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Messina, July 3.

THE Men of War who arrived last here under the command of Monsieur duquesne have not as yet attempted any thing. The Soldiers transported on board them, were upon a Review found to amount to 1500 Foot, and 400 Horse effective; which addition of strength having rendered the Duke de Vivonne much superior to the Spaniards in number, he has resolved to employ them suddenly in some action of importance. The Troops that marched hence are returned to Taormina, which place the French have demolished, leaving only such a number of men in the Male, as they judged sufficient to guard that Pass. A Party of the Garison of Ibici going to receive the Contributions, being met by several Boors who way-laid them, were, after a brisk resistance, forced to retire to their Garison without executing their design, and the loss of the greatest part of their Companions. Here are at present in Port 22 Men of War, which if the Spaniards and Dutch come forward, will be increased to 36 Sail.

Vienna, July 29. The Rebels in Hungary having absolutely rejected, with circumstances of much contempt, the offer of a free Pardon made them by the Emperor, and increasing daily in their numbers, his Imperial Majesty has sent Orders to the Governor of Gomorre to visit the Frontier places, and to return him a speedy account of the condition in which he finds them. In the mean time three Regiments belonging to the Elector of Sax: are ordered to march forthwith to Hungary, to reinforce the Frontier Garisons which are most exposed; and yesterday a Messenger was sent to the Bassa of Buda, to make complaint to him of the succors and protection the Rebels have lately received from several places under his Government, and to know whether the same was done with his knowledge, and if not, that then he would severely punish the persons offending, according to the Grand Signior's Orders to that purpose. Yesterday General Strassoldo arrived here from Upper Hungary, and having received the monies promised him for the payment of his Troops, will return thither again to his command. Process is framing against the two Strangers who lately burned a Village some Leagues from hence; they have already confessed several things, which give us jealousy enough to suspect the sincerity of the friendship and professions of the Turkish Bassa's in Hungary. This day the Baggage of General Lesley parted hence towards Denmark, and on Friday next he himself purposes to follow it. The Emperor has given out Commissions for the raising of several new Regiments, which are to remain always in his Hereditary Countries, and to be employed only for their defence, and has likewise issued a Placaert, that every tenth man throughout them, be ready to march on all occasions.

Metz, Aug. 8. The first instant the Duke of Lorraine having marched with his Army in sight of Stenay, came and encamped that afternoon at Sully near Carignan. That night he decamped again, and arrived at Mouson, which he passed with several Squadrons of Horse and

his Artillery, to secure the making of a Bridge over the Meuse; but the Marschal de Crequi advancing with his Army to Inor, obliged the Germans to repass the River with their Cannon. The 2d instant they continued in their Posts. The 3d, his Majesties Army encamped at Inor, enlarging their quarters as high as Pouilly. The 4th, the Armies were all the day drawn up in Battalia, though nothing but Skirmishes passed between them. The 5th, the Enemies finished their Bridge over the Meuse. The Marschal de Crequi hath built a Redoute near Pouilly, which incommodes much the left Wing of the Enemy, and hath laid a Bridge over the Meuse between Inor and Martincourt, and possessed himself of a Ford in the River where two Squadrons of Horse may pass in front.

From the Camp at Inor, Aug. 9. The Imperial Army continues still encamped near Mouson, without having sent any Party on this side of the Meuse. This morning they began to move a little, and seem to bend their march towards Namur, to cover the Siege of Charleroy. The Marschal de Crequi has sent 400 Horse to the Governor of Sedan, the Garison of which place has within these few weeks taken above 600 Prisoners; Brussels, Aug. 10. On Saturday our great Convoy from hence arrived at the Camp before Charleroy. His Highness the Prince of Orange having already appointed the several Posts to his Infantry, marked out the Lines, and cauled the Pioneers to work with all diligence upon them; we hope the Siege will advance apace, and that the Batteries will be all ready by that time the great Cannon and Mortars, which part hence to morrow, shall arrive at the Camp. On Friday the Spanish and Confederate Troops, consisting in 12000 Foot, and 10000 Horse, under the command of the Duke de Villa Hermosa, encamped at Lréd, and from thence marched on Saturday to Revez, the better to cover the Siege; but upon notice that the French were moving from Aeth, and had advanced as far as Chasteau and St. Denis, his Excellency decamped again, and on Sunday marched to Thimson and Viveille, the French Army having also decamped, and advanced the same day betwixt Mariemont and Binch, where they still continue a Garison. Upon this motion of the Enemy it was at first resolved, that his Excellency should take the Post of Piéton, but the French continuing their march on Sunday night, and passing the Sambre yesterday morning early at la Buffieres, our Generals thought fit to alter their resolution, and his Excellency decamped last night, in order to his passing the Sambre at Chastelet, to coast the Enemy that way, and to observe their motions more nearly; and this evening we are told, that both Armies are within a League of each other. This march of the French will not only hinder our Army from foraging betwixt the Sambre and the Meuse, but will also cover their Garisons of Philippville, Marienhorg, &c. and we likewise suspect, that the Duke of Luxembourg being in a Country surrounded with Woods, where his Cavalry will be able to do little service, will detach a great part of them towards the Meuse, to prevent the excursion of the Duke of Lorraine's Troops from Mouson. Yesterday Lieutenant General Agusto came hither with a great detachment from the Army, to Convey to

it 2800 Wagons of Ammunition and Provision; to which will be also joined 40 Cannon and 10 Mortars, which though they begin to move already, cannot reach the Army till Friday night. In the mean time the Pioneers work hard, and the Batteries will be made ready, as we hope, against that time. Our Letters from the Camp say, that the Garison was yesterday encamped without the Counterscarp, the Prince of Orange not having been able to make any considerable advance in the Siege, through the want of this Convoy. The Duke of Lorraine is at present incamped with the Imperial Army at *Mousoh*, having possessed himself of that important place, by his diligent marching 11 or 12 Leagues in two days, before the French could prevent it, by which all *Champagne* lies open to him. His Highness has caused three Bridges to be laid over the *Meuse*, taken the Forts and Redoubts on both sides of the River, and raised likewise some new works on this side for the security of his Bridges, being resolved to fortifie the place for his Winter-quarters. The Marschal de *Crequi* not being advertised of the Duke's march, till all his Baggage was actually passed and secured, followed him in all haste, taking his march towards *Stenay*, and encamped his Army between *Pouilly* and *Ivor*, where our last Letters left him, being within a League of the Imperialists betwixt *Stenay* and *Mousoh*. From *Allface* they write, that the Army of the Circles continues encamped at *Huningen*, and the Sieur de *Monclar* betwixt *Ensisheim* and *Muthausen*. The Duke of *Saxen-Bysebach* being assisted by one Monsieur de *Sainte Magdalene*, who pretended himself to be highly dissatisfied with the French, that he had so great power with the Governor of *Landskron*, that he would undertake the seizing of that place, if he had sufficient Troops to assist him. His Highness sent Lieutenant General *Dunwaldt*, and Colonel *Roses* with a considerable detachment towards the place, who were so well received, as to be permitted to enter the Gates, but were then so briskly charged by the Enemy, as to be forced to retire in great disorder, with the loss of many men, and amongst them Colonel *Roses*, and a Major was killed; Lieutenants General *Dunwaldt*, and a young Prince of *Saxony* escaped very narrowly, the first having his Hat shot off, and the other his Coat pierced with a Bullet, and his Skin only raised. This misfortune and treachery has so much enraged the Duke of *Saxen-Bysebach*, that, we are told, he has resolved to attack the place immediately, to be revenged for the affront and disappointment he has received.

Bragey, Aug. 11. The little Army under the command of the Marquis d'*Offera*, consisting in 3000 Foot, and 650 Horses, are at present encamped within a Musket-shot of our Palisades, stretching along the Canal to *Ghent*. This morning the said Marquis parted hence for *Newport*, to see what number of men might be drawn out of that Garrison, without exposing the place to danger. From *Lille* they write, that the Duke of *Luxemburg* with about 40000 men, is advanced as far as *Ripich*, within three Leagues of *Charleroy*. Upon advice that the French were assembling a Body of an Army in the Neighborhood of *Ivry*, the Marquis d'*Offera* has sent for four Regiments belonging to the Dutch, as also the Regiments of the Prince de *Vaudemont* and Count d'*Egmont* to reinforce him.

Philippeville, Aug. 11. The Duke of *Luxemburg* having been informed by Prisoners and Defectors from the Dutch Army, that the Prince of *Orange* had resolved to quit the Posts he had taken about *Charleroy*, and to fight him, marched with his Army drawn up in Battalia towards the Enemy. Hereupon the Prince of *Orange* went and encamped at *Adonigny*, on the *Sambre*; and the Duke of *Luxemburg* at *Chasselet*, his right Wing at *Origny*, and his left at *Wasselet*. The Enemies are separated from each other only by a small Rivulet and Wood. The Enemies are working with all diligence upon their Lines of Circumvallation, and have also begun their Lines of Contravallation in the Prince of *Orange's* quarters. The place is in

very good condition, and the Count de *Montal* by keeping his Horse without, has hitherto hindered the Enemies from making their approaches to it.

Versailles, Aug. 14. Our Letters from *Metz* say, that the Duke of *Lorraine* continued still at *Mousoh*, and that the Marschal de *Crequi* was encamped within half a League from him, and that the Enemies had not passed the *Meuse*, although for that purpose they had laid a Bridge of Boats over it. The Marschal de *Lequien* has posted himself so advantageously, that the Confederates will hardly adventure to attack him, though he were much weaker than he is. All sorts of Provisions are very plentiful and cheap in his Camp. In the mean time no considerable Action hath passed between the Armies, besides continual Skirmishes between Parties. The 9th instant the Prince of *Orange* began to break earth before *Charleroy*. The 8th, the Duke of *Luxemburg* having advice that a great Convoy of Provisions and Materials for a Siege were coming to join them, sent out the Count de *Lillis* with 2000 Horse, and a Regiment of Dragoons to attack them, which the Enemies perceiving, without marching further returned back to *Metz*. The Duke of *Luxemburg* is on his march to *Charleroy*; on Wednesday last he encamped at *Valoux*, and on Thursday at *Floreffe*, very near the Enemies Camp. His Army at present consists of between 40 and 50000 men. Yesterday the Duke de *Lesdigueres*, the Marquis de *Catours*, and several of the Nobility parted hence for *Flanders*, upon the great appearance there is of a sudden Battel there. This morning the Chancellor was taken suddenly ill with a Fit of an Apoplexy, but is now a little better, though most people despair of his recovery.

Postscript. Just now his Majesty has received a Courier from Monsieur de *Lequien*, with the News that the Duke of *Luxemburg* is approached so near the Prince of *Orange*, that he has possessed himself of all the ground on which the Prince should draw up his Army in Battalia.

Paris, Aug. 14. From *Germany* we hear nothing new, the Imperialists seeming to have no other design, than to keep the Marschal de *Crequi* from sending any detachments into *Flanders*. On Wednesday the Prince of *Condé*, having been sent for the day before to Court, was above two hours in conference with the Kings and the chief Ministers, about the resolutions to be taken in relation to the Siege of *Charleroy*. The general expectation here is, that a Battel will be ere long fought, in order to the relief of the place, which is furnished with all things that can be desired; the Garison consists in about 4600 men, and of them 300 Musketeers, so that it is not doubted but they will make a brave defence.

Advertisements.

A New Map of the Seat of War in

Lorraine and *Alsace*, with the adjacent Places, designed so as presently to know whether the name of any Place be in the Map or not; if in the Map, presently to find it without any trouble, or poring with the Eye; and to see by Inspection on the distance of it from any other Place, without measuring by Compasses. By *Roberts Morden* and *William Berry*, and sold at their Shops at the *Atlas* in *Comhill*, and at the *Globe* between *Charingcross* and *Whitehall*.

The Rover: Or, the Banish'd Cavaliers.

Written by *A. B.*

The Debauchee: Or, the Credulous

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LOST the first instant, out of the Grounds of *Mr. William Wager*, living at the *Anchor* and *Hope* in *Adel-street*, a high bay Nag with a Star in his forehead, both his hind-feet white, near 14 hands, about five years old, with a bbb tail. Whoever gives notice of the said Gelding to *Mr. Wager* at the *Magpie Inn* near *Fetter-Lane*, *London*, shall be well rewarded.