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From **Monday, July 29.** to **Thursday, August, 1. 1667.**

Plymouth, July 24.

A Light Ketch is newly sent into *Whitby*, and two other Prizes carried to *Hull*, One laden with Hemp, Lead and Copper, the other with Masts; taken by one of His Majesty's Frigats.

Plymouth, July 26. This day the *Drake* coming in, tells us, That an Offender bound for *Bourness* was on Tuesday 12 at night on board a Ship of *Koster* of 23 Guns, in company of the rest of that Squadron, about six Leagues South from the *Isle of Wight*, that they were much straitned in Provisions, but the general report amongst them was, That they were bound home with all Expedition.

A Vessel that came from *Brest* on Monday the 22th Instant, informed him, that 28 French Men of War lay ready there, well rigged and Manned, and that seven more of them were Cruising between *Ouessant* and *Scilly*, that several Privateers were upon the Coast, and that four of their biggest Ships were ordered into the Harbour to be cleaned.

Minchhead, July 26. This week arrived at *Bythesford* about 12 small Vessels from *Waterford* in *Ireland*, being captured in their passage by their Convoy from 3 or 4 small Cruisers, which they discovered at a great distance, they daring not to adventure an attempt on them.

Hull, July 27. Yesterday arrived here an Offender from *London*, her Companies being off *Humber* surprized on Thursday last by a small Sloop of 15 Tuns.

Bristol, July 27. Here is lately arrived in this Port, the *Great Dolphin*, a Vessel belonging to this place, with a small *Londoner*, both of them from *Calis*, laden with Fruit and Wine, they inform us, That they had in their company 40 Sail of Merchantmen, and were with much Care and Diligence Convoyed by some Men of War to the South Cape, and that they were for 7 or 8 dayes attended by two Men of War of the Enemy, but having no opportunity to attempt them, they went off without any Prize. Here is also come in a vessel from *Plymouth*, laden with Prize Wines, one *Hamburgher* with Pitch, Tarr and Deal boards, and a small Spaniard from *Biscay*, with Oranges and Lemons.

Portsmouth, July 28. On Thursday last about Noon, were discovered off the *Isle of Wight*, six Men of War with French Colours, which came to an Anchor in *Sandham-Bay*, a little after appeared a Fleet of 50 or 60 Sail coming from the Westwards, the next morning they all weighed together, and stood to the Eastwards with a fresh Gale, being supposed to be a Convoy of French Merchantmen.

Rome, July 16. The third Instant the Pope, with a great Train of Cardinals, Princes and Prelates, with the Ambassadors, went in a solemn Cavalcade from the *Vatican*, to His Cathedral Church of *S. Gio. Laterano*, where he received the Keys from the hands of the Archpresbyter, and after the usual Ceremonies, gave his Benediction to the people, who in return, filed the Ayr with their Acclamations.

On Friday and Saturday last, His Holiness gave Audience to several Ambassadors and Ministers of Foreign Princes, but will not confer any considerable favors on any till the arrival of his Nephew from *Brussels*, to whom he intends they shall be obliged for all acts of Grace or Condescension. His other two Nephews continue their Visits to the Cardinals and Princes; they have not yet accepted of any other Presents, but only of eight Gilt Coach-horses given them by Cardinal *Antonio Barbarino*, and have now the additional Titles given them of *Dux* and *Excellency*.

Cardinal *Grimaldi* and *de Retz* are gone from hence, the former to his residency at *Aix in Provence*, the other to *Paris*. On Tuesday last, the four new Cardinals viz *Roberti, Spinola, Delfino* and *Vendosme*, in a publick Consistory received their Capps from the Popes own hands with the usual Ceremonies.

On Sunday night last Cardinal *Stephano Durazzo*, a *Genoese*, a creature of Pope *Urban the Eight*, died of a Fever in the 72 year of his age, and the 34 of his Cardinalship; his body was opened and embalmed, and privately the next evening carried to the Church of *Holy Jesus*, where it was on Wednesday following in much State exposed to publick view, and afterwards buried privately in his own Parish Church of *S. Maries*: So there are now four vacancies in the Sacred Colledge.

Cardinal *Orsino*, the Protector of *Portugal*, has fully represented to the Pope the interest of that Kingdom, especially in relation to the Nomination of Bishops, of whom it seems there remains but one, and 'tis said his Holiness seems more inclined to give them satisfaction then formerly any of his Predecessors.

Venice, July 22. A Vessel is lately arrived here from *Smyrna*, having by the way touched at *Cerigo* and *Zant*, and from both bringing Letters: Those from *Cerigo* inform us of a *Turcan* arrived there from *Candia*, assuring them, that in the 20 dayes time, the *Turks* had besieged the City of *Candia*, they had no advantage or gained them the foot of ground, and that their great Batteries, with their continual Thunder, had done but little hurt to them, being at too great distance, and too high mounted; all the execution they have done falling upon some of the highest houses in the Town, blowing off their Tiles, and throwing down some Chimneys: The same is confirmed by those other Letters from *Zant*, adding, That our Armada had shut up in the Port of *Scio* 46 *Turkish Gallies* intended for *Candia*, and aboard them 4000 *Janizaries*.

That the Captain General of our Armada was at *Milo* with his Gallies, having a little before given chase to a Squadron of the Enemies Gallies, his Excellency lying ready to pass for *Candia* to attack them on any occasion that may require it: Our Ships are in several Squadrons plying upon the Seas, especially about *Canca*, and have taken many considerable Prizes with Provisions and other necessaries intended for the supply of the *Turks*. The Christian Privateers having in this particular done excellent service; amongst others, there is one very considerable, called the *Natoli*, having aboard her 700 men, that has in few dayes taken above 20 Prizes, and has freely proffered her service to be employ'd upon any action for the Defence of *Candia*.

Antwerp, August 6. S. N. The French having made themselves Masters of *Oudenard* and *Alst*, which later place Surrendered upon the first Summons: The King of *France* came the third Instant to the Abby of *Afflighem*, where he is yet continues. The Army is now drawn before *Dendermonde*, where it appeared the 4th Instant, having first made three Bridges over the *Scheld*, one at *Melle* about two Leagues from *Ghent*, another at *Apples*, and a third at *Lockerren*. Yesterday about three or four in the morning, the *Guns* from the Town played warmly upon the French to hinder them in the raising of their Batteries, as they have this morning continued to do for four hours together; the place is well Fortified and of great Importance, and is accordingly strengthened with 2000 of the best Foot, and 600 good Horse, and both Soldiers and Citizens much encouraged by the presence of the Baron *de Berlo, Louigny* and other excellent Officers: the Government of

that place committed to Monsieur *Altuna*, an experienced Soldier; The *Sluices* are every where opened, and the Country in a great measure drowned about it: 'Tis said *Lounigny* with a party of 400 horse has made a Stout Sally upon the French, very much disordering one of their Posts, forcing them to retire through the waters, in which, and by the Sword, there perished near 2000 men. This day some Passengers and Fugitives from those parts affirm, That the Army have received Orders to quit the *Siege*, in a place that may require longer time than they are willing to spend before it. Our Forces daily encrease, though not as yet able to appear in the Field against so numerous an Enemy, one Regiment of the Forces we expect from *Bohemia* being already arrived; our parties sometimes meet, and our men frequently return with Succels: 400 French Prisoners being lately taken, are sent in Prisoners into *Ghent*.

By a later Letter received by a considerable person of this City, from *Brussels*; we are told, that the 15th instant, S. N. The French made a lusty assault upon *Dendermond*, which continued from eleven at night till about four in the morning, and were beaten off with great loss, the confirmation whereof, with the particulars, we may expect by the next.

Hague, Aug. 5. S. N. The Treaty being signed at *Breda*, the Heart *Bevering* and *Gongshall* are here arrived, but intend to return again in fourteen daies, to expect there the mutual ratification of the interested Princes and States.

The States are sending an Ambassadors to the Emperour, 'tis said, to endeavour a firmer alliance with the House of *Austria*. The Fleet have lately received provisions for three moneths; several Offenders are lately brought up before *Musling*, taken by some of the States Men of War coming out of their Port, upon pretence of having aboard them counterbanded goods.

The Officers for the new raised forces are not yet chosen, but the Assembly being to separate this week, 'tis believed in a day or two of its resolution may be published.

Paris, Aug. 5. S. N. Letters from *Toulon* inform us, that the Baron de *Terne* had taken two Brigantines laden with Spanish Soldiers, with their Officers, and upon the news formerly brought him, that the Council of *Spain* had sent several French Prisoners aboard their Gallies, the Baron by way of Retaliation, put all the Spaniards that were taken in those Brigantines into the Chain in his Gallies, and is now going after six Spanish Gallies which are to pass from *Barcelona* with Soldiers to *Finale*; they tell us also that three of our New ships are fitting out to go for *Algier* with moneys for the Redemption of the rest of the French that remain in slavery under the jurisdiction of that Republick; all the Slaves of that Nation that are now in any of our Gallies being to be released by way of exchange.

Letters of the 11th instant from *Arras* tell us, That his Majesty having ordered his Army to March along the *Scheld*, had some intentions of besieging *Conde*, having chang'd his Design of falling upon *Dendermond*, that place being in all probability like to take up too much time, and the Siege like to prove of more difficulty than it was at first imagined by reason of the Neighbourhood of Count *Marxin*, who lies near it with an Army of about 10000 Men.

They also say, that Monsieur *Massfete*, a Colonel of horse belonging to the Garrison of *Liste*, being abroad with a party of 200 stout horse, near *Tournay*, fell upon his Majesties Guards, whom (upon the surprisall) they forced to a little retreat, giving an alarm to the whole Army in their march; but being assisted by the next Squadron of horse, the Spaniards retired fighting, leaving near 20 of their number dead behind them, and about 60 prisoners.

His Majesty has left Monsieur de *Guadagne* with 3000 men in *Douay* with the Title of Governour, and Lieutenant General of the Conquered Country betwixt the rivers of *Lis* and *Scheld*, and given the Government of *Tournay* to the Sieur de *Renouard*.

'Tis said the Marquis de *Creygy* is with his Army expected at *Charles-Roy*, and that some great design will be speedily put into execution.

Two daies since arrived here some Deputies from the Cantons of *Swisse* to inform his Majesty, that they would take *Branche Comte* under their protection.

Yesterday went hence the Abbot *Rospigliosi* for *Rome*, being abundantly satisfied with his Reception, having received from his Majesty for a Present, a Crois of Diamonds to the value of 100000 livres.

Dartmouth, July 28. This day a French Vessel arriving here with English passengers from *Morlaix*, informs us, that about five leagues off this place, they met with a Squadron of about 30 Dutch Men of War standing to the Westwards.

Weymouth, July 29. The *Deptford-Ketch* arriving the last night from the Islands of *Guernsey* and *Jersey* informs us of the good condition of those places; no Enemy having been of late seen upon their Coasts. On Saturday morning last, she hailed a Swede, by whom she was advised that the Dutch Squadron consisting of about 50 sail, were the evening before, riding about five Leagues to the South-west of the *Start*.

West-Coves, July 29. There are lately taken by one of his Majesties Frigats, two Prizes, one a Vessel of 150 Tuns, laden from *Bordeaux* with Wine and Brandy, pretending sometimes to be bound for *Stockholm*, otherwhiles for *Hamburg*, but supposed to be intended for *Rotterdam*, to which most of her Letters are directed; the other a Ketch belonging to *Holland* sent from the *West-Indies*, with a *Parquet*, which she left at *S. Martins* to be sent over by land. The *Blackmore Pinck* has also brought in a Prize to the *Spitt-head*, her landing not yet known here.

Portsmouth, July 30. The Dutch Merchants are daily passing through the Channel, one of them two daies since fell into the hands of one of our Ketches, and was carried into *Southampton*, her lading Wine and Brandy.

Harwich, July 30. On Sunday last, the whole Squadron of the Dutch, with 11 or 12 that were reputed Victuallers, came down, and yesterday anchored in the Gunfleet. Sir *Joseph Jordan's* Squadron is in part arrived in the *Rowling-Gounds*, the rest securely following. About eight sail of the Dutch went yesterday out of the Gunfleet, sailing into the Sea.

Deal, July 30. This morning five stout ships past Northwards at the back of the *Goodwins*: The Dutch ship that brought over Sir *Is. Coventry* is hourly expecting his return, she wears upon her Main-top an English Ancient, a Dutch Ancient upon his Fore-top, and a French upon his Mizzen-top, and under them several Colours of *Swedenland*, *Denmark*, *Hamburg*, and other places.

Margate, July 30. The last night about thirty sail of Dutch ships were seen to the North-East of the North-fore-land, standing close by the wind to the Eastwards, the wind at North-East.

Whitehall, July 29. This day the two Houses of Parliament met again according to their Adjournment of the 25th instant, where his Majesty being present with the usual Ceremonies, was pleased after a Gracious Speech to prosequue them till the tenth of October, which was the time formerly prefixed for their assembling.

Advertisements.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer, in pursuance of the Payments upon Orders registered on the 11th for 1250000 l. are ready to make payment of the 358th Order in course, and so do proceed according to the direction of the said Act, as fast as the money comes in.

They think fit also to give notice that Money hath been kept in Bank in the Exchequer, for the payment of the 135th and 153 Order, ever since they came in course to be paid: And likewise money is ready for the payment of the Orders hereafter mentioned, viz. the 336. 338. 339. 343. 350. 351. 352. 353. 354. 355. 356. 357. and 358. all the preceding Orders having been already paid.

Also upon the Act for the Poll-Money, the said Officers are come to the payment of the two and fiftyeth Order in Course.