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West-Comes, May 27.

This day went up towards Southampton, on the North-shoar of this Island, three Prizes; their Names and Lading we know not.

Falmouth, May 29. This day a Swedish Vessel arriving here, informes us, That in her way hither from Burness in France, from whence she came the 26. h. Instant, she met yesterday with five French Men of War off the Mounts-bay, by whom she was commanded aboard, and presently after dismiss and cleared; that they were all of them well Mann'd: and, that farther off at Sea they discovered fifteen Sail more of the same Fleet; two of those five ships haled nearer the shoar than the rest, where they fired some Guns, and returned again to Sea.

Zurich, May 12. The Deputies sent from the City of Geneva, to the Diet at Araw, have orders to apply themselves particularly to the several deputies from the Cantons of Bern, Zug, Friburg, and Soleure, together with the Resident from France, to give them a true information and account of the Original, and whole progress of affairs between that City, and the Duke of Savoy, the better to take off the prejudice that might have been wrought in them by Monsieur Millet, and to endeavor to continue and encrease the good understanding between these Cantons, and the Republicque.

The Dukes forces quarterd about Rumilly and Annecy, begin to grow weary of the places where they lie; desiring to be employed in service or to march back again into Piedmont: Five of the new raised Troops of the Savoy horse are compleated and disposed of into Quarters; The Officers of the other Companies are speedily to receive their moneys, to arme and furnish up their Numbers, by which time we suppose we may make some guesse at the designs and intentions of that Duke: whose answer to the late letters sent to him from the Cantons, is daily expected.

Cologne, May 29. From Erford we are told, that all affairs are like to be fairly carried between the two Electors of Mayence and Saxe, and that by an agreement made between them, the former is to pay to the latter 100000 Rix-dollers in lieu of those Lands that belong to the City of Erford, which is left to the free disposal of the Elector of Mayence, and that 33000 Rix-dollers were paid at Leipzig the 25 instant, as part of the sum agreed for.

There are at present two French Ministers in the Court of his Highness the Elector of Mayence, one as Envoye, the other as Resident, who arrived the 25 instant, introduced in his Highness's Coach, who so effectually deal with that Elector, that 'tis believed none of the forces intended to be sent from the Emperour, for the succor of the Spanish Netherlands, will be permitted to pass through that Country.

Vicna, May 22. His Imperial Majesty continues still at Luxemburg, His return hither being not expected before the seventh or eighth of June: Frequent Councils are there held, to consider, what is fittest to be done in this present conjuncture of Affairs, especially upon the late Invasion of the Low-Countries by the French. 'Tis said, the Emperour intends to send succours to those Countreys, but, in what number is not yet known: However, the French Resident gives out, That his Master intends not a Rupture, if he be not first provoked to it by the Spaniards.

By a late Courier from Spain, the Ambassador from that Crown has received Orders to continue his Charge in this Court, and to receive the Fiefs and Investiture of the Duchy of Milan and the Low Countries.

Another Courier is lately arrived from the Marquis de Castel Rodrigo, with a full relation of the French March into, and Design upon the Spanish Netherlands; with the large Pretensions of the King; against whom, he has already an Army of 20000. Men; but desires the assistance of the Emperour, for the carrying on the War against so powerful an Invador.

Alsatia is in great apprehensions of the French Forces expected in those parts, of which they have made their humble Remonstrance to the Emperour; shewing the prejudice the Empire may receive, by the prevalency of the French, who are upon their March towards them. The Agent from Burgundy having much enlarged himself upon the same Subject; tearing much, lest that Dutchy may be suddenly surpris'd by them, it being comprehended within the pretensions of the King of France. Alli sebecibi, with the Visier of Buda's Aga are not yet dismiss'd; nor will be permitted to depart, till the Court be better satisfied concerning the Turks resolution, in relation to little Commorra. In the mean while the Hungarians and Cossagues continue in Armes; having an eye to the Motion and Action of the Turks; being in readiness to oppose them, in case they attempt any thing against the Peace.

From Eperies we are informed, That the Turks and Tartars are got into a body, and intend to make an irruption into Poland; and, that the Count Solenni, who was thought to have succeeded in the place of Abassi, was suspected by the Turks, not to have that Zeal for their Religion which he pretended to: upon which account, he has been publicly told; That, if he give them any farther cause to suspect his Indifferency, as to the Mahometan Religion, he cannot expect less from them, than a perpetual Prison; and, his Commands to be bestow'd upon the Count Tokely: which argument, ('tis believ'd.) may sufficiently Convince him, and fix him a perfect Mussel-man.

A Courier, lately arrived from Poland, has endeavoured to assure the Emperour, in the behalf of his Master, That nothing shall be wanting on that side, that he can contribute for the maintenance of Amity, and good Correspondency with His Imperial Majesty; with a Promise to quit the French Interest, which is also the sense of the Archbishop of Gnesne, the Primate of that Kingdom. They suddenly expect the return of their Ambassador from the Ottoman Court; and, with him, the Resolution of the Grand Seignor, either for War or Peace.

Hamburg, May 30. Letters from Warsaw of the 20. h. Instant, seem full of Joy, for the good success, and ending of the Diet; by which the Peace and Tranquillity of that Kingdom seems to have taken good root, and will probably be daily more establish'd: The main Points agreed to this Session, were, The Act against the propounding a Successor to that Crown, during the life of the present King; and, the other, for Chimney, or Family-Money, towards the payment of the Arrears of the Army; all other Affairs being referred to the next Diet, which will be called in January next: His Majesty hath, since the ending of this Diet, been abroad to take the air, and to divert Himself after His cares and troubles; The whole Kingdom is heartily desiring He would again think of Marriage; and, 'tis said, that the Czar of Muscovy hath made some proposalls for a Daughter of His; with whom He will give Smolensko, Sibiria, and that part of Ukrania He got in the late Wars, and at present enjoys by the Treaty: what foundation this report may have, we know not. Though the Affair is between the Swedes, and the City of Bremen be now fully concluded, here is yet no mention made, either of Demolishing the Swedes Bourg, or of their March out of the

Duke of Bremen, Pomerania, or any other of their Quarters. From Westphalia we are inform'd, of new Levies in those Countreys; and from Ertford, that the Fortification of Petersbourg is much forward: The Field Heer-*Wranzel* is daily expected back again at *Stoadt*.

Venice, May 27. By a Vessel arriving here in 14 days from Zante, we are informed that a Tartan from our Armata brought thither news, that several of the Enemies Gallies were come out from the *Dardanelli*, and were so much favoured by the wind, that they got safe to *Suda*, none of our Armata being able to come up with them. That at their landing they found the Island and the Turkish Army in extreme want of provision, insomuch as many of them were already dead with hunger, and many more had deserted the service and fled over to our people, who furnish them with vessels to imbarque them for what places they desired. Their expectations having been defeated by the routing of the Carravan or Convoy from *Alexandria*, has made them almost desperate. The Visier himself finding his Army to amount to 50000 men, and little hopes of supplying them with proportionable Victuals, is resolv'd to hurry them on to the siege of *Candia*, where they have already rais'd their Batteries against the Fort *S. Demetrius*, which is as stoutly defended, and the shot returned with interest and some damage to the besiegers. Our Garrison is plentifully stor'd with all sorts of Necessaries, and encouraged by the fresh Succours lately put in there by his Excellency *Morofini*, and by those others that they are every day expecting, under the conduct of *Giustiniano*, who is before this arriv'd at the Armata: which at the departure of this Tartan was riding between *Suda* and *Grabuse*, with whom were also joyn'd several Christian Corsaires, to hinder the putting in of any Vessels into *Canea* for the supply of the Turks necessities.

The Convoy design'd hence under the command of Signior *Labis*, is ready to put to Sea, with considerable quantities of provision, and supplies of men, moneys and ammunition.

On Monday the Procurator *Priuli* made his Entry, and took possession of his charge, being accompanied with at the least 400. of the Nobility.

This following Account, as more authentick, of the Motion of the French in the Spanish Netherlands, we give you; being the substance of a Letter written from the French King.

From the Camp at *Charles-Roy*, June 2. My last Relation being from the Camp at *Villeport*, we since came to lodge the 30 past at *Lavenieres* near *Bauay*, and the 31 to *Pereuanne le Val* near *Binche* 3 and yesterday to *Preston*, upon the little River bearing the same name. We have had continual rains, which has occasioned much trouble to us, and somewhat tired out our Troops, but two daies of remission will refresh them. The Duke de *Coastin*, with *Des Fourneaux* Bregade, the Queens Company, and 60 of our Guards having been abroad upon a party, returned yesterday without any adventure; as for *Piloy* he only met with a party of 50 horse, which did not stand him, of whom he took three, with one Reformed Officer. Before I came hither to *Charles-Roy*, *Podinis* who was by *Duras* sent out with two Bregades of Horse, and 1600 Foot, commanded by the Count de *Sault*, took possession of *Charles-Roy*, which I have since taken a full view of, and find the Bastions much ruined, but the out side generally so perfect and whole, that in few daies we shall make it a very considerable Post, especially by the diligence that I make them use in working at it, having employ'd the Cavalry about the Fassinnes and Pallisadoes, and so dispos'd of all things, that the place with its fortifications, will be suddenly put into a good condition, for which purpose I am resolv'd to pass some little time, which I can easily dispence with in this place. The Country about *Liege*, brings us in provisions, and all sorts of conveniences in great abundance, both by Land, and by the *Sambre*: 'Tis true, the Peasants of *Brabant*, which yet fancy themselves to be Subjects of *Spain*, do sometimes break loose upon us, and amongst others have killed one of

my Guards, and one of the Light-horsemen belonging to my Son, but I have order'd it to be publish'd amongst them, that as those which keep within their Forts, shall receive no prejudice at all by my forces: So those others of them that lie lurking in the Woods, shall not have any quarter given them: and to be as good as my word with them, I shall to-morrow send out parties of Foot into all parts of those Woods: during our march, several applications have been made to me for protection, and particularly by the inhabitants of *Nivelle*, but believing that such paper-protections as I could send them, would not be satisfactory enough, especially, to souldiers that cannot read, I sent two of my Guards to them, but a party of Spaniards meeting with them, took them prisoners, and still retain them, although contrary to the practice of War, that have been more violently carried on then this. Yesterday I was at *Binche*, where I went to the Church, and was received with the Acclamation of *Vive le Roy*. I visit'd the Castle there, and went round about the Ramparts, and having assured the Inhabitants of my protection, and all kind of good usage, I left there *Miremont* a Captain in the *Turenne* Regiment, with 300 Foot, and 100 Horse, *Duras* will be here to-morrow, our Baggage cannot come up to us, yet these three daies, which much incommodes us: to conclude this Relation, I am just now told of one Horseman, who was set upon by three Peasants armed with guns, whose shot he fortunately escaping, killed all three of them, with his two Pistols and Sword.

Hague, June 10. Our Fleet consisting of 59. most capital ships, besides Fireships, set sail from the *Texell* Monday last, which we expect will be followed with all the haste they can by the Viceadmiral *Sweers*, and the Rearadmiral *Gideons Vanderbourg*, who remain here. Yesterday they were seen to pass before *Scheveling* and the *Maes*. The *Zealand* Squadron is not yet out, and some of the *Friesland* Squadron are also left behind. We fear the *Swedes*, and are therefore sending some Forces towards *Groninghen*. The *Raadt Pensionaire* arriv'd here from the Fleet the 8. in the morning.

Ostend, June 12. The French since their success upon *Berghes*, have taken in the small Fort of *Linke*, and by the shooting we hear hath been about *Furnes*, we fear the fate of that place: The French Camp continues at *Charles-Roy*, which lies eight leagues from *Brussels*, five from *Mons*, and as many from *Namurs*: But the King is gone to meet the Queen at *Avesnes*, where she was to arrive the 9th instant, having lodg'd the 8th at *Guise*.

Plymouth, May 31. Here is lately brought in a Vessel of 260 Tuns laden with Salt, Wines, Brandy, and some Cloth from *Nants*: The Skipper pretended to belong to *Stettin* in *Sweden*, and that he had the *Swedes* pass; but upon a stricter examination they confess the contrary, the men being all *Dutch*, the ship and goods belonging to *Rotterdam*.

Ditto. Yesterday was sent in hither a pretended *Hamburgh* Hoy; which, to avoid the chase given her, ran her self on shore, but was again brought off with some damage, having taken in six or seven foot water in the Hold. They pretend that the cause of their running away was, that having been some days before plundered by a *Wlushing* Privateer, they were inform'd by that Caper of two *Turks* Men of war that were riding off this Sound, for one of which they took the Vessel that gave them chase.

Portsmouth, June 4. On Saturday were brought in hither two ships believed prizes, one of them laden with Wine and Salt, the other with Flax and Copperas.

Dedde, June 4. Here is even now arriv'd a small Spanish ship from *Bilbao*, telling us, that he saw off of *Dover* 18 sail of ships, which he supposes to be Frenchmen of War.

Dover, June 4. This afternoon the *Saphire* being in this road, weigh'd anchor, and went towards the river, having discovered 40. or 50. sail coming from the S. upwards, suppos'd to be the French Fleet. By some persons newly arriv'd from *Flanders* we are told, that yesterday morning the French took in *Furnes*.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer, in prosecution of the Payments, are come to the payment of the 309. Order in number, and so are to proceed successively in course, as the Orders stand registred.