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Dublin, May 7.

From *Limrick* we are advised, of the arrival in that River of a great East-India ship, bound for London, richly laden, upon the account of that Company.

From *Galloway* we are told, that the last week the *Sorlings* and *Forrester* have taken a *Flushing* of 16 Guns, and 60 Men, which they have brought into that harbour.

Falmouth, May 8. Yesterday came in here the *Constant-Warwick* from the *Sreighes*, having left the Fleet commanded by Rear-Admiral *Kemphorn*, consisting of about 70. Sail, 40. Leagues off the North-Cape, in a good condition, and supposes them now in the *Soundings*. In his way homewards he took 3. French Prizes, one the *St Andrew* of *Saint Maloes*, of 200 Tuns, 11 Guns, and 73 Men, laden with Salt and Provisions, and bound for *New-found land*, a second, the *Alexander* of *St Valery*, with Salt and Provisions, for the Bank, being a Vessel of 100 Tuns, 5 Guns, and 26 Men; the third, being likewise a Banker of less Value, he sent away with the prisoners, bringing in with him the other two into this Harbor.

Berwick, May 8. On Monday morning last came into *Holy-Islands*, a prize taken by captain *Robinson* of *Dundee*, upon the coast of *Denmark*, laden with Oyl, Tarr, and Stock-fish.

Pembroke, May 8. The *Richmond* lately sayling towards the coast of *Ireland*, and discovering two Vessels, came up with them, and found one of them to be a *Flushing* caper of 4 Guns, with a *Bristol* Vessel of 40 Tuns, which he had made Prize; the Caper made his escape by the advantage of his Oars, but the *Bristol* man being retaken, was brought into this Harbor.

Hague, May 17. Holland is at the last agreed with the rest of the Provinces, and content that they respectively send their Deputies to the Treaty of *Breda*: The persons to be employed, are from *Gelderlands*, the *Heer Ripperda*, from *Holland*, *Beverning*; from *Zealand*, the Pensionary *Huibert*, from *Friesland*, *Fongstadt*; from *Overissel*, *Serieck*; and from *Groeninghen*, *Ssarckenbourgh*: The Province of *Vrecht* only has not yet nominated any person for that employment. Of these, *Beverning*, *Huibert*, and *Fongstadt*, are to be daily present at all conferences, which is a liberty that the rest are not admitted to, being only to be called in near the conclusion of any Article, and to sign with the rest.

Two dayes since arrived here from *Breda*, *D'Estrades*, by order from his Master the King of *France*. Yesterday he was admitted to his publique audience, where he gave the States an account of his Majesties intentions, to march with his Army to take possession of those places which belong to him in the Spanish Netherlands, informing them, that he expected a considerable assistance from them in prosecution of his pretensions: To which ('risaid,) they answered to this effect, that they should not be wanting to contribute towards any of his Majesties lawful pretensions; but desired time to consider of the fittest methods for it. *D'Estrades* is to make no long stay here, but to pass as soon as possible to his charge at *Dunkirk*.

Van Ghent is lately arrived here to conferr with the States about their maritime affairs, and some intentions there are of sending out a Fleet for the Mediterranean. *De Ruyter* has order to put to sea with the first fair wind, with a Fleet of about 60 sail of men of war, and 2 or 3 persons appointed out of the body of the States are to goe aboard him to give their advices, and directions, in any matters of importance.

We are even now informed that the Electress of *Brandenburg*, who fell sick in her journey towards *Berlin*, is now in a very dangerous condition, with little hopes of recovery.

Paris, May 16. From *Rochelle* we are advised, that the Duke de *Beaufort* being informed that some English Privateers had taken two French Merchant ships, going from *S. Sebastian*, immediately ordered seven of his lighter Men of War to put to sea to secure the Coasts from them.

We are here with some impatience expecting an account of the success of the *Sieur de Gaumont* in his Negotiation with the Princes of the *Rhine*.

His Majesty being intent upon his march to the Rendezvous, sent lately for the Deputies of Parliament, to whom he committed the care of some affaires in his absence, commanding them to obey the orders of the Queen; and to see that good justice be done to the people: at the same time declaring the Premier President Governor of *Paris*, during the absence of the *Marschal D' Aumont*; the Premier President, beseeching his Majesty in the behalf of his brethren lately banished, that they might be recalled. The King refused it, saying, he had several reasons not to be too hasty in restoring them. Yesterday His Majesty went hence by the way of *Amiens*, intending immediately for the Rendezvous.

The Prince de *Monaco* commands a very full Troop of 600 horse, in the completing whereof, he has expended at the least 40000 Crowns.

Some few daies since we received advice that the Governor of *Montullin* belonging to His Majesty, sent lately to demand contributions of the *Flemings*, about *S. Omers*, which being told to the Governor of the latter place, he immediately sent him word, that if he persisted in those demands, he could not but follow the example, in requiring the like from the Subjects of the King of *France*, under his Government; and presently sent away a Letter of complaint to his Majesty, who is very ill satisfied with the proceedings of his Governor.

That part of the Fleet which was at *Brest*, consisting of 8 great Men of War, from 40 to 70 Guns a piece, 12 Fireships, and 3 Prizes, are lately sayled for *Rochell* to joyn with the rest of the Fleet, and to take in there their Provisions and other necessaries, which the Country about *Brest* cannot supply them with, being much impoverished, and in much want. The Commander *Pol* is gone to Sea with 5 great Men of War, and 3 Fireships, to attend the motion of some English ships that are expected from *Cadie*.

The French Kings Letter to the States General of the United Provinces.

Most Dear Friends, Allyes and Confederates, We dispatch this Courier expressly to the *Sieur the Count D'Estrades* our Extraordinary Ambassador with you, to order him to let you know from us, as being our good and true Friends and Allyes, the Resolution which after a long and manifest denial of all Justice, our Honor and our Interest has forced us to take for maintenance of the Rights of the Queen our Dearest Wife, and our Dearest Son the *Daulphin*. To this end we command our said Ambassador to communicate to you a Writing which we caused to be composed and publishd, to inform all Christendom of the Evidence of our Reasons, with a Copy of the Letter which we writ this day to our Dearest Sister the Queen of *Spain*: In the former peece you will see the undisputable grounds of our proceeding; and that (without desiring the breach of Peace, or pretending to or desiring the Estate of another) all our thoughts only aime at the delivery of our selves from