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Truro, Aug. 15.

Six very considerable French men of War are lately passed to the Eastward, and we have advice here that they have taken a Dutch man of War of good force.

Hull, Aug. 17. From *Scarborough* we have advice of three Dutch Smacks taken off of the *Eems* by the Boat of the *Speedwel* Privateers, and sent into *Leith*. The Dutch Capers very much infest these Coasts, and have of late taken several small trailing Vessels.

Savona, July 30. Here is lately arrived Signior *Durazzo* with six Gallies and two other small men of war belonging to *Genova*, to watch the motions of the Duke of *Savoy*, who is now declared our Enemy; and farther, to secure the Inhabitants all along the River *Ponent*, from any surprize of the Enemy. In the mean time several hostilities daily pass on both sides, though as yet without any considerable advantage to either. From *Turin* they tell us of the great preparations that are making there for the bringing a considerable Army into the Field, so that there seems but small appearance of a composure of these matters.

Genova, Aug. 10. The seventh instant *Te Deum* was sung in all the Churches here, for the Victory our Forces lately obtained over those of the Duke of *Savoy* at *Castello Vecchio*, a small place up in the Mountains, and the next day were brought hither about 300 Prisoners, ~~some of quality~~ ^{and} ~~which were some per-~~ ^{sons of quality}. We say here, that in the several Rencounters we have had with the *Savoyards*, we have already killed them about 1200 Men, and taken as many more Prisoners, and that our Forces shall now go a track some place or other, consequence being to the Duke of *Savoy*, in the Mountains, and that *Oneglia* will Surrender in few days, in the mean time we do not hear what the *Savoyards* say who doubtless will not allow our advantages to have been so great, as we report here.

Ratisbonne, Aug. 4. On Munday last was finally concluded the Treaty for the publick security and general defence of the Empire, a work of many years, and which upon that account, occasions here the greater satisfaction now, the said Treaty having passed the Three Colledges, *viz.* That of the Electors, that of the Princes, and lastly, that of the Imperial Free Towns, is now to be presented to the Emperor for his final approbation thereof; so that it is thought the several Circles will begin to make those preparations which by this Treaty they are obliged to. Yesterday the Dyet likewise resolved that an Order should be forthwith published, strictly prohibiting any Leavies to be made in the Empire for any foreign Prince or State; and it is farther said, that all the subjects of the Empire, who are at present abroad in any foreign service, are to be called home, under pain of confiscation of their Estates, and other severe punishments. The Prince of *Baden Douplack* is appointed Velt Marechal General of the Army of the ten Circles, Duke *Maximilian* of *Bavaria* General of the Artillery, and Duke *Christian* of *Wurtemberg*, General of the Cavalry, who accordingly take their oaths of fidelity very suddenly before the Dyet.

Gronningen, Aug. 20. The Enemy have lately raised a new Battery, and planted 14 great Guns on it, from whence they have continued shooting for two days together, with great violence, having quite beaten down one of our Gates, which was immediately filled up with Earth, and in the mean time we are likewise about making another Battery, and that very high; by means of which, we hope to do such execution upon the Enemy, as to make them retire farther off, however they still continue their Mines, and seem to have intentions of Storming the place, but as yet we cannot perceive where they intend to fall on. Several of the ordinary Soldiers come daily running over hither, out of the Enemies Camp, complaining of their hard Service, and want of Provisions; but our Governor not thinking it safe to keep them here, being in all 400 Men, hath embarked them in several Vessels for *Holland*; We say here we have killed the Enemy abundance of Men, and amongst others the Count *de Benthem*, the Lieutenant Colonel *Nagel*, and several other principal Officers; so that we hope they will be at last forced to quit the Siege.

Amsterdam, Aug. 22. On Saturday last about 200 French Horse appeared not far from *Hinderdam*, upon which our Troops that are quartered there, immediately drew out, and charged them, the Enemy meeting them with the like resolution, so that they had some little skirmish, though without doing any thing considerable on either side. From *Swall* they write, that the Bishop of *Munster* continues still the Siege of *Gronningen* with much obstinacy, as if he were resolved not to remove his Army from thence till he had made himself master of the place; that a great number of Wooll-packs have been lately sent to the Army, and other necessaries. From *Htrecht* they tell us, that those Inhabitants not having upon the first order of the Duke of *Luxemburgh*, brought all their Arms to the Stadthouse; a second had been published, Commanding them immediately to do the same, on penalty of 100 Rixdollars to be inflicted on such as shall be wanting herein.

Utrecht. Several passengers arrived here from *Sneeck*, tell us, that on Thursday night last the Bishop of *Munster* stormed at three several times the Schans of *Heere-Veen*, first, between 10 and 11 of the clock, then between 11 and 12, and lastly between 1 and 2 in the morning, but had been still beaten off by the Defendants: our Troops lodged in the said Schans had before made a small Sally, in which they took a Captain of Horse, a Lieutenant, and four Troopers prisoners, which it is said, was the occasion of these attacks, *viz.* to recover the said prisoners, but could not effect it. We are told that our Fleet is at present off of *Pesten*.

Brussels, Aug. 19. Monsieur *Perris*, whom his Excellency sent hence Express some time since for *Madrid*, is lately returned hither, and after having been with his Excellency, was immediately dispatched for *Holland*. Letters from *Nauvaigne* of the 17 instant say, that the day before the French passed down on both sides the River very near that Fort, with a very considerable Army towards *Maeffricht*; and that

that they have fixed a very strong quarter at *Vifett*, at *Greenfield* and at *Peterfon*, and have now quite furrounded *Maestricht*, at a less diftance then half a League, which is thought may be in order for a formal Siege. By Letters from *Hildesheim* in Germany of the 22nd instant, we are told, that the Imperial Forces were certainly to Rendezvous the 25 at *Egra*; that General *Montecuculi* was appointed by the Emperor to Command them in chief; Prince *Charles of Lorraine*, to be General of the Cavalry, and the Count of *Keyserberg* General of the Infantry. That a French Envoy had lately passed through *Bruxelles* on his way to *Berlin*, whither he was likewise an Envoy from the Crown of Spain. Our Letters yesterday arrived from *Cologne*, tell us, that *Gronningen* continues still, besieged, and that the place is very much destroyed by fire, occasioned by the many Fireballs, of 300 weight apiece, that have been shot into the Town; so, the number of above 3000, which have done great execution; Thus the Bishop has possessed himself of a small place called *Dam*, between *Delfzyle* and *Gronningen*, to prevent any succours from coming that way to the besieged. His Excellency is expected here this night or to morrow morning from *Wanderlo*.

Brussels Aug. 23. His Excellency is returned hither, bringing much pleased with the considerable progress they have made in the great work near *Ostend*, which is said to be almost finished; *Maestricht* continues still very closely blocked up; the French lying quite round it within cannon shot, and yet it cannot be said, that it is actually besieged. The French have upon some suspicion disarmed all the Inhabitants at *Wesel*, and put a very strong Garrison into the place. It is said, that his Excellency is about giving out Commissions for the raising of more Forces. We hear that the Heer de *Groen* and the Sieur *Mabhanke* still at *Cologne*.

Dittow Aug. 26. From *Maestricht* they write, that the French have drawn a line of circumvallation, between one *Raven's house* and a small Village called *Schuren*, to defend themselves against the Sallies of that Garrison; That the French have had a supply of 12000 *Muskets* come to them from *Lorraine*; and that *Monsieur Turanne* was daily expected there, upon whose arrival it was thought they would begin a formal Siege. *Gronningen* holds out still. It is said that *Monsieur Turanne* hath sent 11000 Men to reinforce the Bishop of *Munster's* Army before *Gronningen*.

Paris Aug. 21. The Prince of *Conde* is we hear arrived at *Chantilly*, where it is said he will continue till he be perfectly well, and in a condition to come to Court; in the mean time the King and Queen have sent to inquire, by one of the Gentlemen of their Chamber, of his Health, and wish him a speedy recovery. The Marquis de *Feuquieres* is lately returned out of *Germany*, whither he was sent in quality of Envoy Extraordinary, to several of the Princes of the Empire.

Hague Aug. 26. Since the arrival of his Highness the Prince of *Orange*; we have been here very quiet, without the least farther noise or disturbance. The States of *Holland*, having finally by plurality of Voices, Elected the Heer *Fagel* to be their Pensionary, he hath accordingly taken possession of that employment. The 25 instant, the whole *Ridderfchap* were assembled together with the States of *Holland*, in order to their conferring on his Highness the Prince of *Orange* the place of first Noble of this Province; *Gronningen* holds out still, though the Enemy continues to press them very hard. From *Maestricht* they tell us, of a

Sally they had lately made upon the Enemy out of that place, and that they had done great execution upon them, having, as they say, killed three or four hundred of the French.

Midalburgh, August 26. The Prince of *Orange* is expected here. The People of this Province have brought in all their Plate to be melted down for the use of the publick; the people are still here very disorderly and ready to tumult upon the least occasion.

Amstwy, Aug. 26. From *Maestricht* they write, that the place is not as yet Besieged, but that the French are preparing two Batteries on the side of *Tongres* and *Wyche*; That they are making two Bridges over the *Maer*; one at *Vifet*, and the other somewhat lower, and that they have lately received a supply of 16000 Men.

Amsterdam Aug. 25. The people begin to be very much dissatisfied again, and will needs imitacion of *Rotterdam* and *Delf*, have a reformation in the Magistracy. Our Fleet is failed to their old station off of *Zealand*. This day the following Articles were put up on the Exchange.

1. That the Colonets, Captains, and other Officers of the Burgers, being either Counsellors, Schepens, or *Wraoberschappen*, shall be immediately suffered, and that those Commanded shall be conferred on so many persons to be elected out of the Burgers.

2. That for the future none of the Burge-masters may be Governours of the East India Company, whose that are present to be cashiered.

3. The Burgers to have an account of Moneys, what hath been received and how laid out.

4. The Burgers desire all their former priviledges concerning Fishing in the several waters about the Town, &c.

5. They that refuse to consent hereunto, to be Treated like the de *Witts* were at the Hague.

6. He that dares take this paper down from the place where it is affixed, to be punished with present death.

The return of this East India Fleet shall be employed for publick Service, the several parties enjoying Interest for the same, in the same manner as if they had lent so much Money to the State.

Advertisements.

These are to give Notice, That His Majesties Farthings lately made Current by Proclamation, will hereafter for some time, be daily uttered at an Office appointed for that purpose in *Fanchurch street* near *Mincing Lane*, from nine of the Clock in the Forenoon until twelve, and from two in the Afternoon until five; And all people are likewise to take notice, That His Majesty hath given strict Orders, to the Officers that deliver out the said Farthings, not to receive any Clipt or Counterfeit Moneys in exchange for them, but to return the Clipt Moneys, and to cause all Counterfeits to be struck through, or cut in pieces in the presence of the Parties that shall bring and offer the same.

We are Commanded to give Notice to all Persons concerned in the business of the Navy, or any other relating to the Command of his Highness Prince *Rupert*, That it is his Highness Pleasur; That in respect, by the absence sometimes of his Officers, Secretary or the like, his Letters concerning His Majesties Service having been addressed to them, have not come so opportunely to his Highness hands, as the Kings Service might possibly require; That hereafter all Letters relating to his Highness, in regard of his several employments under His Majesty, be always addressed to himself and no other.

We are further Commanded to give notice, That His Majesty has been Graciously pleased for the greater encouragement of the Commanders and Seamen of His own Ships of war in a speedy and effectual suppressing the insolencies of the Dutch Privateers, to declare, That all such of His Majesties Ships of war, or other Ships in His Majesties Pay, as shall happen to take any Privateer of the Enemies, shall have such Privateer, Ship, Tackle, Guns, Furniture, and what other is on board taken, as a reward of their service, and a mark of His Majesties Gracious Favour, freely to be divided among the Officers and Seamen of the Ships that shall so take her.