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Naples, June 25.

**F**rom *Sicily* we hear, that the French having held a Rendezvous of their Forces at *St. Stefano*, without the Gates of *Messina*, and made a countenance as if they would attack the *Scaletta*, had on the sudden discovered their design to be upon *Melazzo*, and were accordingly marched thither, and had already blocked up the place on the Land-side, and at the same time besieged it by Water with eight Gallies; That the Viceroy of *Sicily*, who happened to be there, was retreated with his Forces, sufficient to maintain it into the Castle. Upon this advice, our Viceroy has ordered six Gallies to be put forthwith into a posture to sail to *Palermo*, to join with 15 Gallies more that are there, and to go together to the relief of *Melazzo*.

*Vicenna*, July 7. On Monday last the Count of *Limberg* took possession of his place of Great Master of the Emperors Household, and was thereupon accordingly complimented by all the Persons of Quality about Court. The Sieur *Pioger* having compleated the new Regiment he raised, is marched with it towards *Silesia*, to join the other Imperial Troops there, under the command of General *Cops*. The Emperor has given Commission to the Count of *Kauniz* to raise forthwith a Regiment of Horse.

*Hamburg*, July 16. From *Rensburg* in *Holstein* we receive the confirmation of the Dukes having submitted to the demands of the King of *Denmark*, mentioned in our last. And our Letters add, That the King had put part of his Troops into quarters, in *Holstein*, and purposed himself to return to *Copenhagen*, without making any mention of any rupture intended with the Suedes. The Magistrates and Inhabitants of this City cannot quit the apprehensions they have, that the King of *Denmark* will attempt something upon them; the Deputies they sent to the King having not as yet been able to obtain any favourable answer from his Majesty, and our fears are increased by the news we have of two Danish Men of War being come into the *Elbe*, and that part of the Kings Army advances this way. The Elector of *Brandenburg* having held a Rendezvous of his Army near *Perleberg*, and found it to consist in above 16000 Men, has caused it to advance towards *Wismar*; and from *Lubeck* comes a report, that they have already invaded that City. The Suedish Army is about *Demmin* in *Pomerania*, expecting there several considerable recruits from *Sueden* and other parts; It is said, That in five or six days the Imperialists under the Command of General *Cops*, will be come up with the *Brandenburgs*.

From the Imperial Camp at *Renchen*, July 11. The Imperial Army has its head-quarter here, the River *Renchen* dividing ours and the Enemies Camp. Our parties go out daily, and return with good success. This evening the Major General *Harrant* has brought in 150 Prisoners, and a good booty, having totally routed a French

Regiment of Dragoons; the said Prisoners tell us, that the French are very much incommoded for want of Forage.

*Treves*, July 12. The 27 past our Governor the Count de *Vignory*, understanding that the Sieur de *Louvigny*, who commands at present in the Province of *Luxemburg*, had for some design drawn out the Garison that was in *Eckternac* on the *Sourde*, he forthwith marched thither with 200 Horse, as many Foot and some Dragoons, and made himself Master of the place without any difficulty, and having demolished it, and taken away what Arms he found there, returned hither again. The 28, the Marschal de *Crequi* arrived with the Forces under his command in our Neighborhood; the next day he sent out a party with two pieces of Cannon, who took the Castle of *Romestin*, the Garison surrendring upon discretion, and demolished it; the 30, the Count de *Vignory* likewise possessed himself of the Castle of *Efche*, and the day following of the Town and Castle of *Wihicke*, the Garisons in neither making any resistance; our Governor demolished all the said places, and hath brought hither what Artillery, Ammunition or other military provision he found there. The sixth instant, the Marschal de *Crequi* marched with his Troops through this City, and having passed the *Sarre* went and encamped at *Tauerne*, where he continued till this morning, when he decamped again, and is marched towards *Alsacia*, with intention to go and join Monsieur de *Turenne*. Yesterday went out from hence a party of 400 Horse, with orders to go and burn four great Villages on the side of *Bohne*, who have omitted to pay their Contributions.

*Strasburg*, July 12. The Imperial Army under the command of General *Montecuculi* continues encamped from *Renchenloch* to *Lichtenaw*, and from thence as far as *Buhel* at the foot of the Mountains, the head-quarter being at *Renchen*: On the other side, the French had their quarters from *Bisheim* to *Alrenheim*: The Imperialists have fortified *Renchenloch*, as being a Post of great importance for the security of their Camp, and for that reason, Monsieur de *Turenne* endeavoured to dispossess them of it, but the Troops that were commanded on that design were repulsed, though they made their attack with a great deal of vigor. The eighth instant the Troops of the Circles of *Suabia* and *Franconia* which assembled at *Hailbron*, and are said to make up together between 3 and 4000 Men, joined the Imperial Army. And besides the 1500 Foot that are already come to the assistance of the French under the conduct of the Chevalier du *Plessys*; we have advice, that the Marschal de *Crequi* is coming with another reinforcement, and that he is at present not far from hence. Upon the advice Monsieur de *Turenne* received that 3000 Imperialists had passed the *Rhine* below *Rastadt*, with design to give him a diversion on that side, and to cut off the Provisions which come from *Hagenaw* and those parts, he immediately caused two Regiments of Dragoons to pass the *Rhine* yesterday over his Bridge at *Altenheim*; who were followed the last night by 3000 more, with order

orders to have a watchful eye upon the Imperialists. We are told, that yesterday Major General *Harrani* fell upon a party of French Dragons not far from *Renchenloch*, of which near 150 were killed upon the place, and as many made Prisoners. The general opinion here is, that the Armies will after all come to a Battel; and in the mean time, the Imperialists say, that the French is already very considerably diminished, that many Soldiers desert daily, and many die; and more particularly they tell us, that the ninth instant, three whole French Companies, who had deserted, came with their complete Arms, Colors and Baggage to *Biden*, and desired Passports to pass farther; which they obtained, with a sum of Money for their subsistence.

*Cologne July 16.* The 13 instant, the *Lunenbourg* Troops came and lodged at *Vrechens*, two Leagues from hence, where they continued the next day, and yesterday they decamped again, and marched towards *Brenil*, with intention to continue their march towards the *Moselle*, whither the *Lorrain* Troops are gone before, and on Saturday last the old Duke parted from hence to follow them. The *Munster* Troops, to the number of 3000, to 4000 Men, are likewise coming up, they take their march through the Country of *Bergh*, and will pass the *Rhine* at *Bonne*, and so join the other Confederates, who are likewise to have added to them 1000 Imperialists, to be drawn out of *Bonne*, and 3000 Men of the Elector of *Treves*, and these together will, it is said, make an Army of 22000 Men; their design is generally said to be upon *Treves*, and we are told, that the Elector of *Treves* hath taken upon him to provide the Army with Corn, and all necessaries for its subsistence, so long as it is employed for the recovering of his Country out of the hands of the French. The Letters we receive from the Imperial Army, assure us of the good condition it is at present in, and endeavor to persuade us, that the French cannot truly say so, and that they are in great want of Forage, and other Provisions, to that degree, that the Soldiers die, and desert daily. But the French tell us as much of the Imperial Army.

*Brussels, July 19.* The Prince of *Orange* has his quarters still near *Louvaine* with his Infantry, but his Cavalry is advanced within half a League of this City; it has been reported these two days that the Army would march, which has been done to give the Country people leisure to retire with their Goods and Cattle out of the way, which the Army is to take; to morrow it is certainly said it will decamp, and march near this City by *Vueren* towards *Halland* and *Tubise*. His Highness, we hear, has given orders to his Soldiers to provide themselves with Bread for three days, and the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* has summoned 1000 Wagons to come hither the beginning of the next Week, from the several Districts of *Flanders*, and this Province; several Spanish Regiments of Foot are likewise to be drawn out of our Garrisons, and Dutch Regiments to be put in their stead, and it is generally believed that about the latter end of the next week, the Army will march to attempt something considerable. The French Army is at present encamped near *Flerus*, about three Leagues from *Charleroy*, much weakened, as is said, by the several parties that have been sent out towards *Lorrain* and the *Mense*, and now lately by a body of 6000 Men that are marched, as is said, towards *Alsacia*. It is reported here, that on Wednesday last, the King parted from *Charleroy*, on his way to *Paris*, leaving the command of his Army to the Prince of *Conde*. From *Liege* they write,

That the Count d' *Estrades* Governor of *Mastricht*, had been to visit the Citadell of *Liege*, from thence was gone to *Huy*, and so would continue to visit his Majesties other late Conquests, which are all annexed to his Government. From *Germany* they tell us, that the Imperial Army is encamped at *Renclen*, and the French at *Bischoim*; That Monsieur de *Turenne* has made another Bridge over the *Rhine* at *Hanaw*, so that he has now one above, and the other beneath *Strasbourg*; That the Country is all destroyed and eaten up by the two Armies, that the Imperialists want Bread, and the French Forage, which makes us think they will not be able to continue much longer in this posture. The *Lunenbourg* *Osnabrug* and *Lorrain* Troops are gone, as is said, to besiege *Treves*.

*Hannover, July 19.* We have not any news here, but what we receive from abroad; here are Letters in Town from *Berlin*, which say; That in the Neighborhood of *Feh, Berlin* had been buried by the Country people near 3000 dead, slain in the late Action that was there; and that upon a review that was taken of the *Brandenburg* Troops since the fight, there was not 500 missing. The *Suedes* are drawn toward the Sea, and are at present at *Danwitz*, about four or five Leagues from *Wolgast*, expecting a considerable reinforcement from *Sweden*, and in the mean time the *Brandenburgs* are said to be going to besiege *Wismar*. We are told by some Letters from *Copenhagen*, that the nine Men of War fitted out in these Provinces to join with those of *Denmark* were arrived in the *Sound*. From *Stockholm* they write, That preparations were making there for the Marriage and Coronation of the King.

*Paris, July 20.* Our Letters from the Kings Camp at *Vilaines* near *Flerus* of the 14 instant tell us, That the seventh the King gave Audience to the Deputies of the States of *Lombardy*, in his Camp at *Strasheim*, and that the next day after the demolishing of *St. Tron* was finished, his Majesty decamped from thence, and marched to *Longchamps*, from whence the King sent out a party of Horse to learn some news of the Enemy, under the command of the Sieur *Angier*, who defeated 50 Croats, and brought in a Lieutenant Colonel and about 40 other Prisoners. The tenth, his Majesty came and encamped near *Wafeges*, from whence his Majesty parted again the next day, and marching through very bad ways, by reason of the continual rains, encamped at *Perwez*; where his Majesty continued the next day, to refresh his Soldiers. The twelfth, the Army dislodged again and marched to *Vilaines*, from whence the King parted the 14 instant early in the morning, to *Charleroy*, being about three Leagues from the Camp, to visit the works there, and the beginnings that are making for the building a new Town, on the other side of the *Sambre*, his Majesty purposing to be back in the Camp that evening. Our advices from Monsieur de *Turennes* Army, are dated the twelfth instant, at *Bischoim* or *Bischofheim*, where is the Head-quarter; they say, That Monsieur de *Turenne* was come thither, upon the removal of the Imperial Army from *Urfel* towards *Lichtenaw* on the fourth instant, and had immediately sent out two Squadrons of Horse, and 500 Foot, under the command of the Count de *Loze*, and the Count d' *Avrigne* to attack a certain retrenchment which the Imperialists had made at *Renchenloch*; That our Troops had made the Attack with a great deal of bravery, but that Monsieur de *Turenne* understanding the difficulty of the enterprize, had commanded the Count de *Loze* to retreat, which he had done in very good order not having lost above 25 or 30 Men; That to prevent all communication between the Imperialists and the City of *Strasbourg* by Water Monsieur de *Turenne* had posted 500 in two small Isles in the River, with three small pieces of Cannon, and has since reinforced them with 100 Musqueteers more; we are assured that the Imperial Army is in great want of Provisions; That the Chevalier du *Effis* is arrived in our Army with 3000 Men from *Lorrain*, and that the Marechal de *Craqui* was daily expected with another reinforcement.

#### Advertisement.

STolen or strayed on Thursday night last, July 8. out of the Grounds of Mr. *Stephen Terrey* of *Shiphose*, in the Parish of *Long Sutton* in the County of *Southampton*, 39 fat sheep newly shorn, marked on the near side with S T in fitch, and cropped in both Ears; but the father Ear is a hollow crop. Whoever gives notice of the said sheep to the aforesaid Mr. *Terrey*, or to Capt. *John Terrey* in *Boswell* Court without the Temple, shall have 20s. Reward.