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Leghorn, Aug. 15.

THe Corsairs of Tunis have been of late very busy upon these Coasts, and we hear already of some Ships taken by them; We have just now advice, of their having landed near *Gorgano*, where they burnt and destroyed several Houles, together with the Magazines there, and did other considerable mischief the people having fled up into the Countrey, and by that means escaped being made Slaves.

Warsaw, Aug. 16. From the *Ukrain* our Letters bring us this unwelcome news, that the Rebel Cossacks having with the assistance of the Tartars, gotten together what strength they could, had fallen upon our Troops in those parts, and after a hot dispute on both sides, worsted them; the farther particulars of this action we as yet want, but in the mean time it is feared, this success may very much encourage the Rebel-Cossacks, and so occasion new troubles in that Countrey. Neither are we at the same time less concerned at the news we have of the advance of part of the Turkish Forces, and of their having besieged *Caminec* in *Podolia*, which being not so well provided with Men and other necessaries, as the preservation of the place may require, it is feared will quickly fall into their hands: however, all preparations are making against the 25. instant, for the general Rendezvous of the Nobility at *Sakal* in *Polhinia*, the Nobility of several of the Palatinates are already on their march, so that the King will part hence in a day or two on his journey thither. We are told of Ambassadors that are on their way hither from *Muscovy*, and that their errand is to propose a League between the Czar and this Crown for their mutual defence against the Ottoman Power, which if so, will certainly be readily accepted here; since the assistance of our neighbors cannot but be very seasonable to us in this conjuncture.

Ratisbonne, Aug. 18. The Treaty for the publick security of the Empire, having at length after the many difficulties that arose thereupon, been concluded by the several Colledges, and accordingly approved by the Emperor, the Dyet have since proceeded to the settling of several other matters relating to the said Treaty; however, the point concerning Martial Law is still in debate, the several Deputies having desired time to send to consult their respective Principals therein, before it be finally concluded. From *Lipsick* they write, that the Circle of *Upper Saxony* which had been Assembled there, had resolved to furnish forth with the Troops, the said Treaty obliges them to, provided the rest of the Circles would with the same readines do their part; so that we may in a short time, in case there should be occasion, see this Army on foot: the Prince of *Biden Dourlach*, Velt Marshal General of the Empire, and who under that Title is to Command these Forces in chief, together with the other general Officers, are suddenly expected here, in order to their taking the Oaths of Fidelity before the Dyet. The Bishop of *Aichstadt* the Emperors Com-missioner, having been for some time to divert himself in the Countrey, is

in few days likewise expected here in Town, when it is thought, the other matters now in debate before the Dyet, may be also determined. The Elector of *Bavaria* we hear, raises Men apace, as well in order to the reinforcement of his own Garrisons; as the sending, as is said, some succors to the Duke of *Savoy*. The Imperial Troops are now in few days expected at *Frankfort*, from whence they are to pass down the *Rhyn*, in several open Boats provided there to that purpose.

Genova, Aug. 24. The 20 instant arrived here a Courier in six days from *Paris*, dispatched thence by the Envoy of this State residing there, bringing advice, that his most Christian Majesty was sending the Sieur *Gaxmont* into these parts, to mediate a Peace between us and the Duke of *Savoy*. In the mean time the Forces of this State are gone as is said, to attack *Paris* by *Nizara* and *Turin*, to hinder by these means the Communication of those places, having already made himself Masters of the whole *Territory*.

Liege, Aug. 30. This day the French Army which hath for some time been encamped near *Maesbricht*, broke up from thence, and took their march towards the *Rhyn*, under the Command of the Marquis *de Kochfort*, to observe, as we are told, the motions of the German Forces, who are now on their march; yesterday arrived in the French Camp from *Sedan* several Waggons laden with Money, under the Convoy of 1600 Horse, for the payment of those Troops; in the mean time we hear, that Monsieur *Turane* lies incamped with 15000 Horse and 20000 Foot, not far from *Wesel*. Some days since passed through this place the young Electoral Prince Palatine, on his way to *Heydelberg*, having been most of this Summer in the French Camp. From *Possdam* they write, that the 24 instant his Electoral Highness of *Brandenburg*, intended to part thence with his whole Court to *Halberstadt*, where the Conjunction is to be of the Imperial Troops, with those of his Electoral Highness; That the Sieur *Pelnitz*, and the Heer *d' Amerongen* were arrived there from *Holland*. From *Dresden* they tell us, that the 12 Imperial Regiments were passed by that place, on their march towards the *Rhyn*.

Cologne, Aug. 30. Our Magistrates have received Letters from his Imperial Majesty, giving them notice, That his Forces were ready to begin their march towards these parts, for the better security of the peace of the Empire; and since we have advice, that these Troops are arrived under the Command of General *Montecuculi*, and Prince *Charles* of *Lorraine*, as General of the Horse, at *Laemburgh*, not far from *Nurenburgh*; and that preparations are making at *Frankfort*, for the bringing the said Troops from thence down the *Rhyn*; in the interim the French come likewise marching towards these parts, and post themselves in very considerable Bodies near *Orsoy*, *Rhynberg*, and *Wesel*; it is reported here, that the Elector of *Brandenburg* will act apart with his Army, to consist of 30000 Men, against the Bishop of *Munster*.

Maesbricht,

Maestricht, Aug. 30. The 27 instant very early in the mornings, we began to fire upon the French Troops, that lay encamped within reach of our Guns, on the side of *Wycke*; about noon several French Horse came so near to the place, that they forced our Sentinels to leave their station in the Out-work, upon which, our Governor immediately sent out a party of Horse to second them, between whom and the French there happened a small skirmish, in which several Men were killed on both sides, and a night orders a French Marquis, who commanded the party, his Body being afterwards carried off by his Soldiers. The next day at night was tried here a new invention of shooting Granado's a very great distance, which was well approved, several having been shot into the Enemies Leger, not without doing, as is thought here, some execution. On Sunday in the afternoon the Marquis *de Rochefort* sent to desire a Conference with our Governor in the Field, which he readily consenting to, they accordingly met, being each accompanied with some few persons of quality not far from *Wycke*, the particulars of what then passed between them, are not certainly said; the next day was another meeting between our Governor and a person of Quality on the part of the French in the same place; This morning the French broke up their Camp, and are marched as we are told, part towards *Lorraine*, and part towards the *Rhine*.

Gronningen, Aug. 31. The 27 instant in the morning we received first the news of the Bishop of *Munster* being retired with his Forces, which is easily to be believed, occasioned an extraordinary joy amongst these Inhabitants, considering the danger we were delivered from, after a Siege of above six weeks, during which time, above a hundred Houses have been burnt; by the means of the Fireballs shot into the Town by the Enemy, or otherwise ruined and destroyed. Yesterday great numbers of the Burgers went out to see the Enemies Works, which yet continue in the same posture they left them. The same day arrived here a Trumpeter, his errand not being certainly said, farther than that it was to desire the release of two considerable Officers that are Prisoners here. The Bishop lies at present with his Army at *Holphen*, where they seem to be about raising a Battery. We shall have much concerning the coming down of the Brandenburg Troops; This day the seven Companies of Foot that came to our assistance from *Irishland*, went hence on their return to their respective Regiments.

Amsterdam, Aug. 31. His Highness the Prince of Orange continues still here; yesterday the several Foreign Ministers that sitting here, had Audience of his Highness, with whom they were in conference most of the morning. A Memorial of a letter his Highness hath lately received from the Elector of *Brandenburg*, dated the 20 instant, in which his Excellency hath given him an account, that his Forces move easily to march towards *Narbonne*, which he hath accordingly expected the arrival of the Imperial Troops. He hath heretofore published a very favourable account of the success of his correspondence with the Army; and especially with the Conquered places. The Burgers of *Amsterdam* have sent him their Deprecation in favour of *Orange* to desire a new badge, or Magistrate in their respective Towns, which he is upon to consider, as is hoped in the minds of the people that are not yet quite so quiet; he is said that his Highness will make a general Reformation in the whole of *Germany*, that is, that the *Remnants*, and *Relicks* of that *Religion*, who have been

in Authority so long, shall be turned out, and those of the true Reformed Religion, restored to all places and Dignities as in former time. On Sunday last arrived here a Bode from *Gronningen*, bringing us the particulars of the raising of that Siege on the 27 instant, as has been already said. From *Utrecht* they tell us, that the French are very busie about fortifying the place, and that four Regiments were ordered to march from thence to the Camp at *Maestricht*. The Heer *van Beverning* continues still at the Princes Court, in order to the dispatching of the affairs committed to him by his Highness. The Heer *Odyck* is returned from *Zealand*.

Disio, Sept. 2. Yesterday the Pensionary *Fagel*, together with several Members of the *Ridderschap*, went to the House of the late Pensionary *de Wis*, in order as is thought, to the taking an account of all Papers and Letters which did remain in his custody. The same day Colonel *Zoutland*, prisoner here, escaped out of prison, but was soon after taken again, and it is thought will now be sent to the Army in order to his prosecution. His Highness the Prince of *Orange* is still here, but resolves to go to the Army the beginning of the next week, if not prevented by the importunity of the Deputies that are arrived here from the several Towns of this Province, concerning the nomination of new Magistrate. Here are making 120 new Cloth Coats, to be covered with Silver and Gold Lace, having his Highness Cypher under a Ducal Coronet, embroidered on them, for his Highness Troop of Lif Guards, which is to be commanded by the Heer *van Dumerkerke*. This day are arrived Letters from the States Deputies at *Maestricht*, by which they acquaint his Highness that the French Army is broke up from thence, and are marched towards the *Rhine*; and that the Bores come now with their Pavilions to Market again. At *Dort* hath lately been great disturbances, as likewise at *Delft*. The Auxiliary Troops are now certainly on their march, though considering how slowly they have hitherto moved, and in a time when we stood in the greatest need of them, many people seem to expect no great matters from them now.

Paris, Sept. 7. Their Majesties are at present with the Court at *Versailles*. It is said that his Majesty will send 8000 Men to the assistance of the Duke of *Savoy*. We have advice here that Monsieur *Turenne* is passed the *Rhine* with 30000 Men into the *Pays de Cleves*, to observe the motion of the German Forces.

Plymouth, Aug. 29. This day came into Port here the *Phoenix* from the *East-Indies*, Capt *Wright* Commander, who says, that on the 25 instant, he was met 25 Leagues West off of *Scilly*, by a Dutch Ship of 24 Guns, who lay by him all night, and the next morning, without any Ceremony, poured in a Broadside upon him; which he returned in the same manner; that the fight continued two hours, and the Captains finding the two to be too warm, left him. He had only his Boatswain killed, and one more wounded.

Deal, Aug. 31. This morning arrived in the Downs the Merchant-Adventure of *London* from *Guiny*.

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