

Rome, June 4. On Thursday last the Colledge of Cardinals assisted at a Mass of the Holy Ghost, to desire a Blessing upon the Great Business of the Election; from whence they went in Procession to the Conclave, where they are now immured: Of the whole number only four are absent, viz. the Cardinals *D' Arragon, Moncada, Visconti* and *De Thun*; and of those at home four others are fallen ill, viz. *Santa Croce*, and *Donghi*, of slight distempers; and 'tis believed will to morrow assist at the election; but *Daudinelli* and *Pallavicino* are very dangerously ill, and despaired of by their Physicians. It is believed this Conclave will prove long and tedious, there being many pretenders, and numerous Factions; I is said Cardinal *Chigi* hath already excluded Cardinal *Rospigliosi*, a Creature of his own; and Cardinal *Imperiale* and *Arzolino*, two of the chief of the Squadron, have declared against Cardinal *Farnese*. Cardinal *Rosetti*, in his return to *Rome*, was received with great applause, the people calling him the true Prophet of the miseries they suffered under the late Pope.

Rome, Ditto. On Saturday night last died Cardinal *Sforza Pallavicino* (a Roman, and Creature of Pope *Alexander* the seventh, of his first promotion in April 1657,) in the 60 year of his age, his body having been opened and embalmed was privately carried to the Church of *Jesus*, where in State it was on the Tuesday following exposed to publick view, and that night buried at the Jesuites Church of *Saint Andrews*.

On Sunday night died the Cardinal *Volunio Bandinelli*, (of the same Popes Creation in his second promotion the 29th. of April, 1658.) in the 77 year of his age, his body embalmed was conveyed to the Church of *S. John Laterano*, and thence to the New Tomb of Pope *Alexander* the third.

Lispenburg, June 12. Yesterday sailed hence the two French with seven Danish men of War to convoy them, having also under their protection a Fleet of 120 Merchant ships: both Dutch and Danes are in great fears for the Fleet; 80 Merchants which were chased and dispersed by some English Fregats, who have taken several of them, sunk one of their Convoyers, and forc'd on shoare the Yacht that tended them, We hear not yet of any of them that are as yet come in to *Gottenburg, Malstrand*, or any of those Ports.

Cologne, June 13. From *Ratisbonne* we are informed, that the Diet is now fallen into a close debate upon the regulation of their Policy, especially in three points. 1. For the prevention of Duells, by imposing severe punishment upon all persons throughout the Empire, who shall offend in that nature. 2. For encouragement of Trade and Commerce in all parts of the Empire. 3. For the Regulation of abuses crept into Trades, and to make some general rules that may comprehend all. The Emperor has by his letters commanded them to summon all their absent members to the Diet, that the great Affaires and Concernments of the Empire may be debated in a full Assembly.

Letters from *Alsacia* tell us, that the King of France endeavours to persuade that Country, that he intends not any violence to the Articles of the Peace at *Munster*, but only to pursue the Rights of his Queen: and that the only design of sending his Forces amongst them, is to hinder the Use of *Austria* from giving assistance to those Countreys which are his, declaring them to be enemies to the Empire, that shall any wayes contribute to their defence, in giving them any succors.

We are advertised from *Metz*, that the King of France will oblige the Duke of *Lorraine* to give up to him *Hambourg* and *Landsstel*, and that the City of *Nancy*, formerly one of the strongest Fortresses of Europe, is, by the taking away their Forces, left so weakly guarded, that it lies at the mercy of every little flying party, to the great discontentment of the Duke, and the general trouble and distraction of the whole Duchy: The Duke has secured some Moneys, Plate and Jewels, with the richest of his Furnitures, and Papers of importance in *Stratsburg*, which 'tis believed he will suddenly follow in Person, if the French, who have an eye upon him, prevent it not.

Ghent, June 28. *Armentiers* is strongly fortifying, ex-

pecting the French Forces, we are confidently informed, that the French since the taking in of *Tournay*, made some show of besieging *Courtrick*, but suddenly turning about, are fallen upon *Lille*.

Brussels, June 29. On Friday the 24th. *Tournay* was yielded to the French, having sustained their assaults with much Courage and Resolution, and great damage to the French, who notwithstanding, coming furiously on with a body of 15000 Men, at the first storm made themselves Masters of the Outworks, and at the second of the inward works and the walls, which obliged the City to call for quarter, whereupon the King gave them their conditions, which were, that all persons should enjoy their employments for seven years, and for three years be exempted from Taxes; The King only demanding that Victuals might be given to his soldiers for their money: the Town being lost, the Marquis de *Tresigny* the Governor retired to the Castle, which he defended for six hours longer, and then surrendered also the next morning upon honourable conditions. The French since faced and summoned *Oudenard*, but the Governor refusing, and having well fortified himself, though with the ruine of the Suburbs, the French marched away, since 'tis now strongly reported that they have besieged *Douay*, which being but weakly manned, 'tis feared may fall into their hands. The King of France has ordered the speedy Levies of 20000 men which are to be sent to him to put into the Towns he takes; and by that means to keep his Army entire.

Porsmouth, June 19. An *Hamburgh* Galliot arriving here from *Martinego* informs us, that about ten weeks since some of our English Fregats had been before *St Christophers*, where they had burnt a Dutch ship of 30 Guns, and a French man of War; and the 11 great French Merchant ships, six whereof carried from 26 to 32 guns, and others from 14 to 16 guns, had withdrawn themselves into close harbor for their security.

Landguard, June 20. Yesterday between 40 and 50 of the Dutch Fleet appeared upon this Coast, in the *Stedway*, ever against *Bardsey Ferry*, where they continued all the day till at 7 in the evening: 2 of them with a small Hoy made near the shoar, and put out their Long-boats, filling them with men, but upon appearance of some Horse upon the shoar retreated back again to the Fleet. This morning appeared about 100 Sail of all sorts, whereof 30 about 10 of the clock stood in towards this Fort, as far as the Tide would permit them, where they came to an anchor.

Harwich, June 22. The 19th. instant the Dutch Fleet appeared, sailing down to the Gun-Fleet; and about 11 of the clock we made them about 40 sail great and small; who upon the firing of some guns, came there to an anchor, only four or five of the smallest of them plying up and down towards the *Stedway*, or *Bardsey Sands*: The 20th. in the morning they sailed out between *Longsand* and *Bardsey-sand*, but at noon returned again, being about 50 sail. The 21 some of their ships were seen plying to and fro, whereof two stood in for some time towards this place; but veering about, stood off again towards the *Stedway*, where in the evening several guns were fired. This morning one of their ships was observed to be on ground about *Bardsey-sands*.

Alborough, June 22. On Friday 11 sail were at Anchor in this Bay, from whence they sent out a boat to the shoar to have stolen Sheep, and to attempt the Light-Houses, but were prevented, and forced off again, without any hurt done. The whole Fleet are in sight to the Southwards, but they have little wind, and that at North-east; the 11 sail are still in the Bay, and fired Guns all the last night.

Whitehall, June 23. On Thursday last in the morning died at *Richmond*, after a long and tedious distemper, His Highness the Duke of *Cambridge*, eldest son to His Royal Highness, to the great affliction of their Majesties, their Royal Highnesses, and the whole Court.

This day by an Express arrived from *Scotland*, we are advised, that there is lately taken and brought in a very considerable Vessel, being a Dutch East-India ship, outward bound, having in her 74 brass Guns in her hold, besides 26 mounted, with a valuable lading of necessary supplies for the Indian Trade.