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At the Council-Chamber in Whitehall,
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PRESENT

Their Excellencies the Lords-Justices of England
in Council.

Whereas by the Laws and Statutes of this Realm, the Exportation of the Gold and Silver Coynes of this Kingdom, is prohibited under the Penalty of Forfeiture of all such Coyne as shall be exported beyond the Seas, or put on board any Ship or Vessel in order to be exported, or shall be in the keeping of any Person, that is passing in any Ship or Vessel to go out of any Port, Haven, or Creek in this Realm; The Advantage of which Forfeiture is by the Law given to His Majesty, and no part thereof to the Person discovering the same; And whereas many evil disposed Persons, to make unreasonable and unlawful Gains to themselves, do presume in breach and violation of the said Laws to Export beyond the Seas great Sums of the Gold and Silver Coynes of this Kingdom; Which Practices, if not timely prevented, may occasion a great Diminution of the Wealth of England, For the Encouragement therefore of the Officers of His Majesty's Customs, and all other Persons whatsoever, to use their utmost Diligence and Endeavours to Discover and Seize all such Gold and Silver Coyne, as shall be Exported or put on board any Ship or Vessel in order to be Exported, or shall be in the Keeping of any Person passing out of this Realm, and that they may have the same Share of such Coyne, as shall be seized or discovered by them, as by Law is given to the Persons, who shall seize or discover any Bullion exported contrary to Law: It is Ordered by their Excellencies in Council, That the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury do grant and allow to such Officer or other Person whatsoever, who shall discover or seize any Sum or Sums of the Gold or Silver Coyne of this Kingdom which shall be Exported, or put on board any Ship or Vessel in order to be Exported, or shall be in the Keeping of any Person passing out of this Realm; One Coyne of such Gold or Silver, which shall be so seized or discovered, as a Reward to such Person for his Diligence in making such Discovery or Seizure.

JOHN NICHOLAS.

Turin, June 18. N. S. The French remain in their Camp near Rivolta without attempting anything; From whence Marechal Catinat has sent a second Letter to the Marquis de St. Thomas, the Duke of Savoy's Secretary of State, with new Conditions of Peace; Who has again answered him, That his Royal Highness will communicate his Proposals to the Princes his Allies, being resolved not to Treat without them; We have almost finished the Works that cover this City, which are very good, and have raised Batteries in several places where they are most useful, and our Troops are so well posted, that we are in no fear either for this place or Coun. Our Parties do very much annoy the Enemy, and two days ago some of our Troops attack'd another of their Guards, killed several, and brought away the rest Prisoners; 'Tis certain they suffer very much by the scarcity of Provisions, and that their Army is much weakened as well by Desertion and Sicknes, as by the Peasants, who kill all the Stragling Soldiers they meet with; and if they stay much longer

where they now are, they may find it very difficult to make a good Retreat.

Vicma, June 20. The Imperial Army was, by our last Advices, encamped near Segedin, and several Bridges were laid over the Theysse, in order to their passing that River; We believe they are by this time before Temeswaer, the Resolution being taken to Besiege that place; For which purpose a great Train of Artillery is sent to the Army; We have yet no News of the Grand Signior's being set out from Adrianople, nor of the Enemy's having any Body of Troops together near our Frontiers, so that we hope to effect our Design, before they can be in a posture to give us any Disturbance in it. General Caprara arrived the 14th Instant at Pest, in his way to the Army. General Truchses commands a flying Camp near Peter-Waradin; and General Rabutin another in Transilvania. The Emperor's Gallies and other Vessels commanded by the Sieur Assenberg, are ordered to cover the Provisions that are sent by Water to Titul, and other Places on the Theysse, from whence they may be most conveniently conveyed by Land to the Army. The Saxon Forces that arrived here some days ago, went on yesterday towards Hungary.

Francfort, June 27. The French Army is come to Woldorff, about 3 Leagues from Hydelberg, and we hear the Marechal de Choiseul has sent for the Copper Boats that are at Philipsbourg. Prince Lewis (whose Army is reinforced by the Bavarian and other Troops) is in all probability now on his march towards them, for the last Letters from his Camp at Steppach said, Orders were given out for that purpose; and 'tis believed that upon the approach of the Allies the French will repass the Rhine; 'Tis said, they have sent a small Detachment to join the Marquis de Harcourt on the Messelle, who as they give out, is to invest Rhinfelt; but we are under no apprehensions for that place, it being very well provided, and ready to receive them.

Cologne, June 29. The Troops of Holstein who passed the Rhine some days ago, continue their march towards the Meuse. The Venetian Ambassadors that were in England, are passed through this City on their return home.

Hamburgh, June 29. The Letters from Warsaw give an account, that the Senate had met upon the death of the King of Poland, and that they were preparing things in the usual manner for a new Election.

Paris, June 29. The Affairs of Savoy have been of late the great Subject of Discourse here, and much talk there has been of a Peace that was said to be Negotiating with that Prince, but the hopes we had of it lessen every day, his Royal Highness not being to be prevailed upon, either by Threats or Promises, to engage in any separate Treaty; In the mean time the Marechal de Catinat is not, it seems, in a condition to attempt any thing, for we may be confident he would not be thus quiet, if he saw any probability of success. A Letter from Pignerol of the 20th Instant gives the following Account. The French Army
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