

of Bevern left this Town for the Rest of the Winter. The purple Fever is very rife here, and several Soldiers of that Regiment having died of it, is the Reason of their going into other Quarters for the Benefit of the Air. Yesterday in the Afternoon his Prussian Majesty, and the Princes his Brothers, went on Horseback to meet some Squadrons of the Regiment of Cavalry of Rochau, so that whole Regiment is now quartered in this City. The Regiment of his Majesty's Life-Guards, into which that of the Saxon Horse-Guards is incorporated, is also expected here.

*Dresden, Feb. 27.* Last Week a Skirmish happened at Ostritz in Upper Lusatia, between Littau and Gorlitz, which amounted to no more than this; a small Body of Austrian Irregulars made a fresh Attempt to surprize a Battalion of Prince Henry's Regiment quartered there; but as yet we have not learned for certain which Party suffered most. Yesterday Morning the King's Pleasure was signified to all the Saxon Officers, who were allowed to be here on their Parole, as Prisoners of War, that they should leave this City by the 11th of next Month, and repair to the different Places assigned them in Saxony. These Orders of his Prussian Majesty are thought very prudent, as it would appear very unnatural for them to be here, as so many Spies, at a Time when the most serious Dispositions are making for opening the Campaign. The Wives of the Prussian Officers and Soldiers, who came to visit their Husbands in their Winter Quarters, are also ordered to return to their respective Habitations by the Beginning of next Month.

*Brussels, March 1.* Dispositions are making here, and in the other Places of the Austrian Dominions, for the Passage of the French Troops, which, it is positively said, will begin their March by two Battalions at a Time, on the 16th Instant, in three Columns: The first through Binch Town, on the 21st; the second through Binche towards the Maese; and the third through the Dutchy of Luxembourg. Their Commissaries are now dispersed all over the Country. Neither the Commander in Chief, nor the other General Officers who are to be employed in this Army, are yet appointed. But the latter End of last Week the French King raised to the Rank of Marshals of France, the eight following Lieutenants General, viz. the Marquis de Senneckerre, M. de Maubourg, the Duke de Mirepoix, the Duke de Biron, Lord Clare, the Duke de Luxembourg, Comte d'Estrées, and M. de Lautrec.

*Brussels, March 4.* The General, who is to have the Command in Chief of the French Army, is not yet declared; but Part of the other General Officers, and the *Marechaux des Logis* have received their Orders for marching,

and some of them are even to be in Motion To-morrow, to make the necessary Preparations for the Passage of those Troops, the first of which are to set out on the 16th Instant. The Body of Austrians, which is to join them, is to consist of four Battalions, viz. one of Ligne, one of Los Rios, one of Saxe Gotha, and one of Salm.

*Brussels, March 8.* The Troops which are to compose the French Army that is to assemble on the Lower Rhine, will amount to 65 Battalions, and 30 Squadrons, making in all 49325 Men. The four Battalions of Austrians, which are to join this Army, are to be commanded by Major General Dombasse.

#### Navy Office, February 22, 1757.

*The Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, that on Wednesday the 23d of next Month, at Ten o'Clock in the Morning precisely, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as are willing to serve into His Majesty's Stores at Deptford, a Quantity of English Canvas, that they may attend with their Proposals at that Time. And such Persons as are resident in the Country, and do not chuse to attend on the Day of Treaty, will, by sending a Letter to the said Commissioners, tendering their Quantities and lowest Prices, be entitled to an equal Proportion with other Persons, provided their Demands are as reasonable: And such Persons as intend to treat for the several Sorts of Canvas used in the Navy, from No 1 to No 8 inclusive, are to take Notice, that it is expected they fall in their Prices on the several Numbers according to custom, which they are to signify their approval of in their Tenders.*

#### Victualling Office, March 7, 1757.

*The Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Wednesday the 20th of April next, exactly at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, they will be ready to treat for a Quantity of Wine, to be delivered to His Majesty's Ships at Oporto, Corunna, Vigo, and Viana.*

*The Conditions of the Contracts may be seen at the Secretary's Office at the Victualling Office, London; or by applying to His Majesty's Consuls at Oporto and Corunna.*

#### Victualling Office, March 7, 1757.

*The Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, that on Friday the 22d of April next, exactly at Twelve o'Clock at Noon, they will be ready to treat with such Persons as are inclinable to undertake the Victualling such of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels as shall arrive at Milford Haven, and be in Want of Provisions.*

*The Conditions of the Contract may be seen at the Secretary's Office at the Victualling Office, London; or by applying to the Collector of His Majesty's Customs at Haverford West.*

#### Merchant Seamen's Office, Royal Exchange.

*A Quarterly General Court of the President and Governors for Relief and Support of Sick, Maimed, and Disabled Seamen, and of the Widows of such who shall*