

met with a *French* Merchantman of 300 Tuns, bound for the *West-Indies*, about 20 Leagues off *South Cape*, with whom he had a hot dispute, but that in conclusion the Merchantman being board'd by the Privateer, was, by what Accident, he knows not, blown up, with the loss of all her Men, except 3 or 4; that of those belonging to the Privateer, 47 were likewise kill'd in the Fight and by the said Accident, and all the rest, except six, wounded. From *Malaga* they write, that they have been in an extreme scarcity of Bread in those Parts, to that degree, that the People would certainly have mutin'd, had they not been prevented by the great prudence of their new Governour *Don Hieronimo de Quinones*.

*Ribnitz*, April 2. The *Brandenburgh* and *Lunenburgh* Troops being joined, make an Army together of 12000 men. They at present attack the Fortrefs of *Damgarten*, which is very well fortified, and provided with a good Garrison, besides 130 Reformed Officers that are there; and we are told that Count *Coningmarke* has resolv'd to endeavor the relief of it.

*Hamburg*, April 15. The Letters we receive from *Wismar*, say, that the *Brandenburghs* have made themselves Masters of *Damgarten*, of which we must expect a confirmation. We are here much troubled at the News we receive from *Spain*, that the Effects of this City have been arrested in that Kingdom, because of an Affront which had been offered here some time since to a *Spanish* Minister.

*Hague*, April 19. The States of *Holland* have granted the 200th Penny to be paid before the 15 of *June*, and the Placet for the raising the same, is made publick. His Highness the Prince of *Orange* is at present at *Breda*, from whence some speak as if he would make a step hither. From *France* we have Advice, that several *French* Merchantmen were arriv'd at *Rochelle* from the *West-Indies*, from whence they came under the Convoij of the Count *d'Estree*, whom they left on the Coast of *Portugal*, expecting farther Orders.

*Brussels*, April 19. We have Advice, that a Detachment of 20000 men, of those Troops which were quartered in the Countrey of *Hainault*, is march'd towards *Germany*, which gives us ground to hope, that *Mons* is not so straitly blocked up as before, and therefore his Excellency is preparing a Supply of several Necessaries, which are wanted there, to put into the place. The *Marschal d'Humieres* has taken a Review of all the Troops within the *French* Conquests, and the Officers, who had leave to be absent till the first of *May*, are now ordered to repair immediately to their respective Commands. *Don Pedro de Ronquillo*, one of the *Spanish* Ambassadors at *Nimeguen*, is expected here very suddenly, being appointed by the King to reside here, and to assist the Duke of *Villa Hermosa*, as first Minister; the Marquis de *Fuentes*, who was formerly design'd Ambassador for *England*, is to supply his place at *Nimeguen*. The *French* have summon'd the Magistrats of *Alost*, *Ninove*, *Grammond*, and of all the other open places of *Flanders*, as well as the Gentlemen in the Countrey, to come and take an Oath of Fidelity to their King, whose Subjects they pretend the taking of *Ghent* has made them.

*Ostend*, April 20. The 18 instant, 500 *English* Soldiers came on shore from on board the Frigats which brought them over from *England*, and were immediately sent by water to *Bruges*.

*Marseilles*, April 12. In our last we acquainted you with the News we had of the *Marschal de la Feuillade's* arrival at *Toulon*, which we have since confirm'd; and are further inform'd, that the *Marschal*, with the late Jurats of *Messina*, and other Persons of Quality (who are in a very sad condition, not having, it seems, had more than six-hours time to prepare themselves for the leaving their Countrey) are gone for *Paris*, to attend the King. The *French* Gallies who came from *Messina* at the same time with the *Marschal*, are not, as we hear of, yet arriv'd, which puts us in some pain for them, considering the bad weather they have had. A great *Dutch* built Ship belonging to this Town, on Board of which were 400 *Swissers*, being separated from the Men of War in the Storm, is said to be taken by two Privateers of *Zeland*. All the *French* Troops which come from *Sicily*, will be employ'd in *Catalonia*.

*Paris*, April 20. The *Marschal de la Feuillade* is arriv'd at Court, and has been very well received by the King. The Troops he brought from *Sicily* are transported to *Catalonia*, from whence, we hear, that the Duke de *Navailles* has besieg'd *Puyssarda*, and that when he has made himself Master of that place, he will besiege *Rozes*. The Kings departure remains fix'd for the 15 of the next month, and, it's said, he will make the journey from *St. Germain* to *Ghent* in four days. The Regiment of Colonel *Dungan* being given to Mr. *Hamilton*, is order'd to march to *Catalonia*.

*Whitehall*, April 13. The *Sieur Lindenaw*, Chamberlain to the King of *Denmark*, being arriv'd here in quality of his Envoy Extraordinary, hath had his Audiences of their Majesties, and of their Royal Highnesses, with the usual Ceremonies, being Conducted by Sir *Charles Cotterel*, Master of the Ceremonies.

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