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Kingale, July 23.

ON Munday last arrived here the *Guiney* Frigate, having the Saturday preceding, had a Dispute with two Dutch Men of War, one of 28 the other of 36 Guns that came up with her, passing their Broadfides with great fierceness, but finding them as hoily returned, and despairing of success, they made away with all the sails they were able, so that the *Guiney* not able to make up with them, returned with very little or no damage to this Port.

Barwick, July 28. A person arriving here from *Leith*, tells us, that there is scarcely a day in which some Prizes are not brought in, either to that place, or to the Maritime Towns on this side.

Pendennis, July 29. On Thursday last, the *Panther* (a small Privateer belonging to this Port) brought in here a Dutch Prize called *The Garden of Holland*, belonging to *Amsterdam*, of 90 Tuns, bound homewards from *Nantz*, laden with French Wines and Brandy, and four or five Pipes of Cannary, being invited out (it seems) by the Merchants concerned in her, upon the account of a Peace concluded, and informing them that they might safely pass the Channel.

Dartmouth, July 30. The last night 90 sail of Dutch of all sorts, with their Victuallers, Fireships, Hoyes, Ketches, &c. came to an Anchor in *Bigbury Bay*, and this morning about ten of the clock weighed and stood to the Westwards.

Plymouth, July 30. Yesterday the *Drake* being sent out for intelligence, immediately discovered the Dutch Squadron making this way, which she presently gave notice of by the firing of a Gun, and returned about four in the Afternoon, we saw about 72 sail, which about 7 came to an Anchor in the Sound, without firing one Gun, where they have continued all this night without shewing any Lights; they are there washing and Carriage, and have taken in Victuals for three months, but for what Design is not yet known.

Harwich, August 3. The Dutch lye still in the Gun-fleet, very quiet, no Acts of Hostility having lately passed on either side; 'tis said they give out that they have received Commands to attempt no farther, but this makes us not more remiss in our Guards, nor less careful for our defence than formerly.

Dover, Aug. 1. This day passed to the Southwards 25 great ships standing off to the French Coast, supposed to be a Squadron of the Dutch from the river: This afternoon was sent in hither by a Diggerboat, (a Privateer belonging to the Governour of this place) a prize of *Rotterdam* of 200 tuns, laden with Wines and Brandy, bound from *Bordeaux* for *Amsterdam*.

Vionna, July 16. The seventh Infant, the Envoy from the new Cham of the *Krim Tartars*, went from hence, having first made his Compliments of Congratulation to the Emperor. The most principal person sent upon this errand, dyed by the way with six others of his Train, the remainders are honourably dismiss, with a Passport, and Letters of recommendation for their later passage through *Poland* and *Ukrainia*, and with monyes (which was most welcome to them) to defray the expences of their Voyage.

Our Resident in the *Polish* Court tells us, that a solemn Diet is again to be held in September next, to take care of the great Concernments of that Kingdome, and that the King continues still his Resolution of quitting the Crown and retiring himself to a private and Religious life, in the *Chartreux*

lately built in *Lithuania*, from which all the Arts and professions of his Council, and the Grandees of that Kingdome, have not yet been able to divert him.

On Wednesday last, in Commemoration of the Emperors Birth-day, was held a great Turnement, in which his Imperial Majesty lead the first Troop, all of them clad in Cloth of Gold, with blew feathers, their horses trapped and adorned with the same Colours, and another Troop was lead by His Highness the Prince of *Lorraine*, their habits Cloth of Silver, with Flame-colour'd Feathers, their Horses also Trapped with the same. Several Prizes were there ran for, and given by the Emperour. The Emperour winning the hird Prize with the Lance, Count *Christian d'Altheim* the first, and Count *Ferdinand de Harrach* the second, all of them rich and Masly Page: These with the Sword, were won, the first by Count *Wentze d'Anheim*, a second by Count *Maximilian de Thurn*, and the third by the Marquis *de Grand*, the Ceremonies much the same as were formerly upon her Marriage.

Notwithstanding which Divergements, great care is taken for the Succor of the Netherlands, the Court with much Impatience expecting the Resolution of the States of the Empire: Several of the Princes having already assured the Emperor of their Concurrence for that end, and the Emperor himself very zealous for their speedy assistance, what obstructions soever may be raised by those Princes whose private Interests incline them to a Neutrality, if not a Compliance with the French.

The Spanish Ambassador (as 'tis said) has received Letters of Exchange for three Millions to be employ'd for the raising of Forces for that Service, and the Emperor has ordered the complementing and filling up all the Regiments of his Army, which are to be in a readines to take the Field upon the first Orders.

From *Hungary* we are informed, that a party of 1500 Turkes endeavouring to pass the *Tpoll*, were attended in their March by 500 Husars, who charged them so suddenly and briskly in their passage, that only 300 of them escaped; about which action a Chiaus is sending pither to make his Complaints.

Hambourgh, July 20. Two Scottish Privateers Cruising towards these Seas, have about three dayes since taken 8 Kgs or small ships near *Wangerold*, passing from hence for *Holland*, all of them richly laden. We hear nothing as yet of the March of the Swedes Forces. The late unhappy tumult and fray happening, and occasioned by the drunken rude people upon the day of rejoycing for the Election of the Pope, has much troubled the Queen *Christina*, who nevertheless has taken care for a recompence to be made to the Widdows of those two or three persons that were killed in it, and promising to pay for the Cure of those others that were wounded.

Berlin, July 20. N. S. On Thursday last his Highness the Elector of *Brandenburgh* arrived here, intending no longer stay then till the next week, and then to return to *Neu Graven*, where he will continue some week. The several Envoyes from the Prince of *Dowager*, Prince of *Orange* and Prince of *Nassau*, had on Friday their Audience, making their Compliments of Condo'ance upon the late decease of the Elector, and the next day the Here *Van Duzen* Envoy from the States of *Holland*, was admitted to the same Ceremony, though 'tis believed, things of greater importance are conceived in his Commission.

The Sieur *Phul* having in the same qualification made his Address upon the same occasion in the name of his Electoral Highness of *Saxony*, concluded with some complaints, That

The House of *Saxe Lauembourg* pretended to the same Coat of Arms with the Elector his Master, desiring the Marquis to refuse all Letters from him that should come under that Seal.

Hamburgh, July 27. The Scottish Caspers have lately taken several Prizes of considerable value; In the eight Cags taken the last week before the *Elbe*, were many Bags Guns lately cast here for the Service of the States of *Holland*.

A Vessel coming in from the North, assures us, that a great Ho land ship richly laden from *Savoy*, fell lately into the hands of three Scottish Privateers, who put the men on shore at *Berghen*, but carried off the Prize, valued at 300000 R xollers. Some English Frigats have also on the Spanish Coast taken two considerable Prizes, one a *Holland* Vessel bound for *Genoa*, her freight amounting to 60000 R xollers, the other laden with *Cor dage*.

Abou. Our dayes since arrived here the Field Here, Count *Wrangle* with a great Train of Swedish Gentlemen, who with the Queen *Christina*, yesterday in the Afternoon, accompanied out of Town the body of the late High Treasurer of *Sardinia*, the Canons, for the greater solemnity, being at the same time discharged from the Walls. Several Troops of Horse are to attend it to *Wisnar*, where the *Ambassador*, Swedish Min of War, attends to Transport it into *Sweden*.

Cologne, July 29. The 23 instant, Monsieur the Abbot *de Gravel* called by *Frankfort* to attend his Electoral Highness of *Mayence* *Ashaffenbourg*, having already had Conference with the Elector of *Treves* and *Cologne*, with whom he has used his utmost endeavour to persuade them to hinder the passage of any Forces of the Empire through their Dominions for the relief of the Low Countries, yet since Forces are already on their way, and though they were not suffered to pass down the *Rhine*, they have been secretly guided by land by the way of *Schwalbach*, and so through the Territories of his Highness of *Hesse*, and Principality of *Nassau*, and afterwards to take their March by the way of *Berghen*; *De Gravel* has taken it ill from the Magistrates of *Frankfort*, complaining of them that they suffered those German Forces to pass quietly by them.

Wesel, Aug. 3. The differences of *Munster* are now grown to that height, that the Citizens have excluded their Bishop, and defend the City against him, who is raising his Batteries to reduce them by force to their obedience; but the Bishop of *Col gne*, and these States, are resolved to assist the City; The Bishop of *Munster* expects a succour from the French of 1400 men.

Paris, Aug. 10. The Duke de *Beaufort* has received Orders to have twenty Men of War in readiness to put to Sea, the rest of his Fleet are to be disarmed, and the Souldiers to be sent into *Flanders* to reinforce the Army.

The Queen intends suddenly to leave *Arras*, and return to *Compiogne*, and has great apprehensions for the *Dauphin*, who is fallen ill of a Fever, which has much increased on him, so that his recovery is said to be much doubted.

Brussels, August, 9. S. N. The French having taken in *Oudenard* upon the second Assault, by which the Governor and Souldiers remained prisoners of War, but no violence offered to the Town; on the first Instant a party of their horse entered *Aelst* a walled Town, but without Garrison, and the same day Count *Marfin* Marched out of *Brussels* to his Headquarters, being then between *Ghent* and *Dendermund*.

The second, several parties of the French, backed by a Body of 2 or 3000 horse, came within half a league of this Town, which took the Alarm very hotly, being at that Instant the more apprehensive, as not having at that present above 800 horse, and as many Foot within the Town, so that had the French then invested us, and cut off Count *Marfin's* passage from the Camp, this City would have run much hazard in few dayes; but the same evening the Count arrived here with 3500 horse, having in his passage put 1000 men into *Dendermund*, and Marched the greatest part of his way hither in view of the

French Army. The third, the Count *Montreuy* with his Spanish Regiment arrived with several Troops from other parts, which made us up a Body of 5000 horse, and 3000 Foot: that night by the motion of the French, we found their Design lay upon *Dendermund*, where the next morning they lay down, the Town being small and weak of its self, its greatest advantage being an Inundation which is made about it. Upon their first approach, the French made an Assault upon a Dike in hopes to have gained a *Suice*, but upon a stout Sally made by some good Officers out of the Town with 2000 men, they were repulsed with the loss of about 300 men. That and the next day they were employ'd in making a Bridge over the *Scheld* into the *Pays de Wasse*, intending to make their approaches on that side, to raise Batteries, and to endeavour to draw off the Water, for which purpose all the Countreymen that could be found, were employ'd in cutting the Dike, by which means much of the water was dried, and the next day they made some nearer approaches to the Town, but about 11 at noon the water entered again upon them and grew so high that the French fell into disorder, and a Council being called by his Majesty, it was resolved they should raise the Siege, which they accordingly did, but with much loss, the Cannon playing hotly upon them from the Town, whereby many persons of quality fell, and a considerable number of Souldiers were lost in passing the waters; and by the breaking of the Bridge in the repassing of their men and Carriages, 1500 of them were left in the *Pais de Wasse*, which were all made Prisoners by the Garrison and Countrey people.

In the mean time the Prince de *Ligny* marching out of this Town the fifth instant with a party of 800 horse, and coming the next morning within a league of *Charle-Roy*, had intelligence of a party of near 500 French horse, that had gone thence the day before, to bring several Villages under contribution; about 5 in the morning he met them in their return, and for some time a sharp dispute began between them, but the French were at last broken, an hundred of them killed upon the place, and as many more in the pursuit, and 195 more taken prisoners; and amongst them many persons of Quality, particularly the Marquis de *Kaubzun*, Governour of *Philippoville*, Marshal de *Camp*, who commanded the party. Count *Schomberg*, Son to the Marshal of that Name, but dangerously wounded in the head; the Marquis de *Carlier*, the Count *S. Paul*, Marquis *Sansay*, and Marquis de *Pauly*, Captains, with several Lieutenants, Cornets, and other Officers: Amongst other persons of Quality that were killed, were the Marquis de *Brosse*, Count *Savigny*, Monsieur *Montall*, Son to the Governour of *Charle-Roy*, with several other Officers and Volunteers, not above 30 of the whole party escaping.

The seventh instant the French Forces quitted *Aelst*, and marched towards *Oudenard*: the eighth the greatest part of them lay betwixt *Oudenard* and *Tournay*, seemingly bending towards *Douay*, their next design being yet uncertain. This success has extremely encouraged the Spaniards, who hope for the future to give a better account of their Towns than has been formerly done.

Whitehall, Aug. 4. On Wednesday last in the evening his Highness Prince *Rupert* returned hither from *Sheerness*, whereby his infinite care and vigilancy the fortifications of that place are much advanced; all persons expressing more than usual Emulation to follow so great an Example of activity and diligence as his Highness was pleased to set them, who during the time of his presence there, has not omitted any thing that could be done for the strengthening of that place, which is already grown so considerable, that the Dutch had not the courage to make the least attempt upon it in their late *Bravado* into the river.

Whitehall, Aug. 4. Yesterday in the evening the Body of Mr. *Abraham Cowley*, who died the 28. past, was conveyed from *Wallingford* House to *Westminster* Abbey, accompanied by divers persons of Eminent Quality, who came to perform this last Office to One who had been the great Ornament of our Nation, as well by the candour of his Life, as the Excellency of his Writings.