

elle, his most Christian Majesty's late Resident at
ence, arrived here on Monday last, and the next
day continued his journey towards France.

Brussels Dec. 21. Last night arrived our Letters
from Spain, which tell us of the settlement of his Ma-
jesty's Household, which according to the general opi-
on, was not intended to have been made as yet, but
that some things happening, hastened it; The Admi-
ral of Castile is made Master of the Horse to his Ma-
jesty, the Duke d'Albuquerque, Great Master of the
Household, and the Duke de Medina Celi, Chamber-
lain of the Household; and that besides these, seven new
Counsellors of State have been made; viz. The Pre-
sident of Castile, Don Pedro d'Arragon, the Prince
d'Asturias, the Duke de Cordoua, the Duke d'Ossuna,
the Duke d'Alva, and the Marquis de los Balbaces.
We are making preparations here against Spring,
though they cannot be very great, this Country hav-
ing suffered so much this Campaign. It is reported
here at Court, that the Messineses begin to be re-
duced to such great straits, that they will be forced, as
is thought here, to accommodate Matters with the Spa-
niards very suddenly.

Paris, Dec. 25. We are very barren here of all kind
of news, for these Countreys at present do not afford
any, and our Letters from Germany are likewise very
empty; the march of a Body of the Confederates to-
wards Burgundy, being all they give us an account of.
We hear from Luxemburg, that the Prince of Chimay,
Governor of that Province, is in a fair way of recov-
ery. Our Letters from Spain say, that Don Juan of
Austria refuses still to accept of the Government of
these Provinces, which hath, it seems, been offered him
by the Queen Regent, because her Majesty thinks not
fit to grant him so large a Power, to be exercised by
him in this Government, as he demands; from whence
many argue, he has no mind to leave Spain.

Paris, Dec. 22. According to our last advices from
Lorraine, Monsieur de Turonne having advice, that the
Duke of Lorraine with his own, and some of the Bran-
denburg Troopes was marched towards the Franche
Comte, he was gone with part of his Army after him,
to prevent whatever designe he may have in hand.
Some days since dyed at Rouen, the Earl of Claren-
don, formerly Lord Chancellor of England. Great
diligence is used in the preparations that are making
against the next Campaign, for hitherto appear but
small signes of Peace.

Hague, Dec. 23. On Saturday last the States of Hol-
land separated, and the several Deputies are gone
home, to consult their respective Principals, concern-
ing the next years Equipage, which at their next Sess-
ion they are finally to come to a resolution in. But
in the meane time, to secure our Trade, which is very
much disturbed in the Channel, by the French Pri-
vateers; We are told that a Squadron of 12 Men of War
will be set out to cruize in the Channel, and that a
like Squadron will be sent into the Mediterranean, as
well to protect our Merchantmen in those parts, as
to be assisting to the Spaniards against the Messineses.
Count Waldeck hath some days since held a Council
of War at his House, by order of the Prince of Orange,
at which was present 13 Colonels, to consult about
Matters relating to the next Campaign. It is said, that
amongst other things, the Count told them, that his
Highness expected they should have their several Regi-
ments compleat against the end of April. We do not now
any more talk of the march of the Swedes, the gene-
ral opinion being, that that Crown has not any inten-
tion to become a Party in the present War. The Earl
of Ossory, and the Earl of Arlington are still here, ex-
pecting only a favourable wind, in order to their re-
turn for England; the 21 instant they were Treated

at Dinner by Lieutenant-Admiral Van Tromp, as they
had been before by all the chiefest Persons of Quar-
ters here. On Thursday next Prince Maurits of Nassau
parts hence to his Government of Utrecht.

Whitehall, Dec. 19. His Majesty having been pleas-
ed at His Entertainment at Guildhall, the 29 of Octo-
ber last, the day when the Right Honourable Sir Ro-
bert Viner, Knight and Baronet, took his Oath, as
Lord Mayor of the City of London, most Graciously and
Freely to condescend to the acceptance of the Freedom
of London, in the Chamberlains Office, from the
hands of Sir Thomas Player, Chamberlain; the Lord
Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons in Common Coun-
cil, unanimously agreed to testify their deepest sense
of so unparalleled a Favour and Honour done to the
City, beyond the example of all his Progenitors; And
accordingly the Lord Mayor having first obtained
His Majesty's leave, did, with the Aldermen and
Common Council, attend His Majesty yesterday morn-
ing in the Banqueting House, where the said Lord
Mayor Sir Robert Viner, with the Chamberlain kneel-
ing by him, in the name of the City of London, did
Present his Majesty with the Copy of the Freedom
of the City, curiously written on Velvet, and adorn-
ed with Gilding after the best manner, in a large
square Box of Massy Gold, the Seal of the said Free-
dom hanging at it, enclosed in a Box of Gold, set all
over with large Diamonds, to a considerable value,
which His Majesty was pleased Graciously to accept,
with many Expressions of great kindness to the City.
At which time also, the following Address in Writing
was presented to His Majesty.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty,

WE Your Majesties most Loyal and Obedient
Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, and
Commons of the City of London, in Com-
mon Council Assembled, being truly sensible of the
many transcendent Favours we have received from
Your Majesty, especially in Your late most obliging
voluntary Condescension, in taking upon you the
Freedom of Your Royal City of London, by which
Your Majesty hath raised up this ancient Corporation
to that height of Credit, which is never yet received
from any of Your Majesties Royal Ancestors;

Do in the most Humble manner, prostrate our
selves at Your Majesties Royal Feet, and there offer
up our most Dutiful, and Grateful Acknowledgements
of that, and all other your Majesties Signal and
Eminent Acts of Grace and Favour, and this our so-
lemn Profession, that we shall never be wanting, with
our Lives and Estates to pay Your Majesty that Love
Honour, Duty, and Service, which the most obliged of
Subjects ought, and we are possibly able to evidence.

His Majesty hath Commanded that Notice be given,
that after Tuesday the 24 instant, all times of
Healing for the Evil, are put off until the beginning
of Lent, as alway hath been accustomed at this time
of the year.

Advertisements.

The Royall Stiptick Liquor (the vertue whereof for stopping
blood both inwardly and outwardly hath been sufficiently
approved) together with directions for the use of it; are to be
had at the following places, viz. at Mr. Garaway his Coffee-
house in Exchange Alley in Cornhill, at Mr. Collins his Shop at
the Temple-gate, at Mr. Morgans shop in Henrietta-street, and
at Mrs. Michels shop in Westminster Hall.

Friday the 18 instant, a Light Gray middle-sized Pack
Horse, with a Pack-saddle and Cloth, wherein was a
small Trunk, a Box, and several other Parcels, taken from
James Pennington, a Lancashire Carrier, by one who goes by the
name of Fletcher, in a White Stuff Coat, being about 30 years
of age. If any one can secure either Man, Horse, or Goods,
and give notice to the Master of the Castle Inn in great Wood
street, they shall be very well rewarded.