the *Marschal de Crequi* joynd Monsieur de *Turenne* with 6000 Gentlemen of the *Arriercaban*, and we are told that in few days Monsieur de *Turenne* expects another reinforcement, under the Command of the *Marquis de Genlis*: On Monday last arrived here the Elector Palatine, and the next day went to the Army; This morning the Electoral Prince Palatine passed our Bridge with 1500 Horse, and followed his Father. The 4000 Men of the Duke of *Zell* are just now likewise passing the *Rhine*.

Cologne, Octob. 19. Several Passengers arrived from *Bon*, give us an account, that the Imperialists have lately ceased to work on the Fortifications there, and that at the same time, by order of the Elector of *Cologne* they begun to repair his Palace in that City, where

his Electoral Highness did formerly constantly reside, from whence most people argue, that the Treaty of Accommodation between the Emperor and his Electoral Highness is, in a fair way to be concluded; which our last Letters from *Vienne* gave us some farther encouragement to believe; and add, that Prince *Willem* of *Furstenberg* had been brought thither prisoner from *Newstadt* and that the general report was, that his affairs were in an ill posture.

Ditto, Octob. 23. Our Letters from *Strasbourg* dated the 19 instant, advise, That the 15 instant, the Confederates decamped from their Quarters near *Strasbourg*, and marched towards Monsieur de *Turenne*, who was posted at *Marleym*; and that they approached so near the French Camp, as to be able to shoot into it from a Cannon; That the 18, the Armies were drawn up in Battalia on both sides, so that it was expected they would have engaged, but they did not; That the next Morning, Monsieur de *Turenne* decamped, and retreated somewhat farther off, but that at the coming away of these Letters, the two Armies were so near each other, that it was thought they could not avoid fighting. Our Letters from *Vienne* tell us, That the Process against the Prince of *Furstenberg* was carried on with great earnestness, and that it was thought they would in few dayes proceed to pass sentence against him. That the Secretary of the Prince *Idorais* first Minister of State in that Court, had been apprehended, and that his Papers having been examined, several matters have been discovered, in which four or five principal persons of Quality are concerned. The same Letters add, That the Emperour has recalled the Count de *Souches*, and given the Command of his Army to General *Sporke*, till such time as the Count de *Montecuculi* arrives at it, who is to have the Supreme Command of his Imperial Majesty's Forces; but it is generally thought that *Montecuculi* will not go to the Army till Spring, in case the War continue, which in the mean time is to be Commanded by General *Sporke*.

Nancy, Octob. 23. The 13 and 14 instant the Troops of the Elector of Brandenburg passed the *Rhine* at *Strasbourg*, and joynd with the other Confederates; The 17 Monsieur de *Crequi* arrived, and joynd Monsieur de *Turenne* with 48 Squadrons of Cavalry; the 19 the Confederates quitted their quarters near *Strasbourg*, and marched towards *Vanzey*, as if they had designed upon *Haguenaw*, which obliged Monsieur de *Turenne* to decamp likewise, and to go and post himself near *Ochfeldt* about an hours march from *Haguenaw*; The 25 or 26 the *Marquis de Genlis* is expected to arrive at *Saverne* with the Forces under his Command. We have just now advice that Monsieur de *Turenne* and the Confederates are within two Leagues of each other, so that there must needs happen some suddain action between them.

Brussels, Octob. 23. The Inhabitants of the Countrey of *Liege*, observing how the Germans have lived this Summer in these Countreys, seem to apprehend nothing more, then that they will come and Winter amongst them, to avoid which, they have made several Propositions to General *Souches*, and have offered him