

The Turkish Fleet is still at Sea, though we hear not of any design they have in hand. The Corsairs of *Tripoli*, do very much infest the Seas near *Gallipoli* and those other parts, eight or ten Sails of them being seen together, and have lately taken two *Taxians* laden with Oyle, a *Genouefe* with Salt, and two other Vessels bound for *Naples*.

From *Dalmatia* they write, that Procurator *Nani* was gone from *Spalatro* to *Cliffa*, to meet the *Bassa* of *Bossina*, being the place appointed for their first conference to be the 12 instant. We have advice, that the Turks begin to be very numerous on the Frontiers of *Hungary*, and that they have lately fallen in upon a party of *Heydukes*, of which they killed about 70 upon the place, but withall, they add, that the *Bassa* had sent immediately to the Court at *Vienna*, to acquaint the Emperor with what had passed, and that it was not to be looked upon as a breach of the Peace, which they would ever keep inviolable, but onely as a just punishment on some of the Grand Signiors own Subjects, for so it seems, the Port counts them.

We are assured, that the Grand Signior is on his march towards *Belgrade*, with a very numerous Army, but on what design, none yet know. Here are Letters in Town, which tell us, that the *Multha* Gallies having lately met with three *Argiers* men of War off of *Cantia*, took the Admiral after a sharp engagement, the other two escaping by the favor of the wind; that they have taken above 200 Slaves; having lost in the action 20 Knights of their Order, and above threescore Seamen.

*Dantzick* July 22. The *Diet* held at *Marienburg* is happily concluded, the Nobility having expressed a more than ordinary readiness to concur in any thing which might seem conducing to the security and welfare of the Kingdom, and to that end, have resolved to raise a considerable Summe of Money, proportionable to the present exigency of affairs.

From *Warsaw* they write, that the great General *Sobietzki* had sent thither to his Majesty several Letters, which he had received from *Dorofensko*, General of the *Cossacks*, containing the Conditions on which he would Treat with this Crown, which it is said, are more moderate then he hath formerly insisted on; what may be done upon it, we expect to hear very suddainly. That it is not yet known when the King will begin his journey towards *Lublin* and *Leopold*, the Queen not being yet perfectly well.

*Brussels*, July 26. Yesterday his Excellency the Count *de Montorey* returned hither from *Huynault*, having visited *Mons*, *Valenciennes*, and several other places in those parts; it is said, his Excellency intends very suddainly for *Flanders*, and afterwards for *Gelderland*.

This Morning went hence several Companies of Spanish Foot for *Dendermonde*, where they are to continue in garrison. According to our last advices from *Cologne*, those Magistrates had given over all hopes of an Accommodation, and are wholly intent upon making all possible preparations to meet the danger which now seems so near to threaten them; that Elector is raising of Men with all imaginable vigor and diligence, and hath, as we are told, lately taken into his Service, the Regiment of the Count *de Lip*.

The Marshal *de Crequi* lyes still encamped with the Forces under his Command on the River *Sarre*, and as is said, hath sent to some of the Princes on the *Rhine*, to desire passage for his Troops in case he should have occasion

*Brussels*, July 29. The seven Companies of Spa-

nish Foot which were lately sent to *Mons*, are now returned hither again, though the eight other Spanish Companies, which were upon the same occasion likewise sent thither have orders from his Excellency to continue there, till he shall otherwise direct.

The Duke *d'Acersbot* has been some days in Town, and hath in that time had several conferences with his Excellency; on Saturday next he returns again to *Mons*. To morrow his Excellency goes hence for *Flanders*, intending first for *Ghent*, where having made a short stay, will proceed to visit the whole Province round, as likewise *Artois*; it is thought his Excellency may be about a Month or six weeks absent from this place, where in the mean time, the work of the Fortifications is carried on with all the diligence imaginable.

Saturday last came to Town the Prince *d'Artemberg*, but intends to make no long stay here. Don *Emanuel de Lyra* is not yet returned hither from the *Hague*, but is expected before his Excellencies departure.

We have advice, that Don *Nicronimo Quinones*, Governor of the *Franche Comte*, is on his way thither.

*Cologne*, July 28. The affairs of this place continue as formerly, which makes our Magistrates redouble their care, in the putting every thing in a becoming posture, and suitable to the present conjuncture of affairs; they have ordered for the better advancing our Fortifications, upon which the strength and security of this place seems so much to depend, that four Companies of *Tirayn* Bands, consisting of 600 Men, shall, besides the *Soldiers*, which are 2000 Men compleat, work dayly on the new Bulworks, which was yesterday put in execution, several of the Magistrates with the principal Citizens of the Town, having for their greater encouragement been there present, and assisted at the work.

Yesterday arrived here an Extraordinary Courier from *Vienna* with Letters to the Marquis *de Grana*, what their contents were, we yet know not. About the same time arrived here the Heer *Ryhn Grave*, Governor of *Maastricht*, who hath been since, together with the Heer *van Sypestein*, to visit the Fortifications of this place, and this day were treated at a very noble Dinner by the Bishop of *Strafsburgh*. We are here much encouraged by the promises we have, of being assisted from abroad in case of a Rupture.

*Hague*, July 30. The States of *Holland* are still assembled, and have, as we are told, at present before them, several matters of great importance, and amongst others, that concerning the forbidding the Importation of some sort of Wines, in which those of *Amsterdam*, have as is said, already declared their resolution, so that it is thought, they may suddainly come to a determination in it.

Colonell *Bampfild* continues in Town, but intends to return in few dayes for *Cologne*; in the mean time we cannot yet hear with any certainty of the forming of an Army, nor of what Troops are intended to be sent hence towards *Cologne*, from whence all our Letters tell us, of the great appearance there seems to be, that after all, things will come to a Breach.

The Velt Marshal *Wurtz* is still here, and on Tuesday next we expect Prince *Maurits* here from *Cleve*. From *Hamborough* they write, that notwithstanding their fears and apprehensions of being attacked abate dayly, they continue to make all necessary preparations for their defence and security in case of any accident.