

A. D. 1759. routing that corps on the Weser, the Duke should fall upon the left flank of the enemy, and thereby facilitate the attack and victory of the marshal's army.

Prince Ferdinand's precautions.

Prince Ferdinand, that same evening, gave orders for his army to be ready to march at one o'clock next morning, and required the advanced posts to be very attentive, and to transmit an account of the least motion they should observe in that night. Two deserters, that same evening, arrived in the camp, with intelligence that the enemy was advancing to attack General Wangenheim, and had already passed the Marth. This most important news was delivered to M. de Radan, the adjutant-general, at Hactim at ten o'clock: but was not conveyed to Prince Ferdinand till almost three in the morning.

Prince Ferdinand's orders for attacking M. Contades.

His Serene Highness dispatched his orders; without loss of time, for every officer to be at his respective post with his corps under arms, to strike their tents, and to be ready to march and attack, as he should see convenient to direct, they having before been disposed, with great judgment, in the following line of battle:

His line of battle.

FRONT LINE.

Lieutenant Generals.

Major Generals.

Cannon.

First Brigade.

12 twelve pounders.

2 howitzers.

3 three pounders.

Second Brigade.

10 twelve pounders.

2 howitzers.

Third