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*Cadiz, Febr. 13.*

**T**HE 10th instant we had a most violent Storm in these Parts, in which near 50 laden Barks were Cast away, and all the Men in them lost. A Vessel belonging to *Hamburg* was stranded near *St. Lucar*, and several *English* Ships that were in this Port, were driven from their Anchors. Yesterday failed from hence a Fleet of about 50 *Dutch* and other Merchant-men homeward bound, under the Convoy of a *Dutch* Man of War.

*Malaga, Febr. 24.* The 4th instant two Pyrates of *Barbary* appeared within sight of this place, and took a Bark that was coming hither; that done, they sailed towards *Veliz*, and took out of that Road two Vessels laden with Fruits, that were at Anchor there. The 10th instant we had here a terrible Storm, in which four Ships, three *English*, and one *Dutch*, were driven ashore.

*Madrid, Febr. 24.* All things are preparing for the Kings Marriage. The new Queens Apartment is furnishing, and the Grandees and Ladies are providing great Trains, and rich Cloaths, especially those that are to attend the Queen at her Reception, and at the Solemnity of the Marriage; the time of it we shall not know, till we hear from the Marquis de *Los Balbaces*, whom we have already told you, the King has commanded to go his Ambassador to the French Court, to conclude his marriage with Mademoiselle d'*Orleans*. The King has given the Government of the Castle of *Antwerp*, to Don *Francisco Marcos de Velasco*, at present General of the Artillery in the Spanish Netherlands.

*Turin, Febr. 24.* We understand that a great many French Troops are come into *Dauphine*, where they have been mustered, and are found to consist of several thousand men. How they are to be employed, we are yet to learn; there are indeed reports abroad of the most Christian Kings intending to attack *Genova* or *Genoua*, but what ground there is for them, cannot say.

*Copenhagen, March 4.* Though almost all the Allies of our King have already made their Peace with France and Sweden, and we are told that even the Elector of Brandenburg is treating his, by the Minister he has at the French Court; yet all the discourse here is, of the continuing of the War, and of the preparations that are making in order thereunto; and the King has appointed a General Fast to be observed throughout his Dominions on the 7th of April, for the imploring the Divine Benediction on his Arms. By Passengers who came the 16 past from *Landscroon*, we have an account, that the King of Sweden was gone with a strong Convoy from *Helmstadt* to *Gottenburg*, where he purposed to stay some short time. The affair of Lieutenant General *Arendorf*, which was thought to have been laid aside, is revived again, and the King has appointed new Commissioners, who are to re-examine that whole matter.

*Hamburg, March 10.* We do not hear that the Treaty which the Sieur *Rabenac*, the French Minister, concluded at *Zell*, is yet ratified, but on the contrary we are assured, that the Elector of Brandenburg does very earnestly sollicite those Princes to continue the War, offering to give them in that case the Countries of *Halberstadt* and *Minden*, provided he remain possessed of *Pomeran*. The King of Denmark at the same time is not wanting to contribute what lies in him towards the disposing them to embrace this overture, that so while they continue united, they may with their joint Forces prosecute the War, or make such a Peace as may leave them possessed of the Conquests they have made.

*Ratisbonne, March 5.* The Dyet is now deliberating, whether they shall approve the Treaty lately concluded by the Imperial Ambassadors at *Nimeguen*; it hath been objected, That the advice and consent of the Dyet ought to have been asked, before those Ambassadors had proceeded to a conclusion, not only in the name of the Emperor, but likewise of the whole Empire; to which the Imperial Deputies have answered, That the time limited by France for the finishing the Treaty in, was so short, that it was impossible to consult the Dyet in it; but that the Emperor does not intend that what hath been now done in this case, shall be made a Precedent to their prejudice for the future, and therefore pressed, that considering the present state of things, they would, without any loss of time, give their consent to the ratifying the said Treaty, seeing it was by an Article of it expressly agreed, that the Ratifications should be exchanged within eight weeks, to be reckoned from the day of the signing.

*Frankfort, March 12.* What has been said of an Assembly of the Deputies of the Princes of the Empire being to be held here, for the consulting together, and taking such resolutions as may best secure its Peace and Tranquillity, will, it seems, prove a mistake; for not only the Ministers that we were told were expected, do not appear, but those that are here, are returning home. The Deputy of the Elector of Brandenburg parted hence yesterday; and the Envoy of the King of Denmark is preparing to follow this day, or to morrow. The Dyet at *Ratisbonne* is at present taken up in the debate of the Peace lately made with France; the Deputies of the Northern Princes use all the endeavors possible to persuade the Dyet not to ratify the same, and, among the other Arguments that are made, use of for that purpose, the Deputy of the Elector of Brandenburg offers in the name of his Master an Army of 28000 Men, to be employed for the defence of the Empire, in case the War be continued; but according to all appearance, the Influences of the Imperial Ministers, and those of other Princes that are inclined to the Peace, will be most prevalent in the Dyet.

*Strasburgh, March 14.* There passes now very little in these Parts worth writing. The Duke of

*Germany*, upon an Express he received from *Vienna*, is preparing for a Journey thither. The *French* are fortifying *Sellestadt*.

*Cologne*, *March 14*. The *French Troops* are marching to *Nijmegen*, *Zons*, and *Ardieghen*, intending, as they give out, to pass the *Rhine* there, and to fall into the Countrey of *Claues*, being commanded by the Count *de Montal*. The Duke of *Neuburg* is expected at *Dusseldorp* towards the end of this month. Our Magistrates having disbanded 300 Men of the Troops that are in Garrison here, the Bishop of *Munster* hath taken them into his service. From *Francfort* they write, that the Minister of the Elector of *Brandenburg*, who came thither to assist at the Assembly which was intended to be held in that City, had left the place, and was gone home; and that the Envoy of the King of *Denmark*, was preparing to do the like.

*Ghent*, *March 12*. Yesterday in the afternoon the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* arrived here, and was received with all the demonstration of joy that could be expressed. His Excellency intends to stay here five or six days to settle the Magistracy, and other matters relating to the Government of this City.

*Hague*, *March 14*. The debates of the States of *Holland* in their late Session, chiefly concerned the Revenues of the State, and the regulating several matters relating to the Farms, which are going to be let. The States of *Friesland* have given an answer to the Deputies of the States General, in the matter of the disbanding, by which they declare their persisting in their former Resolution, from which they say they cannot recede, without prejudicing that Sovereign Authority, which they have within their own Province, and without contradicting the practice of all former times in cases of the same nature, and this they fortify with several Arguments, too long to be here repeated. They of *Groningen*, it's believed, will answer after the same manner; and then we shall see what the States General will resolve in a matter, which they have judged of so much importance, as to concern themselves thus far in it. The City of *Amsterdam* hath not been able to hinder the Resolution, taken by the States of *Holland*, to have the Fortifications of *Naerden* gone on with, and the *Sieur Collier* is appointed by his Highness to have the care of that work, and it's probable he will be made Governor of the place. The Duke of *Zell*, we hear, has made the *Sieur Wicquefort*, who lately made his Escape out of Prison here, one of his Council. The Ministers of *Denmark*, *Brandenburg*, and *Munster*, at *Nimogen*, have accepted the Cessation of Arms, proposed some time since, to which the *French* will not now agree.

*Hague*, *March 17*: Don *Emanuel de Lyra*, who resides here in quality of Envoy Extraordinary from the King of *Spain*, hath, of late, very earnestly pressed the execution of the Article of the last Treaty of Alliance, between that Crown and this State, which says, that *Maastricht* should be given up to the *Spaniards*, and several Conferences have been held this week between the said Minister, and the Deputies of this State concerning this matter, but by what appears, the States are in no disposition to part with this place. That *Sieur Nicholas Conig*, who was Burgomaster of *Floris*, and displaced during the Comotions in the year 1672. is, at the desire of his Highness, restored to the place he formerly held in

the Magistracy of that Town. The *French Letters* which arrived yesterday, brought an account that that King had finally granted the Points insisted on by the Ambassadors of this State, relating to the Ceremonies to be used at their Publick Audience of his Majesty, which they were accordingly preparing themselves for.

*Paris*, *March 18*. The Marquis de *los Balbaces*, who is coming hither Ambassador Extraordinary from *Spain*, is now every day expected; the *Hôtel de Vendôme* is taken for him; and it's said he brings with him a greater Train and richer Equipage, than any Ambassador has of late done. The Marquis de *Boufflers* is marched with 5000 Dragoons to *Pignerol*, but many of his men have been lost in the Snow on the Mountains. The *Dutch Ambassadors* will now have their Publick Audience in a day or two, the King having granted what they insisted upon, which was, to be received with the same Honors and Respects that are shewed to the Ambassadors of the Republick of *Venice*. Several Troops march daily towards *Dauphine* and *Provence*.

*Pendennis*, *March 6*. Since our last, several Vessels, as well *English* as *Dutch*, are come into this Port from *France*; here are likewise some *Dutch Ships* from *Cadiz*. Yesterday sailed from hence a pretty good Fleet bound for *France*, but the Wind has been so shifting, that they could not get far, and some of them are come in again this morning.

*Portsmouth*, *March 9*. Yesterday morning arrived in *Cowes Road* the *Fonas* of *London*, in eight days from *Nantes*; the Master reports, that he understood there, that the *French Men of War* that are sitting out, are nearly ready to sail; and that the Scamen all along the Coast have been impressed, to man them.

*Whitehall*, *March 12*. The Yachts that carried their Royal Highnesses over for *Holland*, are come back, and by them we have an account, that they arrived in the *Maese* on Friday last in the evening; that the next morning their Royal Highnesses went ashore at *Maesland-luys*, and from thence passed to the *Hague*, where they arrived that afternoon, being received at their Landing by his Highness the Prince of *Orange*, and conducted in his Coaches to the house of the late Princess Dowager.

#### Advertisements.

The Theatre of the World: Or, A Prospect of Humane Misery. Composed first in Latin by *Peter Boyssau*, a *Brissian* by Birth, and afterwards done into French by himself. Translated into English by G. R.

*Oedipus*: A Tragedy. As it is Acted at his Royal Highness the Duke's Theatre. The Authors Mr. *Dryden*, and Mr. *Lee*. Both sold by R. Bentley and M. Magnes in *Russell Street* in *Covent-garden*.

THE King has Granted to the Right Honourable Sir Thomas Chicheley Kt. for a Market to be held in *Soham* in *Cambridgeshire* every Thursday, and three Fairs, viz. the 28th of April, the 26th of September, and the Monday next before St. John Baptist yearly.

Tolen from Mr. Thomas Edgar at *Walsoken* near *Witch* in *Northfolk*, of a Wednesday night, a chestnut colour Gelding about 14 hands, a blaze down his face, two white foot-locks, 1 hind, some saddle-spots, cut tail; a flesh brand on his near shoulder, about 7 years old. Whoever gives notice of the said Gelding to Mr. James Pigott at the *Blue Bear* in *Long-lane*, *London*, to Mr. Twelves at *Cambridge*, or to Mr. Edgar aforesaid, shall have Forty shillings reward.