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Batavia, July 23.

**T**He King of this Country has resolved to send an Ambassador for England, to His Majesty; his first purpose was to have for that Voyage employed a Ship of his own, called the *Bonitas*; but finding she could not be fitted with that speed he desired, nor be supplied with European Mariners, he has now Declared his intention of sending this Ambassador upon the *London*, a Ship belonging to the East-India Company, who is to have a Train of 25 or 30 Persons. The French had lately five Ships in this Harbor, whereof two are gone for Surinam, one for the Coast, one for *Siam*, and the other remains yet in this Port, bound for *Europe*, having on board three Ambassadors from the King of *Siam*, with about 30 Followers. For Presents they have two Elephants, besides many Curiosities and Rarities.

*Batavia, Aug 19* The great hopes the English had of the China Trade, are quite lost, by the total subversion of their Factory at *Amoy*, the Tartars having possessed themselves of that whole Island.

On the 6th of *March* 1680, we had a report that the Tartars Fleet was put to Sea, and had forced a Squadron of this King of *China's* Ships to retire from *Haying*. About the same time the Tartars drew down some Land Forces in several places towards the Shore, and fired several Towns and Villages.

On the 8th of *March*, *Sabat*, who had formerly served the Tartars, but then the King of *China's* Favorite, was upon the discovery of his holding a correspondence with the Tartars, cut in pieces.

This execution did for the present appease the People, until the 13th of *March*, when their fears were again renewed by the return of the Kings Fleet to *Deculor*, which though they only did to take in Wood and Water, yet the report being, that they were fled from *Haying* for fear of the Tartars, the whole Island was in a great consternation.

The 14th in the Morning they were again alarmed, by the news they had of the Revolt of the *China* Army, which was thus occasioned;

The King of *China* had Lodged at *Sumia Siva*, a place upon the *Main* (which while they held, was a safeguard to *Haying* and *Amoy*) an Army of 15000 Men, or more, Commanded by an able General, where they had lain above a year, so strongly Posted, that the whole Power of the Tartars could never have removed them; but the King to allay the fear of the People, or for some other reason, having Commanded the Army to desert that strong Hold, and to draw towards *Haying* and *Amoy* to defend them, the Commanders and Soldiers were so displeas'd thereat, who now look'd upon all as lost, that they presently Revolved, and fell to plunder *Sheba*; and that night, one of the Captains that had the charge of the Gate, delivered up *Haying* to the Tartars.

This News put all *Amoy* into confusion, and immediately all people hurried aboard the Juncks, and the next Morning, their own Vessels of War drew down before the Town of *Amoy*, and fell to plunder it; which the King of *China* being informed of, fled with his Women on board his Juncks, in such haste, that they left all their Plate and Apparel behind them; the King after he was embarked, sent his Servants to fire his Palace, that the Tartars might not enjoy so pleasant a Fabrick; and then collecting his Fleet together, which consisted of 200 Merchant Juncks, he stood away for *Tywan*. Upon the news whereof, the War-Juncks, who were before resolved to expect the Tartars, and give them Battle, shifted for themselves, and very few followed the King to *Tywan*.

Thus ended the King of *China's* Dominion of *Amoy*, under which it had flourished near six years, during which time it was grown very populous, Rich, and beautified with many stately Edifices.

*Vienna, Jan. 17.* The Palatine of *Hungary* is now here, and had two days since a private Audience of

the Emperor, whom he acquainted, that all the Deputies that had compos'd the Diet at *Oedenburg*, were gone home well satisfied with the Emperors Concessions; the said Palatine will make a very short stay here, intending so soon as he has receiv'd the Order of the *Golden Fleece*, to return for *Hungary*, and to apply his utmost Care and Endeavours for the composing the Affairs of that Kingdom, and the bringing Count *Teckelej*, and the rest that are in Arms with him, back to their Obedience to the Emperor. The Count of *Caprara* will part in few days for *Constantinople*.

*Cologne, Jan. 30.* The account which our Elector every day receives of the proceeding of the French in the Country of *Liege* (where they oblige his Electoral Highnesses Subjects and Vassals to do Homage to the French King) does very much perplex his Electoral Highness, who has sent Orders to his Minister at *Paris* to complain thereof; and in the mean time, has on great pains, forbid his said Subjects to swear Allegiance to any Prince, except to his Electoral Highness, and Declaring, the Oaths which any may have already been oblig'd to take, to be void and of no force. From *Frankfort* we have Advice, that Prince *Adolphe* was gone for *Paris*, to make his claim to the Dutchy of *Deux Pons*, for which it seems he is willing to do Homage to the French King; and that the Prince of *Birkenfeldt*, who is now by a Decree of the Chamber of *Metz*, in possession of that Country, intended to follow, in order to the making good his Interest at that Court.

*Paris, Feb. 7.* The last week arriv'd here Prince *Adolphe*, Uncle to the present King of *Sweden*; and the 4th Instant he had a private Audience of His Majesty; he comes, as we are inform'd, to Demand the Investiture of the Dutchy of *Deux Pons*. The Deputies of the Clergy met the third Instant, when they resolv'd to make an Act, by which they acknowledge the Kings Right of Regale, pursuant to His Majesties late Declaration. And at the same time Read and Approved of a Letter, to be writt'n on this Subject to the Pope, which the Archbishop of *Rheims* is to Sign in the name of the Assembly, as President thereof. There are Letters from the *Sieur du Quesne* which give an Account, That he had, through the interposition of the Captain *Bassa*, who was sent about four Months since with 36 Gallies to *Scio*, made a Peace with the Corsairs of *Tripoly*; and that the Port had confirm'd the said Peace, of which the chief Articles are,

That all the French Slaves shall be forthwith released.  
That the Ship of Captain *Cruvillier*, taken under French Colours, carrying 16 Guns, shall be restored with its Guns, Ammunition, Furniture, &c.

That the Ship called the *Europe* shall be restor'd in like manner.

That the *Tripolins* shall not molest any Ships sailing under French Colours, and having French Passes, nor take any Persons or Goods out of them.

That all Passengers on board French Ships shall be free,