

Dantzick, Aug. 24. Letters from Warsaw of the 12th Instant tell us, that their Ambassador *Radziewsky* at the Ottoman Court, informs them, that he hath had three Audiences from the Grand Signior, who declared plainly to him, that unless the late Alliance made with the Muscovite were broken, he could not but appear an open enemy, but if he were complied with in that particular, he would then be a friend, and on all occasions assist Poland with his Forces; till an answer be returned, the Ambassador is not to be admitted to any farther Conference.

The Commissioners at *Limberg* proceed but slowly in satisfying the Soldiers in their Arrears, whose discontents (its much feared) may end in a new Confederation. Some quarrel lately arose between the General *Sichbietsky* and Prince *Wisniewitzky*, which from words proceeded to blows, in which the latter was hurt in the hand, and about 30 persons on both sides killed and wounded.

Rome, Aug. 27. On Monday last his Holiness held a Consistory, wherein after the Proposal of several Bishopricks, he is said to have acquainted the Cardinals, that the French and Spanish Ambassadors had in their Masters names accepted of his Mediation in the Differences between them in relation to the Netherlands; that *Rome* was proposed as a place for the Treaty, but that being refused by the French, *Munster* is agreed upon, to which place all the interested parties are to send their Plenipotentiaries.

Hambourg, Aug. 28. The Swedes Army continues still in its old Quarters, nor is here at present any discourse of its intended motion.

Our Letters from the Rhine tell us, that the Count *de Starenberg* is gone from *Frankfort*, having completed his Regiment of Foot, which he by degrees draws towards the Netherlands. The *Sieur Habbeus*, Resident from the Crown of Sweden, is also gone from thence, intending for *Cologne*, to be present at a Meeting of the Deputies there from several parts, and to have an eye to their Consultations.

Monsieur de Gravel, the French Minister, continues still active in his Negotiation, and is frequently visiting the Court of his Highness the Elector of *Mentz*, using all his Interest to induce him to espouse that of his Master.

The Electors of *Trèves* and *Cologne* seem to have taken far different measures, and will by no means admit of a French Resident in their Courts, as being a thing not consistent with the Relation they have to the Empire, or the Oaths they took as Princes thereof, and 'tis believed the Elector of *Saxony* will endeavour by all the fair means he can, to prevail with the Resident there to retire from his Court.

The Magistrate of the City of *Stratsburg*, has with much civility to the *Sieur Fridschman*, the French Resident there, desired to keep so well within the bounds of moderation, that he may not be pressed to act any thing beyond what his duty obliges him to, that he may avoid suspicion on all sides; but 'tis said he has privately forbidden those of the Council to hold any private Correspondences.

At *Ratisbonne*, the resolution of the States is earnestly pressed, as to the success of the Netherlands, but as yet the Princes Electors, and those of the Empire, have not finally determined any thing, that business being as much perplexed as is possible by the French Minister there. The Envoy from *Burgundy* likewise insists much upon the great prejudice and inconveniences which will indubitably fall upon the Empire, and all the Princes thereof, in case the Treaty of *Munster*, and that of the *Pyreneans* be not observed, but hath not yet prevailed for any resolution in that point.

From *Aschaffembourg* they write, that they are there providing a Quarter for the Baron *de Reiffembourg*, who is accordingly to be removed out of the Bishoprick of *Wurtzbourg*, and to continue a prisoner within the Territories of the Elector of *Mentz*, the Captain of whose Guards has already received Orders to attend his removal.

His Highness the Elector Palatin is reinforcing all his places of defence, not without giving some jealousy to the Elector of *Mentz*, who has not yet dismissed his forces. The *Lorrainers*, to whom the latter had engaged a Baylwick for the payment of their services rendered to him in their late

Wars, continue their possession, till all arrears are satisfied, to the great prejudice of the Country.

Hague, Sept. 7. Our Admiral *de Ruyter* is still cruising about the Channel, and although hostilities be now ceased, 'tis believed will keep still at Sea till the East India Fleet be arrived, with some other Vessels of great value. Vice-Admiral *Ghent* went out on Wednesday last with an intention to have sailed Northwards to attend them that way, but the winds blowing cross, forced him back again.

On Tuesday last the States agreed to permit some of the Spanish Forces in *Flanders* to pass by water from *Sluys*, *Zeland*, and the parts thereabouts as far as *Escaut*. This day the States General had an Assembly particularly to consider the present condition of the Spanish Netherlands, and 'tis probably conjured they may speedily come to some resolution not prejudicial to them.

Hague, Sept. 11. We are now informed that Vice-Admiral *Van Ghent* is put to Sea with the Squadron under his Command.

Antwerp, Sept. 14. The French have for these two days besieged *Alost*, a place which they were formerly possessed of, but then quitted; but the Marquis *de Castel Rodrigo*, thinking it a place very considerable to secure a Correspondence with *Flanders*, lately put into it three Troops of horse, and two Regiments of Foot. We have not any great confidence that it can be able to make any great resistance, especially if the French should bring up their Canon, the fortifications being of little strength, and no half Moon to defend them.

Bruges, Sept. 14. The French Army lie still between *Ghent* and *Brussels*, their main Body about *Monts*, and 'tis supposed intended towards *Namur*, to cut off all Correspondence between *Limburgh*, *Luxemburgh*, and *Prabant*. Yesterday they took *Alost*, betwix *Ghent* and *Brussels*, making all the Soldiers prisoners of War. The great Raids which have lately fallen, will we suppose hinder them from any other Siege this year.

From *Douay* we are told, that the Count *de Guadagne* is to have the Government of that place, and to be made Lieutenant General of the Army, and that he is to be succeeded in his Government by the Count *de Roze*.

There is lately arrived a Regiment of Germans in these parts for our assistance, commanded by the Prince *de Gure*.

Paris, Sept. 14. His Majesty has sent his Pass-ports to *Bayonne* and *Perpignan* for the Cardinal *Visconti*, formerly Nuncio from his Holiness in Spain, and now returning to Rome, but 'tis believed will first see *Paris*, to consider of some Preliminaries in Order to a Treaty between this Crown, and that of Spain, and to agree upon a place to which the Mediators and Ambassadors that are to be employed in that Negotiation may with conveniency come, something being already done in Spain in order therunto by the *Papes* Order, who is pleased to do the Office of a Mediator in this great and important business. The King in Order hereunto is pleased to accept of the Mediation also of all Sovereign Princes who shall offer themselves to interpose in this affair, being willing to manifest to the World his readiness to hearken to any thing that shall be reasonably offered him in satisfaction for his pretensions.

Harwich, Sept. 7. Yesterday 16 or 17 sail of laden Gallies from *Newcastle* were seen making with a small Gale for the River of *Thames*.

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And they hereby give notice, that at his Majesties said Exchequer there is reserved in Bank for the payment of all the preceding Orders, which are of the numbers following, viz. the 135. 153. 354. 365. 382. 389. 399. 400. 411. 413. 421. 426. 429. 443. 444. 445. and the aforesaid Order of 447.