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**B**ristol, Nov. 11. This Tide came up a Vessel from *Milford-Haven*, that saith, A Dutch-man of War, of 28 Guns, was driven in there this last storm, with all her Masts broken, and that she hath rendered her self with all her equipage. This day set sail 30 Merchant-men, and one Convoy, bound for the *West-Indies*. Here is a Vessel brings News, that off the *West-Country*, he met great store of Masts, and Tackle of Ships at Sea, as he supposed Wrecks of Dutch Ships; and the Country-men say, that many bodies are cast up by the Sea upon that Coast, which by their habits they conclude Dutch-men.

*Marseilles*, Nov. 10. The Earl of *Ailesbury*, and his Lady, with their Train, are gone for *Montpellier* to pass the Winter. Duke de *Beauford*, and the Fleet abroad, are expected at *Toulon* to take in Provisions. Four Ships of *St Malo* from *Cadiz* arrived here, with a man of War for Convoy. In their Company came five Dutch Men of War from *Cadiz*, bound for *Sicilia*, to fetch Corn for *Spain*. The rest of the Dutch Fleet at *Cadiz* wants men, the greatest part having deserted their Service, upon a report they had, that an English Fleet was coming into those parts.

*Sevilla*, Octob. 20. The Spanish Armado under the Duke d' *Avero* is arrived at *Cadiz*, whether they have brought in 3 Prizes; an *Hamburger*, a *Venetian*, and a *Genoese*. 'Tis said their Fleet will be ordered towards *Naples* very suddenly, and that the Gallions have directions to be ready to set out in *April*.

*Madrid*, Octob. 28. The Constable of *Castile* is this day made Vice Roy of *Galicia*. 'Tis said from *Alicant*, that *Valencia* is up in Arms, in search of some *Bandalero's*, who disturb their quiet, and that some Troops are sent out to appease the disorder.

*Tunis*, Septemb. 12. A Dutch Vessel bound from *Venice* to *Holland*, was taken by the Men of War of this place, by which 'tis probable this Government intends to break with them. To the English they continue very kinde, having taken off, in their favour, the Prohibition made against Transportation of Corn. There are at present 10 Men of War belonging to this Port and Kingdom, in which the most considerable Persons of the City are interrelled.

*Hague*, Nov. 10. There hath been a Conference about the business of *East-Friesland*, particularly in the matter of those Troops of *Lunenburg*, which the Princess Dowager hath brought in there against the minde of the States of *East-Friesland*, and contrary to that Agreement confirmed by the States-General, which forbids the Prince of *East-Friesland* to bring any Troops into that Country.

It is said, the D. *George of Lunenburg*, leaves his brother the Bishop of *Osnaburg*, to concern himself as he shall think good, in the Succors desired by the States-General against the Prince of *Munster*, but that for his own part he will have nothing to do with them, alledging, that he is Tutor to the young Prince of *East-Friesland*, and that consequently, should he meddle, it might draw other Troops of the Empire into that Country.

The Envoy of the D. *George of Lunenburg*, named *Mollar*, is arrived here, and upon the delivering of his Credentials, hath openly demanded Commissioners to treat with him, which have been granted him: and upon his conference, he hath recommended to the States, to entertain a good correspondence with their Neighbourhoods, and to have an elucidation of the 7. 10. and 17. Article of the Count *Waldeck's* Treaty.

The Prince of *Baden*, General of the Imperial Forces now lying in *Esabant*, &c. hath written in sensible Terms to the States, complaining of their Officers that debauch his Men, and entertain in their Service the Run-aways and Desertors, requiring to have all such delivered up unto him, and that they be not, for the future, received into service here, which he is not like to obtain.

*Groningen*, Nov. 11. We begin to talk slightly of Prince *Maurice*, and that things do not proceed so luckily as we could desire, finding indeed, that the enemies will hardly be dislodged out of *Winschoten* and *Terappel* this Winter; into the first of which, *Gorgas* hath lately passed a supply of 600 fresh Men. Letters of *Hasselt* say, That a Body of 3000 of the Enemies, attempted to passe into the *Drente* by *Roeven*, and that they have so fortified themselves in *Almelo*, *Tirickloo*, and *Wildenburg*, that we shall scarce be able to force them thence this Season.

*Maestricht*, No. 14. The French Troops passed this Town in divers battalions the 11th instant, having been received by the Sieurs *Asperen* and *Beveringh*, and are from thence to march by *Moock*, and so to pass the River at *Nimegben* on the 17. Whence, because that *Gierbrug* is not to be transported, it's thought they shall be admitted to pass through the very Town, and so to be received near *Arnhem* in *Gelderland*, by Prince *Maurice*, who hath order to pass thither.

*Hague*, No. 13. We are assured that General *Gorgas* hath sent, or brought 6000 Men by the Passage of *Harderberg*, &c. to release those shut up near *Winschoten*, which they have accordingly effected, yet so, as to pass the Water up to the belly in the attempt. We are much surprized here, to finde the English have put a Fleet to Sea since our return; and particularly, the Country of *Groningen* is alarmed at it, not knowing what their Design may be, especially considering the *Munster-Army* is Master of a great Tract of the Sea coast at the mouth of the *Eems* below *Delfs Ilc*.

*Vienna*, Oct. 26. The Secretary to Count *Lestey* our Ambassadour is every hour expected from *Constantinople* with an account of the transactions with the Grand Signor, and of our Ambassadours return. The Turkish Ambassadour here intends an express to *Constantinople*, which 'tis thought will not be permitted, till it be known how fairly our Ambassadour is dismissed. We hear they stand upon high termes, demanding a yearly Tribute of the *Hungarian* Crown; and in signification of this pretended Right, they caused the Present (though of singular Art) which our Ambassadour carried thither to be immediately coined into money. The Queen of *Spain* has assured his Imperial Majesty, that in February next the *Infanta* shall set forward on her journey for *Germany*, without fail; for which purpose the Forces appointed to secure the passage, are already on their march.

*Bayonne*, Oct. 28. It is confidently said that the Cardinal d' *Arragon* shall be Archbishop of *Toledo* in the place of Cardinal *Sandoval*, deceased; who shall succeed him in the charge of Inquisitor-General is not yet resolved; But it is confidently reported that the D. *de Medina Celi* hath been prevailed with by the Queen to take the charge of Vice-Roy of *Naples*, notwithstanding his great earnestness to be excused.

*Zurphen*, Nov. 11. Our troops at the *IJsel* are in a grumbling posture, their Horse being pincht for want of provisions, and themselves for want of fire. Some are sent to *Arnhem* to take better care for the entertainment of the French succors. Here is a fearful stir about putting a stop to the Prince of *Munster's* Forces, who they say, intends to march over the *Hardenbergh*, *Buyschap*, and *Sutten* near the Moor in *South-wold* in *Drent*. Major General *Kirke Patrick* is to hasten thither immediately with three Companies, to take men out of *Roeven*, and what other places he can pick them out of to make good the passage; some principal Officer is to be appointed to command; and the Governor of *Coverden* to have notice to look narrowly to their assistance, and second them with some out of his Garrison, if they shall be put upon any difficulty.

*Mentz*, Octob. 21. Here arrived the *Rhinegrave* with Commissions for the raising Three Regiments of Foot, each of 1800 men, and one Regiment of Horse; for which he hath obtained

obtained permission here. The Landgrave George Christian of Hesse Hombourgh Maistre de Campe, General of the Prince of Munster's Forces, is past this way towards Vienna. Upon the fresh disputes broke out again betwixt his Electoral Highness of this place, and the Prince Palatine of Heidelburgh, Monsieur de Lislebon, Son in Law to the Duke of Lorraine arrived here this day with several good Troops; and it is said that near 4000 men more are upon their march hither.

Swoll, Nov. 13. The Munsterish Forces have posted themselves very well at Winschoten, Elygerlee, and Terappel, having the back-door open towards Westphalia, and the Winter keeping off Prince Maurice on the other side.

Hague, Nov. 11. Since the Directors departure, Capt. Hals and Director Wessels, with their Gallies, went aboard de Ruyter to give an account of their Voyage on the Coast of England, the total of which was this, That they spied a Fireship of theirs, the Fortune, and a Frigate the Edam, the one wearing a Red Flag, and the other a White, in chase of seven small English Vessels; but the English being nimble Sailors secured themselves before they could reach any of them.

Hague, Nov. 12. Since my last, is a Petition framed by the Council of State to the Provinces, for a supply of Twelve millions to answer the pressing necessities of the War at Sea and Land, the Admiralties having at the same time given in an estimate of the last years expence at Sea, which amounts to Fourteen millions in little more than half a year. Towards which, even the last levies of moneys have not yet been completed, no not by them of Holland, but is promised to be done on Monday next.

Upon the debate of the business of East-Friezland it was resolved by the States of Holland, to which the States General have likewise agreed, that as well the Prince of East Friezland, as the Standen (the States of the Countrey) should be sent to, to depute Persons hither to consider in general of some way how to provide for the safety of that Province in this dangerous conjuncture; and for the quartering the Troops of Lunenburg, in case they be sent into our service.

The Treaty with Brandenburg is at a stand, insomuch, that the Minister of that Elector is gone hence to attend his Master about it at Cleves.

The unfortunate accident hapning to the Yong Rbi rave will occasion a strict Placcard against Duels throughout all the Provinces, whereas it was hitherto onely in Holland.

We are much concerned in what hath hapned to the C. d' Anvergne, who passing betwixt Maestricht and Boisseduc upon the King of Spains Territories, was lately surprized by some of the Bishops forces.

Hague, Nov. 17. The Sr. Lessyn, Envoy from the K. of France to the Bishop of Munster is arrived here; of his errand thither, we have no more, but that he hath offered the Bishop his Masters mediation with the States, for an agreement between them.

Brussels, Nov. 13. The last from Munster tells us, the Bridge over the Marsh would be complicated in few days, for the passage of both Horse and Foot; when we may look for some considerable action. Monsieur Lessyn, the French Envoy from Brandenburg, arrived the same day, who having not had Audience, his errand was not then known. There are now no further apprehensions of the Brumswick Troops attempting ought to the disadvantage of Munster.

A Messenger returned hither from Bourtaign, contradicts the Report of its being taken; but assures us, it is so much prest, that it cannot hold our many days.

Ditto 17. The Meppen Letters speak of great shooting heard two days together, which begot a report of the taking of Groningen, though we can hardly believe it but upon better grounds. Many of the French who past at Maestricht, are observed since to have mist their way and fall in here. The liberty they took in their passage, was hardly tollerable, paying (as is said) nothing at all in the County of Liege, and of what they paid at Maestricht, much was found to be in bad money; where, in their merriments they were seen publickly to drink the King of Englands and the Prince of Munsters health in the Market place.

Friday, Octob. 29. At last the Truce between the two Electors of Mentz and Heidelburgh, is concluded on, and was pub-

lished the 21 instant; and by this Preliminary Agreement, two months time is given for an amicable Treaty; after which if the parties cannot agree, four months are given for the Commissioners or Arbitrators to agree them in if they can.

The Princes of the House of Saxe, have a general meeting at Torgaw, where they are to consult with the Head of their Family, his Electoral Highness, about the common Affairs of their House in this conjuncture.

His Electoral Highness of Brandenburg arrived at Cassel on Sunday last, with a Train of more then 2000 horse, and was to depart towards his own country of Ravestein yesterday, and so to Cleves.

Plymouth, Novemb. 14. The Pearl and Little-Gift went hence with three Ships bound for Virginia, to convoy them to the Soundings. The Richmond has convoyd home several Colliers from Wales, and this day brought in a prize laden with provisions for Holland.

Pendennis, Novemb. 12. The two French men of War (mentioned in the former) bound to Martinico with men for the strengthening that Island, are gone forward on their voyage.

Ipswich, Nov. 13. On Saturday morning 11th instant past by near 100 sayl of laden Colliers from Newcastle directly for London, and 30 sayl from Ipswich water bound for the same place, and joynd themselves with them.

Weymouth, Nov. 14. Last week a Frenchman laden with Salt, bound for Exon, was forc'd in to this Harbour by some Privateers: the commodity was welcome, and he finding the Market for his purpose, made sale here.

Newcastle, Nov. 11. When the Sickness appeared first here (which is but of young date) we were not without the sad apprehension of a severe Mortality, but it hath pleased God already to put a stop to its progress, there being not one person sick in the whole Town; and those that were sent in the Fields, well recovered.

Tarmouth, Nov. 13. A Prize lately brought in by a Privateer, was plundered here by some Seamen, three of which being taken, are clapt up in Prison. On Saturday last, about 80 sayl of laden Colliers, with several Victuallers from Hull, set sayl for London.

Oxon, Nov. 15. 'Tis writ by a very good hand from Surat, that Mr. Cook, who went Secretary to Sir Abraham Shipman, and was by Sir Abrahams Order, a little before his death, entrusted with the remaining Forces of the English there, is now in full possession of Combyn. That which gives the greater credit to it, is, that Surat being but 40 Leagues distant may very well give an account of the place. Further Particulars this Letter which came over-land, hath not.

Oxon, 17. This day Don. Patricio Omolidei, Resident in this Court from the Catholique King, hath had his audience of Conge from his Majesty, being in few daies to return for Spain.

Oxon, 18. We are expecting to hear the certainty of what is said to have hapned to the Geneva Merchant, and two other smaller Merchants ships in the Streights, the Adventure, & the Mercury Ketch: whereof 'tis said the first has been sunk, and the other taken by some French Men of War in those seas, with circumstances, if we credit report, that aggravate the matters very sensibly, but we are not willing to believe so ill of our neighbours, till we have just reason for it.

The French Ambassadors have acquainted his Majesty that they have received orders of Revocation from their Master, and that accordingly they intend to depart in few days.

An Envoy sent from the Court of Savoy, to complement His Majesty upon the occasion of that Dukes marriage with Madamoiselle de Neamours, hath had audience of His Majesty with the usual Ceremonies.

This day the Right Reverend Father in God, Dr. John Earle, Lord Bishop of Sarum, departed this life about nine at night, having for several days lain under his old distemper of the Stone attended with a violent Fever.

Saturday, Nov. 18. The several Courts of Justice sate in the Schools at Oxon, according to an Adjournment made at Westminster to that purpose, in pursuance of His Majesties Proclamation of the 26 of September last.

His Majesty hath appointed John Williams Esq; to serve High Sheriff of Cardigan, in the room of James Siedman Esq; formerly nominated for that County.