and so over-charged him. But when they espie a great Army of enemies, they make a retraite quickly and speedily to their Armie, Ranks, and Banners.

There is great celerity in constituting and governing their troupes, seeing that they are not ruled only by the advertizements of the Generals and Prefets of their Regiments, but also by the shew of Whips, as is the long continued practice of the Nation; and they are subject to phase, 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 lantizaries, Footmen, and some small Ordnance. In the Chand Regement a very great white Mares tayle, and a piece of Greene and Red Silke of the Turkish Empourer is carried before on a great Pike for the Standard. There appear 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, dexteraetie and warlike Prowes, and have archieved in warre some Noble Service and Enterprize, are greatly honoure by the Chand, Soldans, Kiniatons, and Marzons. And that respect is had to them, that the Chand doth not only reward them with certayne great benefits, and such liberalitie, as he can shew them, but also is so mindfull of their deserts and merites, that he assignes them and their successors in the Assembly, and as the fashion is at his Table a perpetual place of honour among his more noble Marzons. 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 Chand, with the glory of leading the Troupes. The Chand also frees some Tartar captives with the permutation of captives, and in ransoming others he largely powres out his owne Treasure, and willingly comforts them as he is able.

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**CHAP. XXII.**

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

In the yeere 1563, two Hamburg Merchants ships determined to sayle to Island, the Mariners, by an ancient custome, desirous 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 Eizen was then Superintendent of the Church of Hamburg. While therefore I stayed at Hamburg, expecting my Library from Restoch, I entred into some familiaritie with Paulus, and the rest of the Ministers. This Office was bestowed upon me, which I understood the more willingly, because I had a longing desire to know strange things, and divers Countries, vielding...