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AT the Court at St. James's, the 24th Day of February 1758,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Time limited by His Majesty's Order in Council, of the Thirteenth of January last, For paying the respective Bounties therein mentioned, to all Able and Ordinary Seamen, and also to all Able-bodied Landmen, who should voluntarily enter themselves in His Majesty's Royal Navy; and likewise for paying the Rewards to Persons discovering Seamen who should conceal themselves, will expire upon the Twenty Eighth Day of this Instant February: And whereas it is judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, That the Bounties and Rewards thereby given, should be continued to be paid for some Time longer; His Majesty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby Order, That the Bounties of Three Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Twenty Years; and of Thirty Shillings for every Able-bodied Landman, not above the Age of Thirty-five, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, be continued to be paid to such Seamen and Landmen respectively, who shall, on or before the Tenth Day of April next, enter themselves in the Royal Navy, in the Manner directed by His Majesty's Proclamation of the Fourth Day of January 1757: And likewise, That the Rewards of Two Pounds for every Able, and Twenty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, be continued to be paid to any Persons who shall, on or before the said Tenth Day of April next, discover any Seaman or Seamen who shall conceal themselves, so as such Seaman or Seamen be taken for His Majesty's Service. Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

F. Vernon.

Translation of a Letter from a French Officer at Osnabrug, dated March 3.

I was going to write to you from Bremen, when, on the 24th past in the Morning, we were informed that the Hereditary Prince of

Brunswick had stormed and taken Hoya, which was bravely defended by M. de Chabot, with the Regiment of Gardes Lorraines, two Companies of Grenadiers, some Piquets of the Regiment of Bretagne, and a Detachment of the Regiment of Mestre de Camp Dragoons. Finding himself surrounded on all Sides, and upon the Point of being forced, after a considerable Loss of Men, he retired into the Old Castle, where he capitulated, and obtained the Liberty to withdraw to the next French Post with all the Troops he had with him, except such as were intercepted and which have been made Prisoners of War. This happened on the 23d in the Evening, and followed the taking of Verden; which M. de St. Chamans found himself obliged to abandon on the 20th, and to retire towards Bremen, on account of the great Floods. It was then, on the 24th in the Morning, that we heard at Bremen of the Fate of Hoya; and M. de St. Germain judging that he could not be of any Use in this Post to Count Clermont, immediately resolved to abandon it, after he had sent Orders to all the Regiments, as well Foot as Horse and Dragoons, to repair, that same Evening, to Bassum. He left Bremen, and charged me with the Care of evacuating it, as soon as the Artillery and the Baggage of the Garrison should have been sent away; which I executed about Two of the Clock in the Afternoon. The Hospital and Magazines were left at Bremen for Want of Carriages and Time; and having no particular Charge of them, I happily rejoined M. de St. Germain in the Night at Bassum. We passed the Night under Arms, because we were not far from Hoya, and uninformed of the Designs of the Enemy. On the 25th we passed the Hunte, and quartered at Wildhufen, which Place we quitted on the 26th at Ten in the Morning, in order to proceed to Vecht.

We tarried the 27th at Vecht, and, upon Intelligence that a Colonel of Foot, whose Force we were ignorant of, had crossed the Hunte, we came and passed the Night of the 28th at Vorde, and arrived the Day before Yesterday at this Place, where we found the Regiment of Champagne, the Regiment of Colonel General Dragoons, and two Regiments of Horse. The Remains of the Gardes Lorraines, who are

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