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Naples, Septemb. 7.

**S**ince the retreat of the French from before *Melazzo*, we have an account of their arrival in the Port of *Augusta*; they give out still that they design to besiege *Catanea*, into which the Duke of *Mourmouille* has put himself. The five Private of *Zealand* will put to Sea again to-morrow, to go and cruise upon the French.

From the Camp before *Stein*, September 24. After that we had received advice that the King of *Denmark* was landed upon the Isle of *Rugen*; that he had fortified himself there and that Count *Coningsmarke* was endeavouring to oppose his farther progress; Admiral *Tromp* arrived here in the Camp the 22 instant, to desire his Electoral Highness in the name of the King of *Denmark*, to assist him with some Horse; upon which his Electoral Highness ordered two Regiments of Horse, and one of Dragoons to march thither, under the command of Major General *Gieslen*.

After which a Trumpet was sent to the Town, to give the Besieged the news of the King of *Denmark's* being landed, and to admonish them to provide for themselves by surrendering the place, while there was yet room left for it; to which they returned for answer, That they were not to be taken with Letters and Advices; That if the Besiegers intended to become Masters of the place, they must make their Attacks vigorously; and they on their side should not be wanting to defend themselves as well as they could. In the mean time all things are ready for a general Assault, which we are told is only deferred because of the indisposition of some of our principal Officers, and among the rest of Velt-Marschal *Dorsling*.

*Copenhagen*, Sept. 25. The account we have from the *Baltische* is, that the Count *Coningsmarke* has drawn about 3000 men together on the Isle of *Rugen*, to oppose our King, and has fortified himself on that side of the said Isle which is towards *Stralsund*. The King is expected here this afternoon from *Rugen*, to hasten the Succors that are to be sent from hence. The *Suedes* in *Schonen* had a design to have yesterday fallen upon our Infantry, which lies encamped under the Walls of *Landscron*, but it succeeded not.

*Brifac*, Sept. 25. The 18 instant the *Sieur de Monclar* passed the *Rhine* over our Bridge with the Troops under his command, and the night following the *Marquis de la Vallerte* passed with his Brigade, and on the 20 joined the *Sieur de Monclar*. In the mean time the Duke of *Saxe Eysenach*, understanding that the *Marschal de Crequi* was laying a Bridge over the *Rhine* at *Rheinaw*, resolved to oppose the same. The *Sieur de Monclar* was not wanting to observe his motions, and marching along the *Rhine*, detached two Squadrons of Horse under the command of the *Sieur Gaumont* and another Captain, to take an account of the Enemy, who fell into an Ambush, and being attacked by seven of the Enemies Squadrons, were forced to retire, among others, one of the Captains being killed. The 21 the Bridge was finished at *Rheinaw*, and the night following the *Marschal de Crequi* passed it with his right Wing, and the rest of the Army followed the next day.

The Duke of *Saxe* imagining the *Marschal's* intention was to go and attack *Offenbourg*, sent a detachment thither, and leaving another at *Fribourg*, marched himself with the rest of his Troops towards *Strasbourg*; at the same time the *Marschal de Crequi* advanced to observe the Dukes motions, and having sent several detachments to join the *Sieur de Monclar*, who had still followed the Enemy, and was advanced to the River *Rhin*, and the *Marschal* afterward arriving there in person, he commanded several Troops to pass the said River, and to attack the Enemies Rear, who marched with great diligence to shelter themselves under the Fort of *Kiel* near *Strasbourg*; the Enemy received our Troops at first pretty warmly, and the *Marquis de Rincoces*, who commanded our Cavalry, turning the same time to charge them, was killed, but our Troops pressing upon the Enemy, they were forced to retire in great disorder, leaving 3 or 400 of their men killed upon the place; the Duke of *Saxe* being himself wounded; and the slaughter would have been much greater, but that by the favor of the night, they got under the Cannon of the Fort of *Kiel*, and were permitted by the *Magistrates of Strasbourg* to pass their Bridge, and to post themselves in the Isle between the Bridge and the City, from whence, at the instance of the said *Magistrates*, the *Marschal de Crequi* granted them a Pass to march to *Ruchstaz*, as they accordingly did. Our Troops have burnt *Wilstet*, and a great quantity of Forage, which was laid up there. The Letters we have this morning from the *Marschal de Crequi's* Camp say, that having advice that the Duke of *Lorraine* advanced towards *Strasbourg*, and that he was encamped yesterday at *Haguenaw*, had caused his Cannon and six Battalions of Foot to repass the *Rhine*, the rest of his Army remaining in *Brifgow*.

*Strasbourg*, Sept. 24. The 18 instant the *Marschal de Crequi* came and encamped within a League of this City, and there continued till the 21, on which day about two in the morning, he decamped, and advanced towards *Rheinaw*, where the night following he passed the *Rhine*; in the mean time the Duke of *Saxe Eysenach*, retired with his Troops towards *Offenbourg*, having put 2000 men into *Fribourg* to defend that place. The *Sieur de Monclar*, after having burnt and plundered several Villages in *Brifgow*, followed him, and understanding that the Duke of *Saxe* was come to *Wilstet* (where he arrived yesterday) endeavoured to have got between him and this place, but came too late to accomplish his design, the Duke of *Saxe* having been very opportunely advertised by a Bore, of the Enemies march; whereupon he immediately sent Major General *Dunewalt* to command the Troops which he had left at *Fribourg*, and detaching 2000 men to *Offenbourg*, retired with his remaining Troops, which were not 4000 men, to the Fort of *Kiel*, where about 10 at night the French, being about 10000, the rest of their Troops not being come up, attack them; the Germans behaved themselves well, and especially the Regiment of *Wirtemberg*, but were at length forced to put themselves quite under the Cannon of the said Fort,

and afterwards to pass the Rhine. Of the Germans we do not allow here above 100 to have been killed, besides wounded; and we say the loss on the French side is as great; Monsieur de la Hye Brigadier being among other Officers killed, and a Captain of Horse brought prisoner hither. The French have burnt *Wilstet*, where was 1500 Load of Hay.

*Cologne, Sept. 24.* Our Elector has given out Commissions for the raising a Regiment of Foot to consist in 600 men, and to be commanded by Colonel *Neypraet*. His Electoral Highness designs likewise to raise a Regiment of Cavalry, but it is become a very difficult matter to find in these parts Horses fit for that use. The Emperor is to furnish his Electoral Highness with 3000 Foot, pursuant to the Treaty lately concluded between them, by virtue whereof, we expect he will now suddenly go and reside at *Bonn*. The French at *Maastricht* threaten that they will entire'y destroy the Dutchy of *Fuliers*, his Highness the Duke of *Nemburg*, to prevent the same, has sent his Deputies to *Maastricht* to treat with the French Intendant there. From *Alsace* our Letters give us an account, that the Marechal de *Craqui* had passed the *Rhine* above *Strasbourg*, and that that City was not without apprehensions that the French would make an attempt to destroy their Bridge, because of the passage they have permitted at several times to the Imperial Troops and those of the Circles, contrary to the obligation of their Neutrality.

*Brussels, Sept. 28.* On Sunday his Highness the Prince of *Orange* passed near this City in his return towards *Holland*, and in his way visited the Fort called the *Three Holes*; his Highness dined at *Vitruod*, accompanied by the Duke of *Albemarle*, the Earl of *Ossary*, the Earl of *Plimouth*, and several Officers of his own Army. The last night his Highness came to *Breda*, where he intended to rest as this day, and to be to-morrow at *Soestdike*. Yesterday Monsieur *Ouerkirke* went from hence to *Antwerp*, in order to embark in his Highnesses Yacht, which attends him there, not being able to take his journey by Land, by reason of the indisposition that continues upon him. Most of the Prince of *Oranges* Infantry will winter in these Provinces, if not all. His Highnesses Regiment of Foot-guards, and the four English Regiments, have orders to march to *Breda* and other places where they wintered the last year. The Duke de *Piñs Hermosa* is expected here in few days, and in the mean time has given orders for the fortifying of *Hall*, and the building of a Fort Royal at the entrance into the Wood of *Soigneux*, to secure the passage from hence to *Mont*, and to cut off the intercourse between *Aesh* and *Charleroy*. It is said that *Enghien* and *Nivelle* will be likewise fortified. The French Army continues still between the *Eis* and the *Schelde* near *Audenarde*: 24 great pieces of Cannon are disembarked here out of some Dutch Billanders, and are at present placed on our Market-place, his Excellency as they say having bought them. Baron de *Lumber* hath lately quieted his Regiment, as likewise the Marquis de *Morbeck*, being resolved to retire to his Estate in the French Territories; and, it's said, several other persons of quality will do the like if a Peace be not concluded this winter.

*Ghent, Sept. 30.* In our former, we told you, that the French had demanded a great Sum, by way of Contribution, from eight Villages or Parishes belonging to this City, which not having been paid, on Friday last the Marechal d' *Humieres*, with 7 or 8000 men passed the *Schelde* and came into the Land of *Neyke*. On Sunday we received a reinforcement of 800 Foot, and

100 Horse from *Eruges*. On Monday the French came to *Mariékirke*, where they passed the Canal of *Bruges*, and burnt the Villages of *Mentefede*, *Golihoufen*, *Ostacker*, *Dyftdonck*, *Laobrishi*, and *Dyftbergen*, with several fine Castles. Yesterday they returned again to *Neuel*, and this day are come again so near us that we discharge our Cannon upon them.

*Hague, Octob. 1.* On Wednesday his Highness the Prince of *Orange* arrived at *Honflaerdiike*, and this morning about 11 clock came hither. The Burghers, who had been in Arms from 6 in the morning, making a Lane in the several Streets his Highness passed; his Highness went directly to the Assembly of the States General, who received him by eight of their Deputies, as he alighted out of his Coach; having been in the said Assembly about an hour and half, he went to dine at *Sorgvissel*. We are told that his Highness is going for *England*, and that he may go hence in 8 or 10 days.

*Paris, Octob. 2.* The Letters we receive from *Alsace* tell us, that the Marechal de *Craqui* having passed the *Rhine* with part of his Vanguard, he had advice that the Duke of *Saxe Esylenach* was encamped on the River *Kyph*; whereupon he sent Orders to the rest of his Army to advance to join him; but in the mean time receiving information that the Duke of *Saxe* was retiring with all diligence towards *Strasbourg*, he advanced with the Troops he had with him, and those of the Sieur de *Monclar*, and fell upon the Enemies Rear, of which 3 or 400 were cut off, and pursued the rest under the Cannon of the Fort of *Kiel*. The next day the Magistrates of *Strasbourg* sent Deputies to the Marechal de *Craqui*, to desire he would grant a Pass to the said Troops to march to *Rabstat* in the Marquisate of *Baden*, which he accordingly did, sending one of his Guards, for whose safety and return the said Magistrates did engage to conduct them thither. From the Duke of *Luxemburg* Camp they write, that the 24<sup>th</sup> part, the Sieur *Beuge* was detached with 20 Squadrons of Horse, and 10 Battalions of Foot, to go and join the Marechal d' *Hannovers*, who had with 5 Regiments of Dragoons, 20 Squadrons of Horse, and 8 Battalions of Foot; he marches towards *Dixmaye*. We have this morning advice, that the Sieur de *Manslev* or *Clivet*, and the Sieur de *Monclar*, were come again on this side the *Rhine* to cover *Schlestadt*; and that the Duke of *Lorraine* was advanced to *Hagenaw*. On Thursday last the Cardinal d' *Estree* parted hence on his return to *Rome*.

*Woburn, Sept. 24.* This morning His Majesty, accompanied with his Royal Highness, and attended with several of the Nobility and other Persons of Quality parted thence for *Newmarket*, where His Majesty will pass some short time.

#### Advertisements.

THESE are to give Notice, That a Post will go every night to *Newmarket*, from the General Letter Office in *London*, during His Majesties stay there.

THESE are to give Notice, That the Elixir *Proprietas*, made with the Volatile Salt of *Tania*, so much desired and sought, hath been prepared by Doctor *William Fother*, Chymist in Ordinary to His Majesty, in the presence of ten of the chief of the Colledge of Physicians, and is now to be had at his Laboratory in the old Spring-garden, the next door to *St. James's Park Gate*; and at *Mr. C. E. S. Druggist* at the Sign of the *Maid* over against the *Mexes* at *Charingcross*; and at *Mr. Benjamin Bullivants* Apothecary at the *Bell and Dragon* in *Buckingham* near *Chapel-side*, with a Note of Directions with it.

LOST the 24<sup>th</sup> instant, out of the House of *Mr. Tho. Greeting* living in *Hartshorn Lane* near *Charingcross*, a large Silver Tankard weighing 28 Ounces Seven-penny weight, engraved with a Cipher of *Thomas and Joyce Greeting*. If any such is offered to be Sold, Pawn'd or Valued, stay it and the Party, and give speedy notice to *Mr. John Key* Goldsmith near *Charingcross*, and you shall have 10 s. Reward.

A Young Man in gray Cloaths, about sixteen years of age, slender of Body, light coloured lank hair, his upper lip swelled with the Evil, Gone from his friends in the Parish of *Endsld* with a considerable Sum of money in Gold and Silver, among it were some Medals of ancient Coyts. He rode away the 25 of this instant, on a sorrel Mare, about 14 hands, with a l ft down her back, bald faced, and but one eye, about 8 years old. Whoever can discover and secure him, giving notice to *Mr. John Wright*, or to *Mr. James Cook* at the Sign of the *Seven Stars* in *St. Pauls Church yard* Drapers, or to *Mr. Thomas Fletcher* at *Bull's Cross* in *Endsld* Parish, shall have 5 l. Reward.