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MEDAL XXXIII. LIBERATED CITIES. The medal represents the Sun in his car dispersing the clouds. The legend reads, SERENITAS, meaning a *returned serenity*: in exergue,—PLURIMÆ URBES RECEPTÆ. M.DC.LIII. *Many cities liberated in 1653.*

XXXIV. MEDAL.—TAKING OF BEFFORT. The King subdued a part of Lorraine in the end of 1652, and having taken Sainte Menehoult the next year, he sent Marshal de la Ferté to besiege Beffort which was in the hands of rebels under the Count of Suze. On the 23rd of February, Beffort capitulated, thus leaving Alsace and Lorraine in safety. The medal represents the two provinces as two females seated upon shields and arms. The legend reads ALSATIÆ