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Francfort, June 12.

**T**Here being great ground to believe, that the French have a design upon *Philipsburg*, the Garrison there, is reinforced to 3000 Men, and besides, the Regiment of *Souches*, which consists of 2500 Men, and is now quartered at *Offenburg*, has Orders to march thither, upon the first intimation they have from the Governor of *Philipsburg* to that purpose. At the same time, care is taking to fill up the Magazines, with Ammunition, Provisions, &c. The French have again Summoned the Castle of *Falkenburg*, and have once more tried, how far either Threats or Promises will prevail with the Commander; but he continues firm in his Duty to his Prince, the Elector Palatine, so that it's now expected, the French will make use of their Arms to compel him; the Elector is preparing for it, and has sent to all the Princes his Neighbors, to demand Assistance; of this City, his Electoral Highness has desired 200 Men, but our Magistrates have excused it, being unwilling to give the Crown of *France* any occasion of offence.

*Strasburg*, June 11. The Bishop of *Strasburg*, and Prince *William* of *Furstemburg* are expected in these parts, and the Castle of *Muzick* near *Molsheim*, is preparing for them; The intention of their coming hither, is to get Prince *William* chosen Dean of our Cathedral, which Place is void by the death of Count *Manderscheir*; and the French Troops continue to march to the Camp at *Landaw*, where there is at present a considerable Army.

*Cologne*, June 18. It is now discoursed again, that there will be a meeting of the Emperor, and the Electors at *Ratisbonne*, or some other convenient place, to take such Resolutions, as may be proper in the present exigency of Affairs. We are told that a *Manifesto* is published, by which the Bishop of *Strasburg* asserts his Pretensions upon that City, which is the more taken notice of at this time, for that the French are drawing together so considerable an Army in *Alsace*, and that it's believed, the Bishop is sure of the assistance of that Crown, to make good his Pretensions. The Elector of *Mentz* having had his Residence for some time at *Erfort*, is removed from thence to *Mentz*, because the Plague is broke out there. The French Troops on the *Saar*, will be in a Body on the 24th Instant, under the Command of the Marquis de *Soufflers*.

*Bruges*, June 21. The News we have of a Defensive Alliance being concluded between *England* and *Spain*, occasions a great deal of Joy in these parts, and has raised peoples Spirits from the dejection the apprehensions of the Designs of the French, put them into. We are told that the King of *Spain* is resolved not to quit the Title of *Burgundy*.

*Brussels*, June 25. On Sunday last the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* went for *Antwerp*, from thence he goes

for *Flanders*, and will not be back till the middle of the next month. The Duke of *Norfolk* is returned hither from *England*

*Brussels*, June 28. His Excellency continues at *Antwerp*, without being hitherto able to obtain the Subsidies he demands. The last night arrived our Spanish Ordinary, by which we have Letters from *Tangier* of the 22 past, giving an Account, That there was a Truce concluded between the Town and the Moors for Four months; That by the Article it was stipulated, that *Pole Fort*, and *Norwoods* Redoubt should be quitted, but that the other Three Forts, *Fountain*, *Cambridge*, and *Bridges* should remain as they were; That within three days the *Alcayde* should demolish his Batteries and Lines, withdraw his Cannon, and retire with his Army; and that during the Truce, the Town should have liberty to Graze their Cattel in the adjacent Fields. From the Frontiers they write, that the French King was expected there about the middle of the next month; and that the Prince of *Conde* will attend him in his Progress. The French Commissioners at *Courtray* have Declared, that immediately after the expiration of the Term sett by their King, for the Spaniards to give their positive Answer in, concerning the Title of *Burgundy*, five thousand French Horse will enter into the Countrey of *Alost*, and Quarter there, till the King their Master have satisfaction in that point. On the other side we are not a little encouraged, by the News we have from *England*, of a Defensive Alliance being concluded between that Crown and *Spain*; and by the Advice we receive from *Holland*, That the States-General have promised to send Fourteen Battalions to strengthen our Garrisons; and that besides, they intend to have a Flying Army this Summer near *Breda*, to be ready to assist us, as there may be occasion.

*Hague*, June 25. The Marquis de *Bourgomano* returned on Sunday last from *Dieren*, where the Heer *Zitters*, who is going Ambassador to *England*, has likewise been to take his leave of the Prince. The Heer *Starenberg* is gone this morning to make the same Compliment to his Highness, designing very speedily to begin his Ambassy to *France*. The States-General, upon what their Consul at *Argiers* has writ them, have directed the several Admiralties to take care, not to grant any Passports, but to such as are really Subjects and Inhabitants of these Provinces, that so that Government may not have any pretence to break the Peace on that account. From *Mosco* we have Advice, that the Czar was sending an Envoye hither, to make several Proposals concerning Commerce, and particularly, to acquaint this State, that the Czar desired to have French Wines brought directly from *France* to *Archangel* in French Vessels, where the Merchant shall be paid for the same in ready Money, or else in other Commodities as he shall choose. The Prince of *Friesland* has been very ill, but is at present much better, and in a hopeful way of Recovery. From *Sweden* they write