

blockaded. The Post which came in Yesterday from Westphalia, brought us very little News. Upon His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland's advancing a Body of Troops over the Wefer, the French have reinforced the Corps which had crossed the Rhine. There is no Appearance yet of Marshal d'Estrées being able to move forward with his whole Force.

Hague, May 13. The French began to encamp at Wesel on the 8th Instant, but the Want of Subsistence, and particularly of Forage, embarrasses their Operations so much, that they do not seem to know when they shall be able to move forward with their Army.

Hague, May 17. Since His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland's Arrival at Bielefeldt, the French begin to be uneasy about their advanced Posts, and they have determined to support them if possible; and accordingly they have encamped about 30000 Men at Wesel, and begun to move forward towards Munster, where they talk of establishing the Head Quarters.

Hague, May 20. The French continue to give out that they will march forward immediately, but a great Part of their Cavalry is still dispersed along the Rhine, for the Convenience of Subsistence, for Forage is very scarce, and the States General have just renewed their Placart, prohibiting the Exportation of Bread, Corn, and Oats, for six Weeks longer. The French, who were in the Dutchy of Cleves, are all marched towards Wesel; they are not nearer Embden than they were, having only a Post at Meppen, in the Lower Bishoprick of Munster. The King of Prussia has sent Orders to defend Embden, where they Work very hard, to put themselves in as good a Posture of Defence as possible. The Hessians who arrived from England, were to be, as this Day, encamped between the Aller and the Wefer, and consequently at Hand to join his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland.

Vienna, May 16. By Letters from Prague there is an Account, that the Number of Troops in that City is between 30 and 40000 Men, and that the King of Prussia keeps the Place closely blockaded, having thrown up Intrenchments upon all the Avenues leading to the Town, and having Parties patrolling about on all Sides: It is likewise said that his Prussian Majesty has detached a Body of above 30000 Men, who have directed their March towards Boemisch-brod, from which Place Count Daun decamped some Days ago, and was, by the last Account, encamped near Kuttenberg, having been joined by the Troops from Beneschau, to the Number of 15000 Men. They are very busy here in providing Tents, Saddles, &c. to supply those lost in the late Action; and Orders are said to have been sent to Hungary and Italy, to the Troops quartered there, to march forthwith towards this Country. The Duke of Wirtemberg proposes to set out in a few Days for Count Daun's Army. M. de Broglie, the French Ambassador to the King of Poland, arrived here on Friday last from Paris, in his Way to Warsaw.

Cologne, May 23. The 19th the Duke of Orleans arrived at Liege about Midnight; as he set out early the 20th, he must have reached Wesel the 21st. The 20th the two Battalions of Salaru arrived, and were quartered here; so we have eight Battalions in Garrison. The same

Day Royal Roussillon Cavalry marched through here: To-Morrow the King's Dragoons pass. The 24th the Grenadiers Roiaux, called Salare, are to arrive and stay here. The 28th we expect Rochefoucault; the 1st of June Nassau, both Cavalry: They bring up the Rear of the Troops that pass this Way. The Camp of Wesel is of 26 Battalions and 30 Squadrons. As yet the Order for the March of the Palatine Troops is not come from Manheim.

Whitehall, May 28.

The King has been pleased to order a Congé d'Elire to the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Salisbury, empowering them to elect a Bishop of that See, the same being void by the Translation of the Right Reverend Father in God Doctor John Gilbert, late Bishop thereof, to the Archiepiscopal See of York; and also His Majesty's Letter, recommending to the said Dean and Chapter the Right Reverend Father in God Doctor John Thomas, now Bishop of Peterborough, to be by them elected Bishop of the said See of Salisbury.

Admiralty Office, May 19, 1757.

His Majesty having been graciously pleased, by his Warrant under his Royal Sign Manual, dated the 10th of June, 1733, to establish certain Rules and Orders for the Relief of Poor Widows of Commission and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy: These are to give Notice, that Copies of the said Rules and Orders are lodged with the Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy at Chatham, Portsmouth, and Plymouth; as also with the Clerks of the Checque at Deptford, Woolwich, and Sheerness; and with the Naval Officers at Harwich, Deal, and Kinfales; where all such Widows as intend to lay in their Claims, may be informed of all Particulars which entitle them to the Benefit of the said Charity, and receive the proper Certificates for that Purpose. But such Widows as live at too great a Distance from the Places above-mentioned, may apply by Letter to Mr. Charles Fearn, at the Admiralty Office, who will send them all necessary Information. And the Governors of the said Charity intending to distribute to the Widows of Sea Officers who died before the 30th of August 1732, as well as to the Widows of those who died since that Time, whose Circumstances come within the Rules of the Establishment, such Monies as may be due to them on the 31st of May Instant; This is to give Notice thereof, that any Widows who have not yet applied, and intend to lay in their Claims, may do so as soon as possible; and that all such Widows whose Claims have been already allowed, may send or bring to this Office, by the 31st of this Instant, the Affidavits required by the Rules, in order to their being continued upon the Pension or Bounty.

Victualling Office, May 27, 1757.

The Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy do hereby give Notice, That there is Money in the Hands of the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy to pay Interest and Non-Interest Bills, register'd on the Course of the Victualling in the Month of December 1756, in order that the Proprietors of, or such Persons as are legally empowered to receive the said Bills, may bring them to this Office to be assigned for Payment.

*Commissioners of Annexed Estates Office,
Edinburgh, April 16, 1757.*

Whereas the Commissioners of His Majesty's Forfeited Annexed Estates in Scotland have been informed, That there are divers Appearances on the said Estates of Mines and Minerals; All Persons skilful in searching for Mines, upon Trials and Discoveries by them made, are desired to send in their Proposals, sealed up, to the Secretary to the Commission at Edinburgh: And thereupon the said Discoveries and Proposals will be taken by the said Commissioners into Consideration, in order to their granting Leases upon reasonable Terms.

*By Order of the Commissioners,
Stamp Brooksbank, Secretary.*