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Plymouth, June 21.

**Y**esterday were brought in hither two French ships prizes, one of 30 Tuns laden with Wine and Vinegar, the other of 200 Tuns, with Salt and Brandy; who credibly inform us, that the French Fleet have left the Coasts, and are returned to Brest.

A small Privateer of eight Guns, Captain Sadlington Commander, hath taken an Amsterdam Vessel of 14 guns, with a Commission, but laden with Corne, and being the 17 instant riding close under the French shore, saw the French Fleet of 24 Sail standing into Brest, which (as he was informed) were but thin manned, and very indifferently victualled. We are also told of another Prize laden with the Norway trade, that has been taken and carried into Kingsale.

Harwich, June 24. Yesterday Sir Joseph Jordan with the Little *Lenox*, a small Galliot Hoy of this place, and two small Fireships, went out to take a view of the Enemies Fleet, a part whereof consisting of 10 or 12 great ships, and as many small Vessels, amongst which number was *De Ruyter* himself, and three other Flag ships lay about four Leagues off from this Town: Sir Jo. with his little Vessels came up as well as the Wind would permit, within much less then Cannon shot of the Admiral, to so near a distance, that they could tell his Guns, though the weather was then hazy, which the Enemy perceiving, with incredible haste slipped Anchor, and let fall their sails, and made away with much confusion and disorder, leaving behind them only one Vice Admiral at Anchor very much to the Windward of us: One little Frigate with a long boat from their Admiral ship, that had both of them the Wind of us, were afterwards sent out, which our men endeavored to have drilled to a convenient distance from their Fleet, but after two or three Tacks and several shots passed at a distance, they made away and returned to their Fleet.

Genova, June 1. We are here expecting with some impatience the Duke of Savoy's answer, to the Letters sent him from the Evangelical Cantons. The Savoyards still threaten us with hostility; and have drawn together the Peasants, and furnished them with Armes and Ammunition, rayning them up to War. We are also assured that they have sent some Troops of horse, and Companies of Foot to Thonon, Evian and other Towns in the Duchy of Chablais, and are providing themselves with boats, but with what particular intentions we know not.

The Count St. Maurice, the Savoye Ambassador in France is returning in Post, having presented the Dauphin with a Drum richly covered with precious stones.

The Abbot of Wadeville, the King of Spains Commissary General in the Franche Country, arrived lately at Berne, and from thence went for Zurich, intending to pass by Lucerne to Visit all the Cantons, and afterwards to be present at the General conference at Baden, pressing hard for the continuation of their Alliance with Spain.

Vienna, June 12. The Emperor has thought it necessary to inform the Princes his Neighbors of his intentions upon the late sudden Invasion of the Spanish Netherlands by the French, and is resolved for this purpose to dispatch the Count Radolph de Simserdorf to the Marquis de Baden, and is to pass from thence to the Duke of Wurtemberg, and afterwards to the Princes Electors upon the Rhine, and so to the Duke of Neubourg, and Bishop of Munster, and in his return to the Duke of Brunswick and Lunenburg, to con-

fer with them about that great affair, to prevent the Inconveniences which thereupon may befall the Empire, and to persuade them to send assistance to the Invaded Provinces, and to suffer his forces to march through their Countries as they shall have occasion. A Courier is likewise sent to the Residents in the Courts of their Highnesses the Electors of Saxony and Brandenburg, and another to the Resident at Hamburgh, Monsieur Lutaw, and from thence to Stockholm, to the Sieur Basseroche, with order that he endeavor to dissuade the Swedes from following or closing with the Interests of France. The Spanish levies advance much upon the late returns of money from Spain for that purpose. The Emperor being resolved to add to them ten Regiments, and upon their Muster to give order for new levies.

From Constantinople we are advised, that a great fine is laid upon the French Merchants upon a discovery made, that they have for a long time defrauded the Emperor of his Tolls and Impositions.

The Turks begin to draw their Forces together about New-hausel and other places, but with what design is not yet discovered, but the Frontiers are by it put upon their Guards.

Cologne, June 15. The Council of Spain hath ordered that no French shall be suffered to continue in any City of the Franche Country, under the Spanish jurisdiction, which they have already begun to put in execution, the people there much fearing a surprize; apprehending that some design is framing against them; and so much the rather, because the Governor of Dole has lately kept more then usual guards about that City, which he intends to continue till he shall receive farther Order from the King of France his Master, having several times secured the Spaniards there, without giving them any reasons of his procedure against them. The Abbot of Wadeville is negotiating the affairs of that Country with the Cantons, to sound their intentions, as to their alliance with Spain. They have also sent an Express to the Imperial Court, to press for the Succors expected thence, which their Deputy at Ratisbonne would seem to assure them of; and that the whole Empire is inclined to give assistance to the Spanish Netherlands.

From Lorrain we are assured, that the Duke of Lorrain having secured the greatest part of the Treasure in Strasbourg, had sent a Courier to Monsieur de Lyonne, desiring him to employ his Interest with the King of France, that the Lorrain forces might again return to his service, which he had not raised without necessity, for the guard and defence of his Duchy: but that he had no other return made him from the King, but that he would keep the Forces in his service, and was as able to pay them as the King of Spain.

The Forces of the Princes of Luxembourg and Brunswick, are fit for service, consisting of 12000 men, and lie ready to defend those Countries against any invasion. The Bishop of Munster is raising forces, which he pretends shall be employed only for the defence of his own Country, but the Moneys which are returned to him upon the French account by the Merchants of Amsterdam, persuade to the contrary.

Venice, June 17. Our last letters by the way of Otranto, from our Armata, bearing date the 17<sup>th</sup> past, advise us that a Squadron of our Fleet, discovering seven of the Turks Gallies making for Canea gave Chase to them; and had great hopes of reaching them, but that the wind suddenly chopping about, favored their design so well, that they got safe into Canea, but being not laden with Provisions, but only Men and Ammunition, this additional number will only encrease their wants, all sorts of Victuals being very scarce amongst them. The Basha is not yet resolved to assault Candia, what-