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Rome, May 10.

ON the 4th instant the Cardinal *de Fourbin* had a long Audience of the Pope, who the day following held a private Conclave, where he gave leave to the Cardinal *d'Estree* to propose the 4 French Churches that were Preconised in a former Conclave; but would not permit the going on with the Preconisation of the other French Bishops, who assisted in the Assembly of 1682, declaring, That he expected first the Satisfaction which the Court of France had promised him in the matter of the 4 Propositions, and the Regale. The French Cardinals are now endeavouring to adjust this Point; the consideration whereof is referred by the Pope to a Congregation of 7 Cardinals. The Popes Gallies will Sail in 8 or 10 days to joyn the Venetian Fleet in the *Levant*.

Turin, May 18. Our Troops are marching to their Rendezvous near *Montcalier*, where 4000 Germans are already encamped; and 4000 more are on this side *Milan*, in their march thither. The Chevalier *de Noailles* is come with 30 French Gallies, and several Figars, before *Oneglia*. On the 15th instant Died here the Prince *Ludovica Maria*, Aunt to his Royal Highness, to whom she has left all her Estate; and her Jewels, which are very considerable, to the Dutchess.

Venice, May 23. We have advice from *Dalmatia*, That the Turks have emptied all their Garisons on that side, by the Detachements they have sent to their Army in *Hungary*. The Count *de Trautsmendorf* is arrived here, and has received his Commission to be Lieutenant General of our Land Forces. The last Convey that went hence to the *Levant* has suffered very much by ill weather, and one Ship, which had on board some Soldiers, is cast away. By a Vessel from *Napoli di Romania* we understand, That our Fleet lay there ready to Sail.

Vienna, May 25. The last News from our Camp before *Great Waradin*, is; That on the 17th they began to Fire upon the place from two Batteries, and made a large Breach in one of the Battions. Most of the Water was already drawn out of the Ditch. Three Regiments more, to wit, those of *Heister*, *Houffin*, and *Stirum*, were arrived in the Camp; and every thing was preparing for an Assault. On the other hand, the Besieged began to be very much disheartned, since the Succors that have been so long promised them, did not yet appear, and they talk'd of Capitulating. The Imperial Forces that are to compose the main Army in *Hungary*, are marching to their Rendezvous; and in the mean time, a flying Camp is forming on the *Sava*, under the Command of the Duke of *Croy*. The Turks draw together at the same time towards *Sclawia*, where, as they give out, their new Grand Visier is shortly expected. Here is a Report, That the Imperialists have upon Articles with the Turks, quitted the Cave of *Pescobara*. Yesterday passed by this place a Bavarian Regiment of Foot, of 1800 Men, towards *Hungary*; and another of Dragoons will follow in 2 or 3 days.

Frankfurt, June 1. The Elector of *Cologne* is passed through this City in his way towards *Municken*. Here arrive daily Recruits for the Imperial Forces quartered in these Parts, who are now going to leave their Winter Quarters, and march into the Field. The French do form a Camp of 8 or 10000 Men near *Neustadt*, between *Wintzingen* and *Mosbach*, where 4 Irish Regiments

of Foot are lately arrived. The Marechal *de Loges* has his Quarters at *Wintzingen*.

Hamburg, June 3. They write from *Berlin* of the first instant, That the Elector of *Brandenburg*, upon the News of the Siege of *Namur*, parted from thence that day for *Cleves*. Three Thousand Suedes are on their march to joyn the Confederate Forces on the *Upper Rhine*; where they propose to be about the 10th of this Month.

Paris, June 3. The 30th past we had an account from *Diep*, that they had heard the day before great Shooting at Sea, since which, divers Expresses have come hither from the Coast of *Normandy*, and others have been dispatched to the French King; In the general, we are told there has been an Engagement between the two Fleets, but for the particulars of it they are kept very Secret, which makes People suspect the News is not good, and that our Fleet is beaten, as seems indeed to be owned by the disorder that appears among those that are best informed of what has passed. From *Flanders* we hear, That the Trenches were opened before *Namur* on the 31st past, and that they pushed on the Siege with all the vigour they were able; the Duke of *Luxemburg* lying with the greatest part of the Army at *Gemblours* to cover it. From the *Mediterranean* we have advice, That the Chevalier *de Noailles* being come before *Oneglia* with the French Gallies and Gallies, after having Bombarded the Town, landed about 2000 Men, and found it abandoned by the Garison, and most of the Inhabitants; The French entered the place, and though they met with no Resistance, yet such was their Fury and Barbarity, that they not only plundered and burnt the Town, but put to the Sword all the Inhabitants that remained there.

Brussels, June 4. The Confederate Army marches towards *Namur*; Yesterday they encamped between the Abbeyes of *Hertzendal*, *Parc*, and the little River *Welpé*; And to morrow they will advance towards *Meldert* and *Judoigne*; and from thence towards *Pervez*, and the River of *Mabagne*, behind which the Marechal *de Luxemburg* is encamped with the Army that covers the Siege, having his Right towards *Bonef* and *Taviers*, and his Left towards *Gemblours*. The French opened their Trenches against *Namur* the 31st past at Night, and do batter the Town and Castle with 100 pieces of Cannon and 40 Mortars. The French King has his Quarters between the *Sambre* and the *Meuse*, a League from the Place; against which they carry on 3 Attacks. They have laid several Bridges over the *Meuse* and the *Sambre* for the Communication of their quarters. The Besieged defend themselves very well, and are not sparing of their Shot; one of which falling among a considerable quantity of the Enemies Powder, set fire to it, and killed and wounded divers of their Men.

From

From the Kings Camp at Meldert, June 5. On the 3d instant the Army marched from Bethlem Abbey, and encamped on this side of Louvain. His Majesty having His Quarters at Parke Abbey; That day the Elector of Bavaria joyned us with the Spanish Horse, and those in the King of Spain's Pay, making together about 30 Squadrons. Yesterday we had an account, that General Fleming, and Count Serclaes de Tilly, had passed the Meuse with the Brandenburg Troops and those of Liege, under their Command, being about 18000 Men, and that they were advanced as far as St. Truyen. We had an account that the French had raised several Batteries against Namur, from whence they played very furiously upon the Town; And that on Monday last the Enemy carried by Assault an advanced Work before St. Nicolas Gate, but were quickly beaten out again with the loss as it's said of 5 or 600 Men. This day we marched two Leagues, and encamped at Meldert, about 7 Leagues from Namur; Two Bavarian Regiments of Cuirassiers have joyned us, making 10 Squadrons; His Majesty saw them as they marched in to the Camp, and was very well pleased with them, being in a very good Condition notwithstanding their long march. We have advice, That the Duke of Luxemburg is removed nearer to Namur, and that the French press the Siege very closely. To morrow we march again towards the Enemy; The King has sent away all the heavy Baggage to Louvain. General Fleming is just now come to wait upon His Majesty, the Forces he brings with him, being 50 Squadrons and 13 Battalions, are within 4 or 5 miles of us, and will joyn us to morrow; and then our Army will consist of 60000 Foot and 24000 Horse and Dragoons; We reckon by Sunday to be very near the Enemy, among whom our late Victory at Sea occasions a great Consternation.

Hague, June 6. The Letters from Flanders tell us, That the King was marching to the Relief of Namur, and that we may quickly expect to hear of a Battle. His Majesty intends to be himself at the Head of the main Body, the Elector of Bavaria Commanding the Right, and Prince Waldecke the Left Wing. There are Letters from Paris which own that the French lost four Ships in the Fight. We are told that the Elector of Saxony has ordered his Forces to march to the Rhine.

Falmouth, May 26. On Tuesday last was seen off of this Harbour four great Ships standing to the Westward, supposed to be French Men of War that were disabled in the late Engagement.

Plymouth, May 29. On the 26th came in here from Falmouth Their Majesties Ships the *Pearle*, *Chatham*, and *Jans* Galley, with three Dutch Men of War and a Fireship, who were Convoy to the Merchantmen that came lately from *Bilboa*; and on the 27th they set Sail again to join Their Majesties Fleet. Yesterday Sailed from hence the *Samuel* and *Henry*, with the Merchant Ships under her Convoy for *New England*.

Portsmouth, May 31. On Saturday last in the Evening arrived here the Earl of *Rocheſter*, the Earl of *Portland*, and my Lord *Sidney*, who went the next day on board the Fleet, and are this day returned again towards *London*. The Train of Artillery that was encamp'd at *Petersfield* is come hither. On the 29th, Sir *John Ashby*, with the Squadron under his Command, rejoyned the Fleet at *St. Helena*. We had yesterday and last night very

stormy Weather, the Wind at S. W. but we do not hear that their Majesties Ships have received any Damage.

Deale, May 30. Yesterday in the Evening came into the *Downes* five Dutch Men of War and a Fireship, belonging to the Province of *West Friseland*, who are bound to the Westward to join the English and Dutch Fleet. A Danish Vessel that is come into the *Downes* from *France*, Reports, That they saw off of *Beachy* two great French Men of War very much disabled.

THE Gentlemen concerned in the Patent for Improving of English Manufactures made of Woolen and Linen, &c. so as to make them hold out Water, and preserve them from Moths and Mildew, having now fully perfected and settled the same, to the Satisfaction of several Persons of Quality, and others who have experienced it, do hereby give Notice, That all Persons having occasion to make use of the said Improvement, may send their Goods or other Things to their Office at Mr. Bradford's in Drury-lane, over-against Great Queen-street, and Broad-street, London, near the Excise-Office, where they shall be carefully done at the Rates now agreed upon and published, which are to be had at each of the said Offices.

Advertisements.

*** A Letter to a Friend, concerning a French Invasion, to Restore the late King James to his Throne; And what may be Expected from him should he be Successful in it. Sold by Randall Taylor near Amen-Corner.

*** The Present State of Europe, containing an Historical and Political Account of the Interests, Pretensions, and Transactions of the several Courts for the Month of May 1691. Vol. 3. To be continued Monthly from the Original Published at the Hague. Printed for H. Rhodes near Bride-lane in Fleetstreet, and J. Harris at the Harrow in the Poultry.

*** The History of the Athenian Society, by a Gentleman who got secret Intelligence of their whole Proceedings, to which is prefixt several Poems, Written by Mr. Tate, Mr. Moxon, Mr. Richardson, and others: 'tis Printed in the same size with the Athenian *Mercuries*, that it might bind up with the entire set for the year 1691. Sold by R. Baldwin in Warwick-lane. Price 1s.

** At the Barbadoes Coffee-house in Exchange-Alley, on Monday the 6th instant, and the rest of the Week, at 3 after Noon each day, will be sold by Auction, by Edw. Millington, about 1000 of valuable Pictures, most of them Originals, and very good Copies of the best Masters of Europe. The Pictures may be viewed, and Catalogues had, 3 days before the Sale.

*** At the Crown Coffee-house in Threadneedle-street, on Monday the 6th instant, will be sold by Auction, a curious Collection of English Books, in Divinity, History, &c. continuing from 10 in the Morning till 12, and from 3 after Noon till 8. Catalogues are distributed at Mr. W. Millers at the Acorn in St. Pauls Church-yard, Mr. Collins at Temple-Bar, Mr. Hartley against Grays-Inn Gate in Holborn, and at the place of Sale.

*** At Tho. Hulbearts at the Ship and Anchor over against Gun-yard in Houndsditch, Upholsterer, you may be furnished with several sorts of Household Goods; as Damask, Mohair, and Camblet Beds, all lined with Silk, with Silk Quills suitable, several Sorts, Cabinets and Chests of Drawers of right East-India, and other Work, with Tables, Stanns, and Looking-glasses, Feather-Beds and Down-Beds, ordinary Quills, Ruggs, Blankets, and other Goods, which will be sold at reasonable Rates. The lined Beds may be seen ready standing up, second hand or new.

Lost on Saturday last between St. Pauls Church-yard, and the 6 Clerks Office, or betwixt that and little Turn-Sale, Holborn, two Parchment Writings Seal'd. Whoever hath found them are desired to deliver them to Mr. Mofly, Apothecary, at Fetter-lane-end in Holborn, and they shall have 10s. Reward.

Paul Vile, a French Man, Sergeant in Colonel Cambon's Regiment of Foot, a short thick Man, very black in Countenance, aged 36, wears a black Periwig, broke out of the *Marshes* on the 24th past at Night. Whoever gives notice of him to Lieutenant Colonel de Beyron, at his House in Kings-Square-Court, Sobor, or to Mr. Robert Davis at the Ball in Parkers-lane, shall have two Guineas Reward, and Charges.

Strayd from Grass near Petersfield in Hampshire the 12th pth. S a bay Mare, with a star in her Forehead, cut Tail, shorn Muzz, about 14 hands high; also a sea-bitten grey Gelding, shorn Muzz, cut Tail, about 14 hands high. Whoever gives Notice of them to Mr. Coleton at the Garter Tavern in Winchester, or to the Master of the Swan Inn in the Strand, London, shall have a good Reward.