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Warsaw, Feb. 9.

After all the joy which the news of *Dorofensko's* having surrendered himself to the King, had occasioned in all parts of this Kingdom, for that it is the only thing that can establish the publick Peace; our last Letters from *Lemburg* give us cause to suspect, that the said *Dorofensko*, hath not been sincere in his proceedings with his Majesty, and that what he did, was only out of fear, seeing himself destitute of all help, but that as well the Turks as the Tartars having since promised to stand by and protect him, he begins to delay the completing his accommodation with the King by starting of new difficulties. His Majesty we hear, having had lately advice of the march of 15000 *Tartars*, he resolved likewise to march towards them, and to fight them, but the *Tartars* removed farther off, and as we since understand, are gone to joyn with 40000 more. Commanded by *Nura-in Sultan*. The Polish Commissioners, appointed to Treat with those of *Moscovy*, not having been able to conclude a perpetual Peace (as we here call it) have contented themselves to prolong onely the Truce, at present subsisting between the two Nations, till 1678, and so are parted.

Vienna, Feb. 10. The 8 instant parted hence the Count of *Oxenferne*, Ambassador Extraordinary of *Sweden*, having the day before received a final Declaration on the part of his Imperial Majesty, concerning the matter of the Peace. His Imperial Majesty has already appointed his Plenipotentiaries for the Treaty, viz. The Count de *Conzingssee*, Vice-Chancellor of the Empire, the Baron de *Goes*, and Doctor *Fischer*. Yesterday General *Cops* begun his journey towards *Grosglogaw* in *Silesia*, where he will upon his arrival, have a Body of 10000 Men together, which if there be occasion, are to be reinforced with other Troops from hence, besides those which the Elector of *Saxony* will send to joyn with them.

Stein, Feb. 19. General *Wrangel* continues still here. Yesterday passed through this place several Regiments, taking their way towards *Stargard*, where is appointed the General Rendezvous; we are told, that there will be together 22 Regiments of Foot, 10 of Horse, and two of Dragoons, with a Train of Artillery, composed of near 100 pieces of Canon.

Cologne, Feb. 26. Our Letters from *Strasburg* and other parts, bring us not any thing of news, the several Parties being in their Winter Quarters, to recruit, and make all other necessary Provision for the next Campaigne. It is said, as if some Regiments of Horse of the Imperial Troops were to march towards the *Meuse*, to reinforce those that have their Quarters in the Country of *Liege*, where they are frequently disturbed by the French. The Bishop of *Munster* we hear, makes great complaints of the ill Treatment his Troops received in *Alsacia*, for that of 6000 Men, which he sent thither to joyn with the other Confederates, hardly 1500 are come back. According to our advices from *Vienna*, General *Montecuculi* will be suddenly in these parts, to take upon him the Supreme Command of the Imperial Army.

Heydelberg, Feb. 23.

We are told that his Electoral Highness has advice, that a Party of 150 Foot, having marched out of *Lautern*, under the Command of the Sieur *Silvester*, with designe to surprize *St. Avaux* in *Lorraine*, the 16 instant being arrived near the place, they put themselves in a certain Wood that was hard by, and there continued all night; that the next morning they marched directly to the Town, and entered it, after some resistance of the Garrison, who being surprized, had not time to put themselves into the posture necessary for their defence; besides those that were killed on the part of the Enemy, which are said to be a Captain of Horse, a Lieutenant of Foot, and 70 Soldiers, the Governor of the place, two Lieutenants, and two Cornets were taken prisoners, with some other Officers, and about 100 common Soldiers: Our Men having pillaged all they could meet with of consideration, are returned to *Lauterne*. Several reports having been spread abroad, as if there was a Treaty on foot between the most Christian King and his Electoral Highness, for accommodating Matters between them, his Electoral Highness has commanded strict search to be made after the Authors of those reports, to the end they may be exemplarily punished. The Elector of *Bavaria* continues to draw his Forces together on his Frontiers, in which some say, his intention is, to have an Army ready; that he may be the better able to maintain the Neutrality, whilst the other party will have, that his Electoral Highness resolves to declare for the Emperor.

Hague, March 1. The 25 past Don *Emanuel de Lyra* returned hither from *Brussels*, and since has had several Conferences with the Imperial Minister, the Heer *Krampricht*, and the Deputies of this State, as well about matters relating to the approaching Campaigne, as the pitching upon a place of Congress; and we are told that there seems some likelihood, that at the instance of His Majesty of *Great Britain*, by his Minister here, the Allies may agree to *Nimogen*, which it is not doubted but the most Christian King will likewise accept of, and so the Negotiation may very suddenly be set on foot. His Highness the Prince of *Orange* is expected here within three or four days at farthest; the Elector of *Brandenburg* we are confidently told will come to *Cleves*, and that there will be a Conference there between him and the Prince of *Orange*, about the conjunction of their Forces; the Prince of *Orange* will with his Army be in the Field, as is said here, about the middle of April; The traine of Artillery being ordered to be ready to march against the first of that month. The 25 past the States General received a Letter from the States of *Groningen*, in which the latter gives an account of their having conferred upon Prince *Henry Casimir* of *Nassaw* the Hereditary Stadtholdership of that Province, in the same manner as those of *Friesland* had already done. The Sieur *Klincenburg* Ambassador Extraordinary from *Denmark* is here incognito. Several Regiments have orders as we hear to march towards *Brabant*.

Brussels, March 2. The Duke of *Montalto* has taken possession

possession of his Command of General of the Horse of these Countreys, having received the Compliments of all the Persons of Quality about Town upon that subject. Here hath been of late much discourse of Peace, though on what ground we cannot learn; unless it be because of the small preparation that is made here for war, notwithstanding the time for the opening the Campagne comes on so fast; the French, as we are informed from all their Frontiers, are not in the least wanting on their part, and we have reason to believe they will be early in the Field with powerful Armies, of which it may probably be feared these Provinces will to their cost be particularly sensible, unless our Allies come in time to our assistance; there is some speech as if the Brandenburg and Lunenburg Armies being joyned with that of the Prince of Orange, would act in these parts, it being hoped a better correspondence may be kept between them, then was between the Principal Commanders the last Campagne. The Letters which ought to have come in this day from Spain, are not yet arrived, but are lookt for with some impatience; his Excellency expecting some Instructions from the Court, of great importance in the present Conjunction of affairs; and Don Pedro de Ronquillos, his final Orders, to the end he may begin his journey for England, where he is to reside in quality of Envoye Extraordinary from the Crown of Spain. From the Hague they write, of the arrival of the Sieur Klinienberg Ambassador Extraordinary from the Crown of Denmark; and that his Highness the Prince of Orange was in few days expected there from Swoll.

Paris, March 1. Our Letters from Charleville of the 26th past, tell us, that the 15 of the same month, the Marechal de Crequi parted from thence, to go and visit Rocroy, Philipville, and Charleroy, and to take care that all things are there in the posture they ought to be; at present he is at Charleroy, where a great Convoy is its said preparing to be sent to Maestricht. The Marquis de Choiseul is appointed by his Majesty to Command the Troops that are between the Sambre and the Meuse, under the said Marechal. Yesterday the Marquis de Rochefort, Captain of the Kings Guards du Corps, took his leave of his Majesty, having Orders to go into Lorraine, to see in what condition the Troops are, that have their Winter Quarters in those parts. The Sieur de Gendreville, Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of la Fore is made choice of by his Majesty to Command in Doullens, the Marquis de Pisseux in Verdun, the Sieur de Revillon in Charleville, the Sieur de Louvat in Metziers, and the Marquis de Nerreville in Metz. Our Letters from Strasburg of the 22nd past inform us, of the death of the Chevalier de Bouillon, who dyed two days before at Comar, of which place he was Governor; the Officers employed in the new Levies, advise from all parts of the good advance they have made in that work. On Monday last the Count of Kuningmark, who served this last Campagne in the Army, Commanded by the Prince of Conde in Flanders in quality of Marechal de Camp, parted hence to go and take employment in the Army of Sweden. We hear nothing farther of Palermo and Trapanys having revolted, of which, mention was made in our last, so that little credit is given to it.

A Proclamation, Enjoying the Prosecution of all such Persons as shall make or utter any Farthings, Halfpence, or Pence of Brass, or other base Metals, with private Stamps,

CHARLES R,

Whereas His Majesty having by His Royal Proclamation of the 16 of August, in the 24 year of His Reign, forbidden the use of all private Farthings, did cause sufficient quantities of Copper Farthings and Halfpence of the Intrinsic value, to be Coynd for the general good and convenience of His Subjects: Nevertheless His Majesty hath been informed, that several Persons and Corporations remote from London, have forborn to call in their private Farthings, and do still presume to make use of, and utter the same; whereby they continue not only to violate the Laws of this Kingdom, and defraud His Majesties good Subjects, but hinder the vending of those Half-

pence and Farthings, which are provided for necessary Exchange, which would have been ere this time dispersed in those parts, if the said abuses of Stamping and uttering of Private Farthings had been duly suppressed. His Majesty therefore, to the end that all Offenders in the Premises, who are now left without excuse, may know the danger they daily incur; and desist from any further proceeding in the like kind, hath thought fit by this His Royal Proclamation, to Publish and Declare His Royal Will and Pleasure to be, That a strict and severe Enquiry shall be made of all Persons that shall after the 2 day of February next ensuing, Stamp, or cause to be Stamped, Vend, Utter, or any way make use of in payment or exchange, any Halfpence, Farthings, or pieces of Brass, Copper, or other base Metals whatsoever, other then the Halfpence and Farthings by His Majesties Royal Proclamation, Authorised and Allowed; and whosoever shall be found culpable therein, shall be severely punished. And for that purpose, His Majesty doth hereby Will and Command all His Judges, Justices of Assize, Justices of the Peace, and all other inferior Officers and Ministers of Justice whatsoever, That they take care at their several and respective Courts, Assizes, Quarter Sessions, and other inferior Courts, that have, or may have Cognizance, or Punishment of the said offences, That after the said 2 day of February, they cause all such as shall offend in the Premises, to be proceeded against and punished as they shall deserve. Given at Our Court at Whitehal, the 5 day of December, in the Twenty sixth year of Our Reign.

Whitehal, Feb. 19. His Majesty was this day pleased to order in Council, that Copies of His Majesties late Proclamation about Farthings, be sent to the Sheriffs of the respective Counties, to be published, and that the Right Honourable the Lord Keeper do direct the Judges of Assize, to give in charge to the Grand Juries, and other Juries, in their respective Circuits this next Assizes, to present and prosecute all Offenders against the said Proclamation, that they may be punished according to Law. And it was farther ordered, that the said Proclamation, and this Order of His Majesty in Council, should be inserted in the Gazette, to the end that all Persons concerned, may take notice thereof,

Advertisements.

☞ An Answer to the Discourse of Mr. William Sherlock, touching the Knowledge of Christ, and our Union, and Communion with Him; by Edward Pibill of Barwicks in Suffex, Esq; Sold by B. Keffers, and most Bookellers in London.

Strayed or stolen the 15 of this instant February, out of Sir Nicholas Carews Park at Beddington in Surrey, a bright Bay Gelding, about ten years old, better than 14 hands high, a little Saddle back'd, with a white snip on his Nose, the tip of his Ear slit, a little white upon one of his hinder Feet, he paces very well. If any one shall bring tidings of him to Mr. Farrows, a Woollen Draper, at the Rose and Crown in Grace Church street, or to Sir Nicholas Carews, as above, he shall have 40s.

Lost on Monday night last near the Custom-house in London, a pocket Paper-book of account of certain rents and other matters, having a thin Parchment Cover, tyed with Leather strings; whosoever hath taken it up, is desired to bring or send it forthwith to Mr. Smithers Coffee-house over against the Custom-house Gate and they shall be rewarded.

One white Mare very fat, and one black Mare in the custody of William Eyre, Bayliff of the Burrough of Southwark, were secured by him, as suspected to be stolen by two Persons, who on suspicion thereof, are detained in the Goal of Southwark; they pretend their Names to be John Mags and John Robins; they had also a sorrel Nag, about 14 hands high, having all his paces, which was sold at Guilford in Surrey the 5 of December last. Stolen out of a Stable at Pinner in Middlesex, a bright bay Gelding eight years old, above 14 hands, a pretty large feather on the left side of his Main, he hath had the farcy between his Forelegs, hath all his paces, with his Tail dockt; To give notice at Mr. Hockers house in Wild-street near Wild-bowse and you shall be well rewarded.