

notwithstanding his not having had any Letters of Credence from the Grand Signior to his Imperial Majesty, been admitted to have Audience of the Emperor, and is now upon his departure again. They speak here of 10 Regiments that are ordered to march under the Command of the Velt Marshal *Souches* towards the *Rhyn*, to observe what passes about *Cologne*.

*Ratisbonne*, July 30. Some days since passed through this place a Courier Extraordinary from *France*, with Letters to Monsieur *Gremonville*, Resident from that Crown at *Vienna*. On Thursday last the Bishop of *Aichstadt* arrived at *Charitrense* near this place, where he intends to reside the whole Summer, but so, as to be constantly present at this Dyet, the next day he was visited by most of the Deputies, and Complimented by them upon his return hither, to whom he recommended with great earnestness, the conclusion of the public concerns of the Empire, and especially that of the public security and perpetual Capitulation, which it is thought, may now take life again.

*Paris*, August 6. The Court hath been since Monday last at *Fontainebleau*, where their Majesties intend to be in all, about 14 days; At the Kings return to *St. Germain*, it is said, the Commissions for the new Foot Leavies may be given out, though those for the Cavalry will not, till about the beginning of *October* next. Here are lately arriv'd Deputies from the Townes of *Lisse*, *Tournay*, &c. it is said they come to sollicite the revocation of an Edict, which it seems his Majesty has ordered to be published, for the suppressing the small Flemish Monies in the late Conquered places, which the said Deputies pretend will be an infinite prejudice to their Trade; these small coyns being very necessary, by reason of the correspondence they have with the other places, under the Dominiun of his most Christian Majesty.

It is said, that the King is sending an Officer into *Dalmatia*, to raise with the leave of the Republick of *Venice*, a Regiment of Horse in those parts; we are told, that the Republick of *Lucca* hath granted the Sieurs *Magalotti* and *du Clo*, to raise 300 Horse in their Territories.

From *Marseilles* they write, that the Squadron of men of War, under the command of the Sieur *d'Almeras*, is at present cruising between *Tunis* and *Tripoli*, waiting an opportunity to attempt something upon the *Corfsairs* of those two places; that the Count *de Vivonne* was with the Nine French Gallies under his command at *Porto Ferraro*, where he had lately been very dangerously ill, but was at present much recovered, and in a condition to put to sea again.

We have advice, that the Count *d'Estrees* Vice-Admiral of *France* arriv'd the 8 past at *Cascais*, at the mouth of the River of *Lisbon*, whither he is with his Fleet to conduct the Dutcheffs of *Cadaval*. The Duke *d'Espernon* hath been lately by the Kings order committed Prisoner to the *Chastellet*, and since removed to the Fort *l'Evesque* for some abuse by him offered to the Marquis *de Valencay*.

All the Kings Sea Captains whose Ships are at *Toulon*, or *Marseilles*, have orders to repair immediately thither. The affairs of the Sieur *Montde Vergie*, who was said to have been by the Kings order, seized on at his arrival at Port *Louis* from the *East Indies*, are, as we are told, in a very bad condition, his Process being already framed, and

carrying on against him with much earnestness, by Monsieur *Hotman*, assisted by several Councillors of the *Presidial de Vannes*, together with the Kings Procurator, who were sent thither for that purpose.

From *Cologne* our last Letters tell us, that the Bishop of *Strasbourg* continues to assure those Magistrates of their Electors peaceable intentions towards them, and that things may be yet accommodated to the satisfaction of all parties. That the Duke of *Lorraine* who hath been extrem ill there, begins to go abroad again, but hath not as yet perfectly recovered his former strength.

*Cologne*, August 7. Tuesday last our Elector arriv'd at *Hülchradt*, where he intends to pass some time in hunting, and then to go for *Lyn*, to take the same diversion there. The Bishop of *Strasbourg* is in the interim at *Brenl*, watching the actions of this Magistracy, as being unwilling, as is said, by his residence here, to trust his Servants in this place, since the late indignity offered the Burgemaster by one of his Pages, in conveying away privately his staff of command.

Here is dead the Burgemaster *Brassart*, to the great grief and affliction of these Inhabitants, being a person who by his great prudence, and singular justice and integrity in the administration of affairs, had gained an extraordinary esteem amongst the people.

*Hague*, August 9. Yesterday dyed here Don *Estevan de Gamara* in the Seventieth year of his age, after having resided in this place 16 years, in quality of Ambassador from the Crown of *Spain*, with a general repute; it is thought, this may hasten his successor Don *Emanuel de Lyra* hither, who we hear, is at present with the Count *de Montreux* in *Flanders*.

The Heers *van Ripperda*, *Bearse*, and *Waerken-dam* are returned hither from *Byleveldt*, and tomorrow are to make their report to the States General, of the posture of affairs there. The States General have not as yet concluded any thing in the matter for the forbidding the Importation of French Wines, Brandy, Salt, &c. several difficulties daily rising, which hinder them from coming to any positive determination in it; here is arriv'd the Pensionary, together with several of the Deputies of the Province of *Zeeland*, to confer with the States concerning the said affair.

It is reported that Monsieur *Beverning* is designed by the States to succeed Monsieur *de Groot*, as their Ambassador in the French Court, and that to that end, directions are sent to meet him at *Lions*, on his return from *Spain*, which are, that he pass to *Paris*, to attend their farther orders there, how to proceed.

From *Utrecht* they tell us, that those States are very zealous for the causing the late *Placaets* concerning Brandy-wines to be duly executed, and have therefore nominated a Controller General, who is to have the care of the execution of those Orders throughout that Province.

From *Cologne* they write, that the Treaty there with their Elector advances very slowly; that however they are not without hopes, that notwithstanding all these difficulties, they may at length bring things to a good conclusion: That the Marquis *de Grana* is raising the Regiment formerly spoken of, having to that purpose sent several Officers to *Frankfort* and other places thereabouts; and, That they continue to work with all extraordinary diligence, on the Fortifications of the place.