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Madrid, May 14.

**T**HERE Mustered on the 4th Instant of the Old Guards of *Castile* but 160 Horse; they are to Muster again the 17th in the King's Presence; and those that shall be then absent must pay 200 Ducats a Man. We have advice from *Catalonia* that the French Army was advanced to *Bascara* three Leagues from *Gironne*; and that the Duke of *Bourbonville* was posted on the other side of it about five Leagues from that place, his chief strength consisting in 3000 Horse. They write from *Barcelona*, that, according to the advice they have by some Vessels arrived from *Naples*, the whole Fleet of Gallies of this Crown (being about 32 in number) may be expected there with 2000 Neapolitan Foot by the end of this Month: And we are told that Orders have been sent to *Cadix* and other Ports of this Kingdom, for the fitting out 12 Men of War to joyn the said Gallies. We have an account from *Cadix* and *Seville*, that the Moors about *Ceuta* have taken up 30 of the Brass Guns of the *Capitana Real*, that was lately cast away upon that Coast, and that it's believed they will get up all the rest.

*Genoua*, May 16. This morning the French Fleet consisting in 15 Men of War, 20 Gallies, 30 Barks, &c. appeared in sight of this place, and afterwards put into *Vado*, a place about 30 miles to the Westward of this City; and a little before Noon arrived here a Felucca with an Order from Monsieur du *Quejne* to the French Resident to repair on board of him. We are putting our selves into a posture of defence, and the Great Council have empowered the Doge, four Senators, and four Noblemen more, to do whatever they shall think for the publick safety.

*Marseilles*, May 26. The French Fleet is before *Genoua*, and have battered the Town with their Bombs. This morning parted from hence 10 Gallies more to joyn the Fleet; and eight Men of War are fitting out at *Toulon* with all diligence.

*Lintz*, May 23. The Rendezvous of the Imperial Army in *Hungary* will be held the 27th of this Month between the River *Waag* and *Gran*. The Duke of *Lorraine* parted from hence the last week; And Prince *Charles* of *Neuburg* and several other Persons of the first Quality, who will pass this Campaign in *Hungary*, are preparing to follow. They write from *Hungary* that Count *Teckley's* Troops do daily desert him, and that he is reduced to a very desperate condition. The Letters from *Poland* say, that that King will not undertake the Siege of *Caminiec* in the beginning of the Campaign, but leaving that place blocked up, will march towards *Transylvania*, *Moldavia*, and *Valachia*, and endeavour to joyn those Countries to the Crown of *Poland*. The Count de *Colonitz*, Bishop of *Neustadt*, hath to satisfy the Hungarians, quitted the place of President of the Revenues of *Hungary*, and the Count *Erdeudi* is to succeed him.

*Brussels* June 3. The Baron *Del Val* returned yesterday from *Germany*, and has it's said given

Month; And we seem here perswaded they will come time enough to relieve *Luxemburg*. The relations we have of the Siege are very uncertain; We are told that the besieged make a very brave defence; and that on the 28th past the French attacked a Horn-work; and that they lost a great many men. The French Court Chasins at *Falenciennes*; And the Army, commanded by the Marschal de *Schomberg*, in the Neighborhood of *Mons*, though we hear there is a new Camp marked out for them between *St. Amand* and *Tournay*. We have advice that the Governor of *Milan* hath sent a Spanish and an Italian Regiment to the assistance of *Genoua*, upon the French Fleets coming before that place.

*Hague*, June 2. The States of *Holland* re-assembled yesterday; The 1<sup>er</sup> *Van Dieft*, Envoy extraordinary from the Elector of *Brandenburg*, presses the State in the name of his Electoral Highness, to do what lies in them for the putting a speedy end to the War between the two Crowns by a Peace or a Truce.

From the French Camp before *Gironne*, May 22.

The Marschal de *Belfonds* having reposd his Troops for several days after the Fight at *Port Major*, resolv'd to besiege *Gironne*, and accordingly set down before the place, and last night we opened the Trenches, and began a very great Work, which was finished this night. The Duke of *Boarbonville*, Vice-Roy of *Catalonia*, is retired to *Barcelona*, having left 1000 Horse at *Ostalic*.

From the Camp before *Luxemburg* the 29th of May 1684.

The 20th Instant we sprang a Mine that had been prepared at the attack of the Lower Town, which made a Breach that six men might pass in troop, and the Grenadiers of *Burgundy* and *Laquetoc* having driven from thence 50 Soldiers that were posted there, they made a Lodgment of 80 yards in length; The two Captains of the Grenadiers were wounded, and some Soldiers killed and wounded: In the evening the Sieur de *Joyeuse* and the Marquis de *Nelle* mounted the Trenches on the Right with two Battalions of *Champagne*, and the Marquis de *Ranti* on the Left with two other Battalions; We enlarged the Place of Arms that was made the night before, and put it into a condition to contain 3000 men; We began a Cavalier to look into the Covered way of the Town; and continued towards the Left the Lodgment along the *Traverse*, as far as the middle of the face of the Counter-scarp; The Count de *Tonnerre*, Colonel of the Regiment of *Orleans*, was wounded with two or three inferior Officers and some Soldiers: The 25<sup>th</sup> In the afternoon the besieged abandoned the Redoubt on the Left, in which our Cannon had made very great breaches, and retired into the Caponiers of the Ditch of the Redoubt; and we placed two pieces of Cannon to drive them from thence. In the evening the Count de *Saint Geran*, and the Sieur de *Joffroy*, mounted the Trenches on the Right with two Battalions, and the Marquis d'*Uxelles* on the Left with two others; between 12 and 10 a Clock the Enemy sprang two Mines, but without any great effect; we having only three men killed and six wounded; This night we finished the Cavalier and the place of Arms. The 22<sup>nd</sup> our Miners found a Gallery in the Wall of the Congregate, which they made themselves Masters of, and discovered another that went cross it; In the evening the Marquis de *Lambert* and the Sieur de *Wasse* bellied the Trenches on the Right with two Battalions; and the Sieur de *Sahgalerie* those on the Left with two others; We raised on the Right a Battery of three pieces of Cannon against the Pallisadoes of the Counter-scarp to batter the face of the Bastion; and a Battery of Mortar-pieces behind it to hinder the Enemy from firing upon us from the said Bastion and the Half Moon; and a third at the attack of the *Nisus* Muller; We enlarged our Lodgments and prepared a great many