

May the 20th 1757 an Express arrived from Col. York, his Majesty's Minister & plenipotentiary at the Hague, an acc^t of the Victory obtain'd by the King of Prussia over the Austrian Army. The King being inform'd that Marshal Brown was resolved to maintain the Post he had taken on the Other side of the Moldau; his Majesty pass'd that River, with a smal part of his own Army, & being join'd by that under the Command of Marshall Schwerin, determin'd to attack the Enemy, though much Superior in number of Troops & post'd besides in a Camp almost inaccessible, the Prussian Officers & men vived with each other in passing Defiles, in crossing marshes, & Seizing the rising ground, till at Length after a Long & obstinate engagement, the Enemy was forced to abandon the field of Battle, leaveing behind them the greatest part of their Artillery, all their Tents, all their Bagage & in a word their whole Camp—

Marshall Schwerin was kill'd & Several others; the Loss of the Austrians greater not only in the Number of the Dead & Wounded, but also in the Number of Prisoners; insomuch, that this Battle may be reckon'd deccisive, & not less reason than Glorious in its Consequence the main Body of the Austrians with the Princes of Blood &c. retired, & are coop'd up in Prague. This Letter has been y^{rs} months on my Table for want of safe Passage by convoy, the delay gives oppertunity of Acquainting you the Establishment of the Administration here into the great Offices, which has been under pause some time, now fix'd Viz. Sr Robert Henley Lord-Keeper of the Great Seal. His Grace of Newcastle first Lord of the Treasury. The R^t Hon^{ble} Bilson Legge Chan^r of the Excheq^r Lord Anson first Lord of Admiralty. The Earl of Temple Lord privy Seal. The Earl Gower Master of the Horse. The R^t Hon^{ble} Henry Fox pay Master of the fforces. The Hon^{ble} Geo. Greenville Treasurer of the Navy. The R^t Hon^{ble} W^m Pitt Sec^y of State. M^r Pratt Counsel at Law Attor^y Gen^l with other particulars in the Inclosed News Papers & with particulars of the unsuccessful action near Kaurzim in Bohemia Iune the 18th when the Prussians retired & left the Austrians masters of the field of Battle, & Occasioned the King of Prusia immediatly, to raise the Blockade of Prague & retire towards Leitmeritz His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland has repassed the Weser to dispute the Passage with the French; the Odds are dreaded, the Latter being in Number tis said superiour 50000, the Issue of Things bear Melancholy Presage, Pray God avert the Evil & may all happiness Attend you.

Yours truly

Cæcil^s Calvert.

Post. by this Letter & mine of the
16th of Decem^r last I have answ^d
y^{rs} received from you unto Iuly
the 10th this Instant