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Edinburgh, August 5.

This day the Privy Council ordered the Settlement of the Highways, appointing the Earls of Argyll, Athol and Seaforth, for Overseers, granting to them the Effects of all Thieves, and the Forfeitures of any their Associates, &c.

This evening were brought up into Leith Road, four large Prizes of a considerable value, taken by some of His Majesty's ships, and amongst them the *Conserines*, a Man of War, formerly of 58, now of 36 or 38 Guns.

Barwick, August 4. On Thursday last, 13 great ships were seen sailing by Eymouth in Scotland, which for some time plyed off and on before that Port, and were therefore supposed to have been Dutch Men of War, they came all from the South-East. A French Privateer hath for two or three days been discovered Cruising between Dalmeborough and this Port, but we hear not of any Prize he hath taken. A Scottish Privateer hath sent into Eymouth a Dutch Prize laden with Victuals, and bound (as is thought) for their Fleet.

Scilly, Aug. 5. Yesterday about noon appeared in sight of this place the Dutch Fleet, consisting of 54 sail, with some small Vessels attending them; they have since surrounded these Islands, and landed some men upon an Island near Inthelick, called *S. Agnes*; they have endeavoured to found this Harbour, and we to prevent them by the well plying of our Guns, they are now lying within a league of us, if they attempt we shall do our endeavours to make the best defence we are able. Yesterday morning the *Drake* Frigate came in here with a prize, being a *Flushing* Man of War of 6 Guns, but after a short stay went off again to Sea.

Plymouth, August 6. Yesterday by an Express from Dartmouth, we were informed that the Dutch Fleet appeared before, or very near the Town on Sunday about 9 or 10 of the Clock at night, but by the Care and Vigilancy of Mr. John Fowel, the Mayor of that place, all things are in so great readiness for their Defence, that they fear not the force of their whole Fleet.

Weymouth, August 7. Yesterday many Guns were heard from the South-West of the Isle of Portland, and this morning a Fleet of about 50 sail, are discovered West and by South of the same Island, which we suppose to be the Dutch Fleet, and by their standing, to be making towards this road, and we accordingly preparing for our defence in case of any attempt.

Plymouth, August 7. By an Express from the Isle of Scilly, We are told that the Dutch, having divided their Fleet, about 50 sail of them were about that Island, and had landed some men in the out-Island which was not inhabited; that the other part of them, about 30 sail, were plying about Dartmouth and the neighbouring Coasts.

Rome, July 23. Notwithstanding the progress of the French Army in the Spanish Netherlands, the two Ambassadors of France and Spain continue their mutual Civilities to each other. Yesterday the French Ambassador going to his first Audience of business with his Holiness, was attended by two of the Spanish Ambassadors Coaches, and several of his Gentlemen and other Attendants; and this morning the Spanish Ambassador went to his Audience attended in the like manner by the French: Their Audiences were long, but the dispatch of all business both publick and private, is deferred till the Arrival of the Abbot *Rospigliosi*, who 'tis believed will be suddenly declared Cardinal. There is now on foot a Treaty of a Marriage between the Popes Nephew Don To-

maso *Rospigliosi*, and a rich Lady at Genoa, of the Family of *Pallavicino*, esteemed to be worth two millions of Crowns, which the easier to effect, *Monsegnore Pallavicino* her Uncle may be encouraged by the promise of a Cap.

Madrid, July 30. Letters of the 17th Instant from Cadix advise us, that a Squadron of our Armada of nine ships, and one Petrel, are put to Sea, and the Duke de Veraguas embarked on the Admiral, who taking in the Flag, carries out only a Pendant on the Main-top; and that the *S. Yomaso de Villanoya* was there arrived from Naples with a considerable quantity of powder, shot, match and arms, bringing also about 500 Neapolitan Soldiers to be employed in the service of his Catholique Majesty. The Merchants are impatiently expecting news of the arrival of their Fleet from New-spain, in which their concerns are very great. Three small Fregats are ordered to lie out at Sea to give them notice of the state of the Coasts, and to direct them the securest way home; and the Duke de Veraguas employed to clear the Coast of the Moors, which have of late appeared more then usually numerous.

Little action has lately passed between the Crown and Portugal; which makes us guess that both Parties are inclinable to Peace; which we despair not of, if the Interest of France be not too prevalent on the other side.

The success of our Enemies in the Netherlands has at the last awakened us to look to their defence; great sums have been already advanced by the Nobility and the Councils, and besides those subscribed to by way of free gift, each Coach of 4 Mules is to pay 100 Duckets, and those of 2 Mules 50 Duckets each; the people in general appearing very ready and willing to contribute according to their abilities for the defence of those Countries.

The French Ambassador hath not yet left the Court, he has visited *Don Geronimo Quiroga*, who was by her Majesty appointed to have attended him on his way to the Frontiers, telling him, that having not as yet received any Order from the King his Master to leave Madrid, he should be unwilling to quit the place, unless he were forced thereto; but that his presence at Madrid might not be ill resented by the Queen, he desired that he might be accommodated in some Neighbouring Village, where he might with convenience reside, until his Majesties pleasure could be further known, which was accordingly related to the Queen; but no further resolution yet taken.

Genoa, August 2. By a Felucca arrived here in seven dayes from Barcellona we are advised that the War with France was with all formality and sound of Trumpet, solemnly Proclaimed, and all future Commerce prohibited with it. That the ten French Gallies which have been some time out at Sea backwards, are returned to *Marseilles* with a Biganine of *Majorca*, and a Felucca with Dispatches from Spain. The Design of their Gallies was laid (as is supposed) against *Tirragona*, but was timely discovered and prevented, and several persons imprisoned that were suspected to have held Intelligence with the French.

Cardinal *Grimaldi*, whose Devotion led him from Rome to visit the Lady of *Loretta*, arrived here on Tuesday last incognito, and is lodged in the Palace of Signior *Gio. Giordano Grimaldi* his Nephew, where he receives the Visits of his kindred and the great persons of this City, intending after some few dayes stay, to depart from hence towards his Diocess of *Hayx*.

Edred, Aug. 13. Yesterday in the morning arrived here from England, Sir John Coventry; whereupon an Express was immediately dispatched away to the *Papenoniales* at