

to be re-est-lished, and all the Commands in that Army intended for *Alsatia* are disposed of by the Prince of *Condé*, to his great satisfaction. His Army who has thereupon returned thanks to his Majesty: His Army is to consist of 20000 men; besides those Forces promised him by his Allies and Relations.

'Tis said his Majesty is taking Order for a new Levy of 8000 Switzers to be employed in his next Summers Service.

Letters of the first Instant from the Army tell us, that the Marshal de *Turenne* was then at *Enghien*, and his Army when Encamped about it; that he has sent to *Bragne le Comte*, and to another little place to tell them, that unless they continue Neutral and forbear all Acts of Hostility, he shall be forced to take Order to Demolish them.

Plymouth, Septemb. 29. Yesterday in the morning Rear-Admiral *Kempthorne*, with several Fregats in his Company, set sail for *Portsmouth*. Here are as yet riding in the Sound, the *Warspite*, *Tiger*, *Constant Warwick*, *Falcon*, *Pearle*, and *Eagle*, which intended this day to have followed him, but are prevented by ill weather. The Merchant Ships which came under their Convoy from *Kinsale*, and were separated by Storm, are safely arrived here, where are also forced back the Ships which yesterday put to Sea for the West Indies.

The last night a Merchant ship of 50 tons belonging to this Town, laden with *Pilchards*, *Tin*, *Pack-clothes* and other Goods, bound for the *Straits*, took fire, but by what accident we know not, and was wholly consumed, with a man and a Boy that were aboard her.

Bristol, Sept. 30. This day a Spanish ship of 300 tons which lately came into this Port laden with Oyls from *Majorca*, was Carling in *Hangerood* in order to her return homewards, but being overtaken by a Lighter in which were her 28 guns and some Ballist. Great care is taking to buy them up with all the speed that may be, that the Road may not be prejudiced by them.

This day arrived the *Laurel Tree* of *Dartmouth* from *Nevis*, and another Vessel from *Zante*, laden with *Currants*.

Tarmouth, Sept. 30. Yesterday arrived in this Road the Victory from *Hull* with some laden Vessels, and the *Truelove* from the Southwards with a Fleet of light ships, who are all at Anchor, to the number of 60 sail. Those from *Hull* inform us, that three Vessels are lately cast away in *Humber*, and that they met with much wrecks at *S. B.*

This afternoon we have a great storm of Wind at *West*, by which we discover a Vessel between the *Cockle* and *St. Nicholas* Sands, that has there struck, and is now sunk, but the men as yet save themselves upon the shrouds, which continue above water, but cannot be relieved till the storm cease.

Westcotes, Sept. 30. Yesterday by ill weather were forced into this place several English ships from the *Downes*, some of them bound for the Western parts of *England*, and others for *France* and *Biscay*; as also fourteen sail of Dutch, part of a Fleet of 300 sail, which about a week since sailed from the *Texel* with two Convoyes, with whom joyned about 50 sail more from the *Mares*, bound to the Western parts of *France* and *Spain*, and divers of them for the *West-Indies*, but were by ill weather dispersed. They left behind them in the *Texel* 150 sail of Merchants, bound for the *Levant*, and several places in the *Mediterranean*; they tell us, that they left their Admiral de *Ruyter* with 20 sail of Men of War near the *Mares*, intending in few daies to pass through the *Sonne*. Here is also newly arrived the young *Tobias* of *Hambourg*, laden with *Deals* and piece goods, bound for *Bishop*, telling us, that the King of *Denmark* being at *Gluckstadt*, the Senate and Magistrates of *Hambourg* had made their Addresses, with some Presents to him, but were refused Audience, till his Majesty had first received the Princes Embassadors that were there expected.

Harwich, Oct. 1. On Monday morning a Vessel of 120 tons belonging to *Tarmouth*, was cast away upon the *West Rocks*, but her men all saved.

Portsmouth, Oct. 1. Last night arrived in *St. Hellens Road*, Sir *Feremy Smith* with his Squadron from *Kinsale*, and two English ships richly fraught from the *East Indies*, with the two rich Dutch Prizes taken outward bound for the *East*

Indies, all of them, with the Squadron under the Command of Rear-Admiral *Kempthorne* here expected bound for the *Thames*.

Deal Oct. 1. There are now riding in the *Downs* 707 of his Majesties Men of War, with 8 Merchant Ships richly laden from the *East-Indies*, *Aleppo*, *Zante* and other places. Several others are now coming in, supposed to be the rest of the Convoy under the Command of Sir *Feremy Smith* and Rear-Admiral *Kempthorne*.

Whitehall, Sept. 27. His Majesty having by an Order in Council of Oct. 25. 1665. upon the Reasons therein expressed, given liberty to Merchants and other his Subjects Trading to, and having Goods and Merchandises at *Maliga*, *Alicant* and other Foreign parts, to return and bring home their Effects in ships belonging to any in Amity with His Majesty, notwithstanding the Acts of Navigation, &c. Declaring also, That when His Majesty should think fit to determine that Dispensation, His Majesty would by His Royal Proclamation give six months notice thereof, to the said Merchants or other person therein concerned, should be surprised; which Order was not, nor could be intended to give liberty to any of His Majesties Subjects to bring in their Goods in ships belonging to any then in Amity with His Majesty after they became His Enemies. His Majesty having taken the same into consideration, thought fit with the Advice of His Privy Council to publish His Royal Proclamation, thereby Declaring, That the said Order of Oct. 25. 1665. and the liberty thereby given, shall from henceforth determine and be revoked, yet so nevertheless, that all such Merchants as upon encouragement of the forementioned Order, have made use of Foreign ships as aforesaid, shall not suffer any prejudice for their so doing within the space of six months from the date thereof; His Majesty farther Declaring, That all other Proclamations, Orders and Warrants that have been at any time issued or granted upon any occasion whatsoever during the late War, which do not agree with, or are in any wise contrary to the said Acts, or either of them; and all and every the Dispensations, Licences, Liberties, Clauses, Matters and Things in the said Proclamations, Orders and Warrants, or any of them contained, shall from and after the date thereof, cease, be void, and of no force, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, any thing in them or any of them contained to the contrary notwithstanding; whereof all persons concerned are thereby to take notice and conform themselves accordingly.

Whitehall, Sept. 30. On Friday next Commissioner *Perris* is by his Majesty ordered to appear before the Council, to answer what shall be objected against him concerning the late miscarriage at *Chatham*; and that he might not want the help necessary for his just defence, liberty is this day given to his Council to repair to him at the Tower.

His Majesty being moved out of his Royal Compassion, to take into consideration the condition of such persons as remain prisoners of State in several parts of this Kingdom, was this day graciously pleased to give order in Council for the release and discharge of several of them.

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These are by Order of the Lords Commissioners of his Majesties Treasury to give notice to all persons, that his Majesty will let to Farm the duty of Excise for three years, the Leases to begin from the 24th of June next. And to the end that all persons concerned may have convenient notice whereby they may be received to bid for it, These are further to publish, that this day fortnight, being Wednesday, the 16th day of this instant moneth of October, at three of the Clock in the afternoon in the Treasury Chamber at *Whitehall*, the said Lords Commissioners of his Majesties Treasury will be ready to receive any Proposals which shall be tendered to them concerning the Farming the same, whether by Counties, or by greater Farms, or all together: After which, the said Lords Commissioners will also give convenient notice of the time when the same shall be let. In the mean time all persons concerned are to take notice, that for the security of his Majesties Rent it will be expected that a considerable Advance of money be made, and therefore they are desired to form their Proposals accordingly.