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Castle Cornet in Guernsey, August 27.

VVE have here a report of the arrival of the French Fleet at Rochelle, but as yet know nothing of their design: if it should lead them this way, our people having ended their harvest, will want neither leisure nor courage to entertain them; the affairs of these Islands by the care and vigilancy of the Governor, being put into a very good posture.

Plymouth, August 28. On Sunday last a small Privateer of nine Guns belonging to *Fersey*, was upon the Coasts of France engaged by a Dutch Caper of twenty Guns, who killed seven of her men, and hurt some others, but being a good sailer, she escaped, and by the benefit of the night, lost her pursuer; but off of *Dartmouth*, she was again discovered by another Caper of thirty Guns, who chased her into this Port, the Caper going off Westwards.

Lyme, August 29. Yesterday arrived two Vessels from *Fersey* and *Guernsey*, under the Convoy of the *Paradox* Frigate, and *Nonfuch* Ketch, who spake the good condition of these Islands, and that several prizes have of late been brought in there.

Norwich, Aug. 29. The Account of the Bill of Mortality for this last week runs thus, Buried of all Diseases 190. of the Plague 180. whereof at the Pesthouse 12.

Madrid, Aug. 12. Letters from *Bilboa* tell us, the Lady *Fanshaw*, with her family, are safely arrived there; and that she intends with her children, and some of her servants to pass with her Lords Corps through France into England.

Letters of the first instant from *Cadix* tell us, That the Duke de *Veraguas* in the *Capitana*, with five Men of War more, are expected in that Bay on the eighth, to join with the rest of the *Armada*, which attend his coming off of *Ayamonte*, who is to take possession of the *Generalate* of the Spanish *Armada*.

'Tis confidently reported, that the Queen of Portugal is safely arrived at *Lisbon*, having been long tost at Sea by tempests, and kept off by contrary winds.

Tangier, July 20. *Taffleta* continues still victorious, *Salley*, *Tishuan*, and several other places being revolted to him. However *Gayland* despair's not of seeing better days, though at present confined to *Asvilla*, and scarcely secure there. 'Tis very probable *Taffleta's* provisions growing short, he will be obliged suddenly to withdraw from these parts, to look after his more considerable conquests in *South-Barbary*, which is not yet so settled as to persuade him to run the hazard of that better, for this more inconsiderable part of the Country. The Governors of *Couta* and *Larrache* foreseeing the inconvenience of the others power, afford *Gayland* all the assistance and success they are able.

Two hundred Yards of our Mole are now as good as finished; and we doubt not, but that all the difficulties of that great and useful Work will be conquered before the end of this Summer.

Genova, August 18. The Empress departed *Barcellona* the 10 instant, and was the 13 at *Palamos*, and is by this certainly arrived at *Finale*: This States Convoy with two good Merchant ships were dispatched hence the last night, well manned for *Finale*, to give the Empress a *Salva Reale*, and to show themselves there to the *Multese* Gallies, two other Merchants well manned are to follow them for the same service, and are afterwards to return again hither; and then to part immediately for *Spain*, and will suddenly be followed by three or four Italian ships for *Lisbon*.

This States Ambassadors goe for *Millan*, and not for *Fi-*

nale, to complement the Empress, but they have some hope she will visit the *Madonna: Savona*, where they have made preparations for her entertainment upon their charge.

Paris, Aug. 27. It was strongly reported, that instead of repealing the Interdiction of the Importation of all Manufactures out of the *Low-Countries*, a general Proclamation is framing for the prohibiting the bringing in of any kindes of Commodities into France out of the Spanish Provinces; and that the Carts and Waggones which already were before the Gates of *Perrone*, and other Towns of *Picardy*, were turned back and forced to march to *Cambray*; and the reason east upon the heat of the Contagion in the Spanish Netherlands: But 'tis generally believed also, that if this Interdiction be not speedily called in, the Governor of the Spanish Netherlands will likewise forbid the entry of any French Wares upon the Flemish Territories, and hinder their passage into the Netherlands.

Mr. *De Bellefonds* having lately endeavored to open the way for the Conjunction of both Fleets, his Majesty has accordingly been prest to send speedy and convenient Orders to the Duke de *Beaufort*, about saluting and resaluting with the Flags, in case of a Conjunction: But this business continues yet in suspense, the great question being not yet decided, Whether his Majesties Flag born by his Admiral in chief, is to salute any other ways then onely with Cannon; which the French Officers plead to have been their late practise in the Mediterranean; but the Holland Minister approves it not as a fit instance, what passed between an Admiral in chief, and the Commander of a Squadron.

Monsieur *de Guay*, one of the Intendants of Justice in *Lionnois*, is by an order from the Court gone to the Post-Office of *Lyons*, where he has arrested the Commissary *Bontemps*; who, it seems, had the confidence to open several Pacquets of consequence, tending about Manuscripts and Gazettes *à-la-main* into other Countries.

It is said the Swedes Ambassador has received his last Audience.

The 26 instant his Royal Highness and Madam returned to *Vincennes*, where his Majesty had a review of the Companies of his own Guards, *Gens d'Armes*, and Light-Horse, with the *Dauphins*, and the Regiments of Guards, both French and Swede; to the great satisfaction of all the Court.

From *Tripoly* we have lately advice of the return of five of their ships with prizes, to which place his Majesty has ordered his Agent at *Tunis* to repair, to sound their inclination to a Peace with this Crown.

On the 24 instant, the Fleet under the Command of the Duke de *Beaufort* arrived at *Rochelle*, where all possible care is taking for re-victualling and fitting out again to Sea; which they hope to do in a weeks space, or little more, if the weather prove seasonable.

Pienna, August 21. The Archbishop of *Saltsbourg* having got leave of the Emperor to entertain the Empress in her passage, has given order to all the Nobility of his Country, to put themselves in the best equipage imaginable for her Reception; and has given command for the speedy making of several Chains of Gold, Medalls, and curiosities of several kinds, to present the Gentlemen and Officers of the Empresses Train.

Monsieur *Greciffenklow*, Envoyé from his Highness the Elector of *Mentz*, has so effectually performed his negotiation in this Court, that he has prevailed with his Imperial Majesty to accept the Umpireship in the difference concerning the *Wistling*, on condition that all parties concerned in that Compromis, will beforehand declare their submission, and