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Lisbon, June 27.

THE 21 instant sailed from hence 3 of our Men of War, having orders to go and Cruise in the *Mediterranean*; on board of them were the Admiral and Vice Admiral of this Crown, though in quality only of Voluntiers; it is believed they will go aboard at *Nizza*, and from thence pass to *Turin* to make their compliments to the Duke of *Savoy*, who is to Marry our Infanta.

Genova, July 19. The 16th instant came in here the *Mercury*, *John Carter* Master from *Marseilles*, and last night the *Laurel*, *John Pain* from *Trapani*; from whence he came 10 or 11 days since in company of the *Zant* and the *St. Lucar*, Merchants bound for *Kenice*. *Sir William Poole* in the *Happy Return* is upon his departure for *Leghorn*, and with him the *Tyger*, the *Exchange*, the *Martin*, the *Mercury*, and *Charles and Richard*. The French Gallies are still at *Leghorn*; those designed from hence for *Corsica* have not yet fixed the time of their departure.

Ratisbonne, July 20. Most of the States are extremely solicitous to free the Empire of the Imperial Troops, who are very burthensome to them, and among the rest the Circle of *Suabia*, as being at a greater Charge than any other, is very active in this matter; while on the other hand it is represented to them by the Imperial Ministers, how unbecoming it is the Dignity of the Emperor, and how dangerous to several places, who still lie under great apprehensions of the French Armes, for the Emperor to draw his Troops out of the Empire, while those of *France* remain in it; and at the same time offer wholly to rid the Empire of the said Imperial Troops, and to provide Quarters for them in the Emperor's Hereditary Countries, in case the several Circles will themselves raise and maintain such a Force as may be able to secure them against the Invasions and disturbances of any Foreign Power. But after all, the States resolved yesterday again to pray the Emperor to retire his Forces

Hamburg, July 28. Our fears being increased by the drawing together of so many Troops in our Neighborhood, our Magistrates have made a Treaty with the Duke of *Zell*, by which he promises to assist us with 3000 men, in case of need. The French Troops that were sent to raise the Contributions of *Oldenburg* and *Delmenhorst*, continue still there, and for that reason the King of *Denmark* remains in these parts, to observe them, and to hinder their passing the *Elbe*, in case they should attempt it. There are Letters from *Berlin* which say, that the Elector had lately had several long Conferences with his general Officers, and that the preparations of War, which were making in several places before the Peace, are still continued; which the Politicians make Reflection upon. The French demanded of the Duke of *Hanover* that the Troops

which were raised and maintained with their money, might be put into their service, or else that those moneys might be repaid; but the said Duke, before he parted for *Italy*, delivered those Troops, which are 10 or 12000 men, up to the Duke of *Zell*, to whom they have taken an Oath of Fidelity.

Brussels, August 1. On Sunday last Count *Egmont*, late Ambassador from the Crown of *Spain* in *England*, arrived here, and was that Evening to pay his respects to his Excellency. He is now preparing to go and take possession of the Government of *Sardinia*, of which he is made Viceroy. Monsieur *Colbert* the French Ambassadors Train and Equipage is come hither from *Nimeguen*, with Orders to stay for him here. On Friday next his Excellency sets out from hence for *Luxemburg*, where he will be taken up eight or ten days in settling the affairs of that Province. Our Letters from the *Muse* assure us that the French Army is retiring out of the *Brandenburg* Territories, that they will repass the *Rhine* at *Wesel*, and then march in three Bodies, the first towards the *Moselle*, and the other two by different ways towards the *Muse*. The *Marschal de Crequi* and the Count *de Roze*, purposed, in their return for *Paris*, to pass this way. From *Strasbourg* of the 24th past they write, That Monsieur *de Buffi* was encamped at *Limbain* with a Body of Horse and Foot; That the French continue to treat the Subjects of the City of *Strasbourg*, who have any Revenues in the Country, as Enemies, because they retain the Emperors Troops in Garrison; and that the French have furnished the Canal they were making between *Schlestadt* and *Kastelnobis*, being 12 foot broad, and 5 deep.

Brussels, August 4. To morrow his Excellency parts hence for *Luxemburg*. Our Letters from *Maastricht* of the 2 inst. say, That the States General have finally consented, to the reestablishment of the Prince of *Liege's* Jurisdiction at *Maesstricht*; That they were working hard on the Fortifications of that City, and that very considerable stores of Ammunition, &c. were lately arrived there from *Holland*. From *Lipskadt* of the 29th past they write, that the French Army decamped the 28 and marched towards the *Rhine*. From *Berlin* we have advice, that the Elector of *Brandenburg* was making of new levies, and that a great quantity of Fire-works were preparing, and that his Troops were marching in all diligence towards the *Elbe*.

Paris, August 5. The King had made choice of the *Marquis de Vitry* to go in quality of his Ambassador to the Crown of *Poland*, but hath since changed his resolution, and will now send him to the Emperor. On Tuesday night last hapened a Fire in the Queens stables at *St. Germain*, 10 or 12 horses were burnt, and others very much spoiled. Monsieur *de Louvois* has had the misfortune to break his leg in two peices by a fall from his horse. The 28th past the *Marschal de Crequi* decamped from the Neighborhood of *Minden*, and marched towards

Wesel