

that place committed to Mounſieur *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 periſh'd 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 arriv'd; 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 laſt Letter received by a conſiderable perſon of this City, from *Bruffels*; we are told, that the ſiſt Inſtant, S. N. Y. the French made a luſty eſſault 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 Heer *Bevering* and *Gongſhall* are here arriv'd, but intend to return again in fourteen daies, to expect there the mutual ratification of the intereſſed Princes and States.

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

The Officers for the new rais'd forces are not yet choſen, but the Aſſembly being to ſeparate this week, 'tis believed in a day or two their reſolution may be publiſh'd.

*Paris, Aug. 5. S. N.* Letters from *Toulou* 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 fix Spaniſh Gallies which are to paſs from *Barcelona* with Soldiers to *Finale*; they tell us alſo that three of our New ſhips are ſetting out to go for *Algier* with moneys for the Redemption of the reſt of the French that remain in ſlavery under the juſdiction of that Republick; all the Slaves of that Nation that are now in any of our Gallies being to be releas'd by way of exchange.

Letters of the ſiſt Inſtant from *Arras* tell us, That his Maſtey having order'd his Army to March along the *Scheld*, had ſome Intenſions of beſieging *Conde*, having chang'd his Deſign of ſitting 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 imagin'd by reaſon of the Neighbourhood of Count *Marſin*, who lies near it with an Army of about 10000 Men.

They alſo ſay, that Mounſieur *Maſſete*, a Colonel of horſe belonging to the Gariſon of *Liſle*, being abroad with a party of 200 horſe, near *Tournay*, fell upon his Maſtey's Guards, whom (upon the ſurprizal) they forc'd to a little retreat, giving an alarm to the whole Army in their march; but being aſſiſt'd by the next Squadron of horſe, the Spaniards retir'd fighting, leaving near 20 of their number dead behind them, and about 60 priſoners.

His Maſtey has left Mounſieur 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 Marquels de *Creygy* is with his Army expect'd at *Charles-Roy*, and that ſome great deſign will be ſpecqily put into execution.

Two ſales ſince arriv'd here ſome Deputies from the Cantons of *Swiſſe* to inform his Maſtey, that they would take *Branche Comte* under their proteſſion.

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

*Dartmouth, July 28.* This day a French Veſſel arriv'd here with English paſſengers from *Morlaix*, informing 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 arriv'd 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 haul'd 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 Maſtey's Frigats, two Prizes, one a Veſſel of 150 Tuns, laden from *Bordeaux* with Wine and Brandy, ſometimes to be bound for *Stockholm*, otherwhiles for *Hamburgh*, but ſuppos'd 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 Paquet, 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 lading not yet known here.

*Portsmouth, July 30.* The Dutch Merchants are daily paſſing through the Channel, one of them two dayes ſince fell into the hands of one of our Ketches, and was carry'd 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 arriv'd 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 *Jo. Coventry* is hourly expecting his return, ſhe wears upon her Main-top an English Ancient, a Dutch Ancient upon her Fore-top, and a French upon her Mizzen-top, and under them ſeveral Colours of *Swedenland*, *Denmark*, *Hamburgh*, 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 Maſtey being preſent with the uſual Ceremonies, was pleas'd after a Gracious Speech to proteque them till the tenth of October, which was the time formerly prefixt for their aſſembling.

#### Advertisements.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Maſtey's Exchequer, in purſuance of the Payments upon Orders regiſtred on the 24 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 ſaſt 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 ſiſtieth Order in Courſe.