and so overcharge him. But when they espie a great Armie of enemies, they make a retraite quickily and speedily to their Armie, Rances, and Banners.

There is great celerity in constituting and governing their troupes, seeing that they are not ruled only by theadvertisement of the Generals and Prefects of their Regiments, but also by the shew of Whips, as is the long continued practice of the Nation; and they are subject to a becke, that they are very easily brought into their Ranges, whensoever it is necessary.

The Chan is always fortified in warre, with a band of some thousands of noble and courageous Tartars in number, some hundreds of Janizaries, Footmen, and some small Ordnance. In the Chans Regiment a very great white Mares tayle, and a piece of Greene and Red Silke of the Turkish Emperour is carried before on a great Pike for the Standard. There appeare in the troupes of the other Tartars, many Ancients and Ensigne of various colours.

The more famous Souldiers, and they which are notable in reputation, dextereiteit and warlike Prowes, and have archieved in warre some Noble Service and Enterprize, are greatly honoured by the Chan, Soldans, Janizars, and Murzons. And that respect is had to them, that the Chan doth not only reward them with certayne great benefits and such liberalitie, as he can shew them, but also is so mindful of their deserts and merits, that he assigns them and their successors in the Assembly, and as the fashion is, at his Table a perpetuall place of honour among his more noble Murzons. That dignitie among the Tartars is the greatest, and Hereditary, for they going to warre able and experienced men which possesse that place, are dignified by the Chan, with the glorie of leading the Trupes. The Chan also frees some Tartar captives with the permutation of captives, and in ransominge others he largely powres out his owne Treasure, and willingly comforts them as he is able.

**CHAP. XXII.**

**Dithmar Blefrens his Voyages, and Historie of Island and Groenland.**

In the yeere 1563. two Hamburg Merchants ships determined to sayle to Island, the Mariniers, by an ancient custome, deireous to have a Minister of Gods Word with them, commend this care to the Ministers of the Church of Hamburg, and intreat them to provide them a Minister. One Doctor Paulus ab Etzen was then Superintendent of the Church of Hamburg. While therefore I staid at Hamburg, expecting my Library from Rostoch, I entred into some familiaritie with Paulus, and the rest of the Ministers. This Office was bestowed upon me, which I undertooke the more attill by desire of Iland, being desirous being flung on this expeditious, Oceaniac, and by beholding the Glorie of Iland, I was mov'd to encounter the danger of the unknown, and seare the hidden Repositories of the new world, and there to find out such立志物斯, as were most proper for the glory of God.