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*Kinsale, Aug. 3.*

**A** Vessel arriving here from *Barbados*, brings with her Letters of the 25 of *May* last, giving us an account of an Engagement happening the 19th of that month, near *Nevis*, between 10 English ships, with one Fireship, and 20 French and Dutch Men of War, with 10 or 12 lesser Vessels, which continued near six hours, when our Fleet having got the Weather-gage, continued the fight with such extraordinary valour, and plyed them so warmly with their Guns, that they beat the Enemy before them to the very shoar of *S. Christophers*, where they were forced to shelter themselves under the *Town of Basse Terre*, in which Dispute they lost a very considerable number of men, and received much damage in their shipping: our Fleet had only 24 men killed, and 28 wounded, our ships having many shots in their Hulls, Sails, Masts and Rigging, but none of them disabled, only one ship of *Bristol* that lay so Anchor in *Nevis* Road, firing a Gun against the Enemy, was unfortunately blown up, firing a Gun against the Enemy, 30 Souldiers that were put aboard her being lost with her. The same Letters tell us, that our Fleet was refitting, which would be the work but of few daies, intending to offer them battle the second time, or to force them in *Basse terre* Road.

*Dublin, Aug. 6.* On Tuesday next his Grace the Lord Lieutenant intends for *Kilkenny*: The Country is every where quiet, and in a peaceable posture, only about 30 of the Tories have appeared in the County of *Leytrim*, after whom several of Captain *Sands* his men, who are quartered in that County, are gone out, hoping in little time to give a good account of them.

*Plymouth, Aug. 9.* This day by an Offender arrived here, we are informed of 14 sail of great ships, supposed to be Dutch, which he saw standing Northwards; about 3 leagues off the Lands send he met with a *Jersey* man from *Cork*, by whom he was informed, that the *Virginia* Fleet, consisting of above 40 sail, were safely arrived at *Kinsale*, of which we expect a farther confirmation. This day arrived here the *Vine*, a Vessel of *Yarmouth*, from *Genova* with Oyls. Since the appearance of the Dutch Fleet at the *Isle of Scilly*, and their landing upon one of the *Ou-Islands*, we have heard no farther news of them, nor has any shooting been heard from those parts, which induces us to believe they may be gone from these Islands, the Castle there being of considerable strength, and a strong Battery raised of 110 Guns, which would not much encourage them to make an attempt.

*Newcastle, Aug. 9.* Several Coasters are safely put in here, and two Doggers Prizes sent in by some of our ships.

*Basle, July 25.* During the absence of the Duke of Savoy, the City of *Geneva* hath enjoyed some quiet, though always in Arms and upon their Guns. His Highness is now returned from *Italy* to *Turin*, and the 6th Infante passed through *Milan*, where he rested only some few hours, taking a view of their Fortifications, and then parting without receiving any Visit. They much suspect about *Milan*, that the Duke has espoused the French Interest, and that there is somewhat extraordinary designed on them, in which that Duke is to be instrumental. The Governor endevors by his timely care and circumspection, to prevent all surprisall, and has particularly taken care for the reinforcing and fortifying *Finale*, and has given out Commissions for the speedy raising of four new Regiments, and advanced moneys accordingly. Count *Julio Visconti* and Major *Barb.* are ordered to raise each of them a Regiment in the State of *Milan*, Colonel *Pianta* one of *Grisons*, and *le scriba di Lugano*, a Regiment of German horse.

There has been for four weeks an Assembly held at *Oborn Baden*, where were present the Envoys from the Emperour, the King of France and Spain, and Duke of Savoy.

The four Evangelical Cantons are met at *Arav* for the determination of the differences between the Duke of Savoy and City of *Geneva*, where the Treaty between them is very much advanced, the whole business being now reduced to this one demand, that the City send their Deputies to *Turin*, formally to ask a Pardon, which shall be immediately granted them without any farther difficulty.

*Venice, July 28.* We are informed by the way of *Legorn*, that ten Corsair ships, and five Gallies, had been seen in their passage towards the *Levant*, sailing by *Sicily*, and that three Corsairs of *Maltha* had certainly taken a great Turkish Pink, with one of their Men of War of 50 Guns, but the fight between them had been very sharp, and besides many men, one of the *Maltha* Captains was killed in the dispute. They tell us also, that another *Maltha* ship, with a prize ship, taken and manned by her with 150 men, had a brisk encounter eight hours together with five *Algier* Men of War, but their number prevailing, the *Maltese* was in the end taken; the other ship making a vigorous defence, disabled the Admiral of the *Algier* men, and made her retreat; afterwards, joyning with another Vessel of *Legorn*, took a Turkish Man of War of 24 Guns, with the loss of some men, and the Captain of the *Legorn* ship; and that three of the Great Dukes Gallies were returning towards their Port with a prize of *Tripoli*, bound for *Tunis* to lade Corn, in which they took 60 prisoners, and amongst them eight Ladies of Quality, and a *Chiaus* sent from *Constantinople* for *Tunis* to remove the Basha of that place from his Command.

A Vessel arriving here from *Raguse* informs us, that they had intelligence there of 12 Barbary ships that were discovered about *Vallona*; that their buildings are much advanced, as are the Turks at *Gastelnovo*, and no disturbances of late offered on either side.

By the way of *Corfu* we are advised, that on the 23 past, General *Villa* made a lucky sally out of *Gandia*, with a party of 2000 stout men, who fell with such extraordinary courage upon a Post of the Turks, that they made a great slaughter amongst them, being at that time very remiss and negligent in their Trenches, and not easily drawn into Order; that the Turks at the last getting together, pursued the General in his Retreat, till having drawn them into a place prepared for that purpose, he ordered fire to be given to his Mines, which blew up with such success, that as they were since informed by a Renegado, near 3000 Turks were destroyed by it.

*Vienna, July 30.* The old Regiments are daily recruiting, and are now in a condition fit for Service. New Commissions will be suddenly given out for the new Levies of Horse and Foot, intended to be sent with those of *Stiria* and *Carinthia* into *Alsacia* and *Briscow*, for the Security of the Frontiers, and to lye ready to joyn with other Forces that may be speedily sent to the Succours of the Netherlands.

A Courier dispatche hither from Monsieur *de Bajerode*, the Envoy Extraordinary in the Court of *Swedenland*, assures us of his good reception there, and that although the French Minister there has been very free in his offers, the better to oblige them to follow the French Interest, yet such care hath been taken for the continuance of a right understanding between that Crown and the Emperre, that the Council has suspended the declaring of any Resolution in that point, and the King has sent Orders to the *Comtable Wrangel*, not to move his Forces without some great necessity oblige him to it.



'Tis confidently said, That the Estates of the Empire are agreed that the Netherlands are to be assisted, but that they intend in the first place to endeavour all they can for an Accommodation, having some intention of sending an Express to the King of France to Remonstrate to him the great inconveniences which may follow, should he further prosecute his pretensions by the Sword, desiring him to hearken to some Proposals tending to Peace, which if refused, then to declare their Resolution of assisting the Netherlands with an Army of 50000 Men.

Yesterday two Couriers were sent away from this Court, one for Berlin, and the other for Holland. Great store of Arms are daily sent to the Magazine to furnish out the new Levies and money is already given out for that purpose.

The 26 Instant the Eastern Company of Merchants went from hence for Constantinople with nine lusty Vessels laden with Merchandize.

From Hungary we are told, That the Hungarians met lately with a Body of the Turks, of whom they defeated a party of near 300 men, and carryed off a great Booty.

Dantzick, August 6. Letters from Warsaw of the 29 past, tell us, That the Tartars have in three places with strong parties made their Incursions upon the Frontiers, making great spoil in all places where they come, and that they were already advanced as far as Zborow, Berezan and Rokalyn; upon which Intelligence, the General was marching with all the haste imaginable, with intention to engage them, leaving behind him the Palatine of Cracow as Supreme Director to the Commissioners at Lemburg, who proceed with great satisfaction and contentment to the Army. The two Palatines of Russia and Kiow are also marched against the Tartars; that Count Lasko with a party of the Polanders under his command, happened upon a party of the Tartars of 5000 men as they were disorderly plundering the Countrey between Szwarcow and Barre, which he broke in pieces, and wholly destroyed giving but little quarter: Another party of Tartars of the like number are also wholly defeated in another place, and 10000 more that were got into a Body, taking the Alarm, retreated with such haste upon the News of the approach of our Forces, that they left all their plunder behind them with their Bag and Baggage. Balyz Murza with a strong party of the Tartars, and some Regiments of Cossacks, is gone another way, with thoughts to joyn with their Sultan, but the General having got notice of their intentions, marched after them with all the speed he is able, and has therefore left behind him his great Guns, taking only the lighter with him, hoping in few dayes to give some account of them.

Cologne, Aug. 7. After much dispute about the Coadjutorship of Munster, the Bishop of Paderborne was at the last created to that Office, since which that Scene is much changed, and the Interest of the Bishoprick seems wholly bent for the service of the House of Austria, and 'tis said, the Bishop has some intentions of passing incognito to the Emperour, to offer his service. This change of affairs is ill resented by Monsieur de Lyonne, who has in discourse with the Dutch Ambassador Van Beuninghen, much complained of the procedure of the Bishop, as having received encouragement for his Levies from France; but the States of Munster have it seems declared, that what passed betwixt the French and their Bishop, was done without their knowledge and approbation, and therefore cannot oblige them.

From Ratisbone we are told, that Monsieur de Gravel, and the Deputies of Burgundy, are much labouring to improve their several Interests with the Electoral Colledge, and have given in their papers, containing the sum and reasons of their desires, the Colledge has not as yet determined on either side, though seemingly inclined most to the assistance of the Spaniards, being desirous that great business in dispute might be ended (if possible) by an amicable composition.

Paris, Aug. 10. St. N. Letters of the 14th Instant from the Camp before Lisle, tell us, That the Lines of Circumvallation and Contravallation were finished the 13th, and that in three or four dayes they intended to open their Trenches, and that a Captain of the Champagne Regiment had at noon fallen upon a Redoubt, wherein were 70 of the Spanish Souldiers, and that half of them were killed on the place, the

others made Prisoners; but that the Besieged seem resolved to do their utmost in defence of that City.

The King has ordered the Marechal D'Aumont with a Flying Army to attend the motion of the Spanish Forces, and to secure the passages to the Camp, who is at present lodged between Tournay and the Camp, to secure the Army on that side.

The Garrison of Cambray has commanded in the Country in Picardy as far as the River D'Oise, to pay them contribution.

By Letters from the Duke De Crequy's Army, we are told, That a German Regiment of 1200 Horse have deserted the Service, upon pretence of want of pay.

The Archbishop D'Ambram our Ambassador in the Spanish Court, who was supposed to have been already upon his way home, has by a late Courier advised us, That he had a Fortnight since had his last Audience from that Court, and that in few dayes he intended to begin his Journey from thence.

The Marquis de la Fuente, the Spanish Ambassador, has had the misfortune in his way, to be hurt in his Letter, one of his Mules getting loose, and the other for some time dragging him on the ground, which may for a while retard him.

Our Letters from Rome inform us, that the Duke de Chaulnes our Ambassador, having in a late Audience from his Holiness pressed the restitution of Castro; the Pope told him it was a business of great importance and would require some time to consider of it, and that he has sent to the Duke of Parma to desire him not to sollicite any farther in that affair, but rather to hearken to some way of composition, and to receive satisfaction for his pretensions in money.

Yesterday a Courier brought Letters to the Hostel de Conde to acquaint the Prince, That the Duke D'Enguien was fallen dangerously ill; and 'tis said the Prince is thereupon hastning with all the speed he can possibly for the Army.

Newcastle, August 10. A Privateer of this place has newly sent in hither a Prize, her lading and value not yet known.

Deal, Aug. 10. The last night was brought into the Downs a prize taken by two Fireships, being a Flyboat of near 500 Tuns, laden with salt.

Dartmouth, August 11. Several ships have been seen passing before this Port, and the last night 16 sail, which we suppose French, (a like number with their small Vessels attending them, having been lately discovered by Captain Keigwin off the Isle of Bas, standing for the English Coasts) the same Captain hath with his Privateer brought in a Prize to Torbay, taken off the French Coasts, her lading Hemp, Flax, and some Cloth.

Plymouth, August 11. We have advice from Foy, that the Dutch Fleet consisting of 54 sail of all sorts, were yesterday discovered off that place plying Westwards: Three Vessels arriving here from Pensance, inform us, That the Dutch had been upon some of the outward Islands near Scilly, where they had taken some few sheep, but were forced off to Sea by foul weather.

Alberough, Aug. 12. On Saturday last blew a great storm of wind at South-west, by which one of the seven Dutch Men of War in this Bay had his Main-mast brought by the board. On Sunday morning only five of them appeared in the Bay, but towards the evening we discovered 18 sail more to the Southwards.

Hull, August 12. Yesterday was brought into Humber an Holland's Man of War of 46 guns, taken by some of his Majesty's ships upon the Dogger-sands, after some resistance made, in which the Captain and Lieutenant were both killed. This ship was Convoy to five Fly-boats, intended with Fresh water and Provisions to Van Ghent and had with her the Shallop belonging to the Royal Charles, and aboard her much household-stuff, plundered in the Isle of Sheppy.

Harwich, August 13. The Dutch ships continue their Station as formerly off Bardsey Sands, only one great ship with two small ones, has for two or three dayes been at an Anchor in the Gun-fleet.