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Dublin, July 28.

**H**IS Grace the Duke of Ormond intends suddenly for *Kilkenny*, to which place some Companies are marched before, though the day of his going be not yet prefixed. The Militias in all places in a good posture, and the Countreies every where quiet, we having not heard any further news of any mischief done by the Tories since the unhappy business at *Longford*.

*Falmouth*, July 29. The 27th instant arrived here two *Plymouth* Vessels from *Wales*, reporting those Coasts to be free from Pickaroons, they met only the *Constant Warwick* cruising to the West. This day came in the *Truelove Ketch* laden with Ammunition from *Bristol*, under Convoy of the *Patrick*, who is gone forward for *Plymouth*.

*Pendennis*, July 30. Yesterday a Privateer of *Foy* brought into *Mounis-Bay*, a little French Pickeroon of two Guns, another of like bulk narrowly escaping.

*Plymouth*, July 31. This day arrived here the *Patrick*, with another Vessel under his Convoy laden with Timber for his Majesty's service, and intends with the first fair wind for the *Downs*, with the *Virginia* and *Barbadoes* Fleet.

*Norwich*, August 1. The Bill of Mortality for this last week is thus, written of all Diseases, 145. Whereof of the Plague 125. besides at the Pesthouse 5.

*Harwich*, August 1. Yesterday arrived the *Lilly* with two Dogger Prizes from the Fleet, who the night before were taken five or six Leagues North East off the *Maes*.

*Danzick*, July 24. We have now the confirmation of the unfortunate encounter on the Kings side, at *Pacos* and *Montirva*, about six miles from *Thorne*, being a passage over a Bog, which the Confederates and *Lubomirski* had taken for their safety and advantage. It seems whilest both sides were at work about an agreement, which was then framing by Commissioners from both parties, the Royal Party endeavored to put a more speedy end to those affairs by surprising the Confederates unawares; but their design (though managed with the greatest secrecy they could imagine) was so timely discovered to *Lubomirski*, that laying his best Troops in Ambuscado behind an Hill, he suffered a great part of Soldiers and Dragoons, about 5000. to go over. After which, cutting off the Pass, and throwing down the Bridge, he fell upon them on all sides, and cut them in pieces in view of the King, who had no means left to succor them.

In this defeat (as 'tis reported) were killed, of Officers and all above 4000 men. *Lubomirski* has excused himself since to the King by some prisoners and Officers sent back, protesting, the occasion of the slaughter was not of his seeking. Since this defeat, the King and *Lubomirski* are both marched towards *Warsaw*; the Confederates have cast off their Covenant, and *Lubomirski* his private Concerns, keeping to the Gentry onely, who assemble from all parts, under mutual ties, as one body not to depart the field, till all differences be ended, and the Crown settled in peace. All this under the conduct of the *Chastelain* of *Crakow*, now Primate of that Kingdom.

*Hamburg*, July 30. Several Passengers arriving from *Bremen*, relate, that the Swedes have blockt up that City, and guarded all the Avenues very strongly; and sent a great number of fat Oxen grazing without the City. On the other side, we are informed, that the Deputies (sent lately to *Bremen* for more power to treat upon the Swedish affairs) had wrote to their Commissioners at *Staden*, that it would be in vain for them to repair again thither, in case the Swedes did persist in their demands; who have declared, that they have special command from their King, to make the City of *Bremen*

desist from their pretended Immediateness; but yet had agreed, That the Conference, begun at *Staden*, might be continued at some place nearer to *Bremen*, and the Treaty proceed; that the *Lunenburg* and *Brunswick* Emvoys were gone with this Declaration to *Bremen*, to know what farther resolves the City might make thereon.

*Paris*, Aug. 6. We have no fresh news of the Duke de *Beaufort*, though several Expresses have been of late sent to him. Some think, for calling him into these Seas; others, to warn him of a design, which they fancy the English had, to finde him out with a Squadron of theirs. We are told, he is expected the tenth instant at *Rockelle*; but whether onely to revictual, or to take possession of the Government of the Town, and of the *Pays d'Aulnais*, *Brouage*, and Islands of *Kaintonges*, is uncertain.

All the Places of the late Count de *Harcourt*, who died here the last week, will be confirmed on the Count de *Armagnac* his son.

The *Cieur Blondel* the Engineer employed some time to build the Store-houses at *Rocheport*, near *Rockelle*, is sent with 800 men to *St. Christophers*, to strengthen our interest there by some new Forts. Our *India* Company is much dejected at the loss of their rich ship sunk by the English, in her return from the Red-sea; and are in some apprehensions for some others, they expect from the same place.

No certain news as yet of the Arrival of the Queen of *Portugal* at *Lisbon*, who, it seems, has with very cross winds.

The Provost of the Merchants of *Lyons* is taken and beheaded, about the matter of *Lanchenu*, the Grand Provost there displaced, and made for ever incapable of holding office, and the Charter of the City called in.

*Vienna*, July 26. The Count *Balaff Imbre* taken by the *Palatine* of *Hungary*, is by order of His Imperial Majesty brought to *Presburg*; but his Lady making her self a *Roman Catholic*, hath obtained pardon, and a subsistence for her self and children out of the Confiscated Goods of her Husband.

*Thuring*, July 19. There is a great meeting held at *Leipzig*, of the house of *Saxe*, where *Steno Bielke*, the Swedish Ambassador, and the Elector of *Mentz* Lieutenant, Monsieur le *Baron de Reissenberg* allomet, 'tis said about affairs of grand importance.

*Middlebourg*, August 11. The Scene is much altered in these parts, since our Fleet, that some few daies since dreamed of nothing but Victory and Triumphs, came in such hast and disorder, and so closely attended by the English Fleet. It grieves us much to see all our Bragg and Rodomontads turned so suddenly into Complaints, Murmurings: Quarrels, and mutual Charges and Recriminations, *De Ruyter* plainly lays the fault of our ill successe upon *Van Trump*, who said him when he wanted his assistance as second; and 'tis said has put in his complaints to the States: some blame those of *Zealand* and *Friesland*, as not doing their parts, who defend themselves as strongly, throwing the fault upon others; but all of them fall foul upon several of our Captains, to whom the Land is like to prove more fatal then the Sea; till whose sentence be past, *De Ruyter* will not come on shoare, and accordingly their process is framing: In the mean time the people are to be hoodwinked, and not suffered to take a view of our losses, great care being taken for disposing of the dead, and wounded men, with all imaginable privacy: On Tuesday night last, Waggons were employed all night, to convey them out of sight from our ships: besides great numbers that were sent in the seventh instant in 15 Fluits and Snacks laden with wounded Men. And indeed our loss this way is very

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considerable, the most moderate Account amounting to  
4000 Kill'd, 2000 Wounded.

Of which number;  
In *De Ruyters* ship 250. In *Tromps* Viceadmiral 140.  
*Van Gents* 154. *Meppel* of *N. Holland* 100.  
Officers kill'd,

- *Jan Everfson*, Admiral of *Zealand*.
- *Tirick Hiddes*, Admiral of *Friesland*.
- *Fonker Coenders*, Vice-Admiral of *Friesland*.
- Rear-Admiral *Van Saen*, as we are told.
- *Ruel Maximilian*, of the *Wassenaar*.
- *Jurrien Poel*, of the *Urede*.
- *'t Hoen*, of the *Fofhua*.
- *Hendrick Vroom*, of the *Wackenboey*.
- *Hugo Van Niew Hoff*, of the *Stadt en Landt*.
- *Cornelis Van Hoogen hooe*, of the *Zuyder huys*.

With several other Captains and Officers, whose Names we yet know not.

And indeed, we are so very ingenious in concealing our losses, that 'tis very hard to persuade us we are beaten, but that the English before our doors, over-perswade us to it: And though we have but 88 sail returned of all our Fleet, whereof 17 are Fire-ships, yet some there are that would persuade us we have lost only two ships; others seem to acknowledge four; but scarce any will confess more than five; but give it out the English loss was much greater, though as yet we cannot hear of any besides the *Resolution* wanting.

Our ships that are returned, sufficiently Proclaim to us the sharpness of the service they fled from, many of them so shattered, that they cannot easily be refitted for this Summers service, *De Ruyters* ship is said to have received no less than 17 shot under water, and 37 in her Hull above; and his second *Van Gents*, and Lieutenant Admiral *Van Meppel*, in very bad plight, and are with several other Capital ships floating upon our waters, hardly worth repairing; but to supply their places, the Admiralties are every where hastning out fresh ships, and repairing the torne ones. In *Zealand* lies one ready of 54 Guns, at *Campveer* one of 60 Guns, and another from *Zurichsea* of 66. and to set a good face upon a bad bargain, we give out that we shall be again at Sea in eight daies, which requires a strong Faith to believe. The people generally talk high against the French for disappointing us so long, in the vain expectation of their Fleet, and an Express is dispatcht to *France*, to hasten *De Beaufort* to our assistance.

The 8th instant *Pensionaire de Witte* hastning with some other Deputies from the *Hague*, in his pleasure boat to *Flushing*; to order the speedy refitting of the Fleet, mist narrowly an opportunity of visiting *England*, being within less than Miquet shot of an English Ketch, by whom he was forc'd to run on land at a place called the *Alb*, a little below *Campveer*.

*Hamburg*, August 6. Yesterday arrived at *Gluckstet*, the King of *Denmark*, who is drawing 3000 Horse, and 2000 Foot towards the *Elbe*, to give a jealousy as is supposed to the *Swede*, in case they should proceed to force *Bremen*.

*Madrid*, July 21. From *Denis* our last Letters, tell us, That several considerable persons of the *Empresses* Train, having died there, and those parts continuing very sickly, the *Empress* had resolved to set sail, and accordingly was embarked thence the sixteenth, intending to touch at *Barcelona*, where she intends to refresh herself three or four days, and to proceed in her voyage to *Finale*, under the Convoy of 23 or 24 Gallies; to which will be added the *Maltha* Squadron, now on their way to meet her.

From *Tangier*, Letters say *Gaylands* affaires were yet in the same condition, he himself continuing still in *Arzilla*. That some of the King of *Taffalettaes* Army had appeared in the parts near *Tangier*, and that the Garrison had defeated a considerable Ambuicado of them, without any loss on their part.

The 5 instant, *Beaufort* with his Fleet left the River of *Lixbon*, bearing up towards the *Cape*, and the 10 appeared upon the Coast of *Gallicia*, before *Vigo*, where one of his Ships was already come in; and it was expected the whole Fleet might follow.

*Hague*, Aug. 10. Some account of the Success of our late Engagement we may collect out of *De Ruyter's* own Letter to the States from the *Wielings*, of the Sixth instant, Importing,

That the fight was begun by *Everfson*, who commanded the *Van* against the English *White Flag*, himself undertook the Red; but to his wonder, *Tromp* and his whole Squadron, with full Sails, lay as much 200 far behinde, as the *Vanguard* was 100 forward; so that he saw him not in any action till the Evening, with a few of the *Blew* Squadron, that by this means he was left alone to oppose the greatest force of the English; and though he made many shot to call them in to his assistance, yet they understood it not; by which means the English came violently upon him, and the few ships with him, in vain expecting *Meppel* or *Tromp* to second him; that his ship being much disordered, and many men kill'd and wounded, he was forced with the small sail he could make to follow the gross of the Fleet, and sic for it. That *Tromp* was windward of him, and might have helped, if he would, nor can he imagine the reason why he did not. In this retiring posture he continued till night. The next morning he was hotly pursued and fired on by the Fore-guns of the English; and a Fire-ship sent to him, which was beaten off by some Volunteers in Shallops, and burnt in vain: That *Everfson*, *Tirick Hiddes*, *Coenders*, *Rur Maximilian*, *Jurrien Poel*, *Uroom*, *Van Niew Hoff*, and *Hoenhoe*, were killed. *Tirick Hiddes* ship got from him in the night, *Bankers* sunk: He promises them an account of all their damages, but can give none of the English loss, but only that he saw some of them much damaged.

*Tarmonth*, August 1. This day came in two Ketches from the Fleet, the one from the *Lyon* with 14 wounded Men, the other from the *Generals* for *Proviens*; they tell us that some Scouts sent from the Fleet to the Northward, in their return brought word, that they saw 400 Busses fishing with eight men of Warr guarding them, upon which news the Fleet went to the Northwards, and if their report be true, we may suddenly expect some account of them.

*Southwold*, August 3. This day His Majesties ship the *Princes* came into this Bay, who came from the Fleet the second instant about four in the afternoon, which he left *N. West* of *Gravesend*, plying to Windward, the Wind at *N. E.* and by *N.*

*Harwich*, Aug. 4. This afternoon arrived here the *Pearl* with an Express from His Majesties Fleet, dated off of *Sheveling*, in their way towards the *Texel*: She brings up with her a Prize, pretended to be of *Hamburg*: Among other particulars, she relates of the late Misfortunes they are now bewailing in *Holland*; one is, that *Bankert* is not yet heard of, whether killed, or remaining obscured among the Prisoners, is not known: Those taken in his ship, are most brought up hither; and among them one of his Quarter-masters, who gives out, that as *Bankert* was going over the side of the ship to escape, he the Quarter-master having a Hand-spike in his hand; after he had long argued against his quitting the ship, but all in vain, gave him with his Hand-spike over the shoulder to home, that *Bankert* tumbled down, whether into the Boat or the Sea, he could not discover.

A Swedish ship passing by here from *Gottenberg* in ten days, tells us, That the Swedish Fleet of 44 good Men of War, lay ready to put to Sea at *Stockholm*, having embarked 8000 Land-men for some private expedition.

*Whitehall*, August 3. His Majesty hath been pleased in Council, to Order a Solemn day of Thanksgiving shall be kept in the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, &c. on the 14 instant, and throughout *England*, &c. on the 23 of August, for the late happy Victory it hath pleased God to give His Majesties Fleet against the Dutch.

He is likewise Graciously pleased out of His Princely care, of the good of His Subjects, to Order in His Council, that *Bartholomew* Fair, and *Sturbridge* Fair be put off for this year, to prevent the spreading of the *Infection*, which might otherwise be occasioned by them.