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Newcastle, Oct. 11.

Here are lately arrived 20 sail of light Colliers from the Southwards, as many more were yesterday near the Bars, but the Wind coming about to the North with a stiff gale, blew them back again, only four great ships that were most a head, with some difficulty got in.

West-Cowes Oct. 12. Several ships belonging to Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Alushing, Dantzick, with some Swedes, in all to the number of 30 sail, that were driven in hither by contrary winds and stormy weather, are this day put to Sea with a fair wind, bound some of them to the West of England, others to several parts of France and Spain, two Zealanders onely, with a small Sloop, intending for the Caribbe Islands.

Plymouth, Oct. 13. Here is lately arrived a Vessel of this place which was left behind the late Fleet which some time since came from Virginia, as also the *Marygold* of London from the Isle of Gamara, where a Dutch Man of War had taken several Privateers, and one Merchants ship laden with goods to a considerable value from that place. Here are also put in two small vessels from St. Maloes, and one Dutch Ship from Martenego.

Lisbon, Sept. 22. About a Week since came into Porto six Brasile ships well laden with Sugars and Tobacco: Yesterday arrived here the Portugais Fleet of seven Men of War, which have been these two Months cruising upon the Coasts, having not in all that time met with any booty or considerable adventure.

Venice, Oct. 7. A Vessel arriving here from Smirna, brings us letters of the 26th of August from Candia, confirming to us the obstinacy of the Turks in still continuing the Siege, that they make daily assaults, springing fresh Mines, and by that means endeavouring to make nearer approaches to the Town; but by the great prudence and conduct, as well as by the extraordinary valour and courage of the besieged, they have been as often beaten off with loss, and their attempts happily frustrated. Their Cannon has somewhat torn divers houses and some part of their walls, but the greatest hurt the Town has received, has been from the many Granadoes shot into the Town from their Mortar-pieces.

The Captain-General has for prevention of all surprizes, by a severe Proclamation, commanded all the Souldiery to keep constantly in the several Posts allotted to them, and to take from them all pretences for their absence; has commanded all sorts of Provisions to be put to sale near the walls of the Town.

The Battery which the Turks raised near the Port has had but little or no effect, they having from thence only fired some Guns at a Ship which was lying near the Mole.

By letters of a fresher date we are told that the Turks, after many fruitless attempts, having found little success against the Outworks, were by their Mines drawing towards the Fosse, which the besieged having taken notice of, were by their Countermine labouring to prevent.

By the way of Rome we the last night received Letters of Sept. the 8th, which tell us that the Turks had bent the most considerable part of their force against the Outworks of *Mocatenigo* and *Panigra*, and by the frequent springing of their Mines had somewhat endangered them, especially that of *Panigra*, where by the blowing up of one of their Mines, *Seignior Giustiniano*, Commissary of the Victuals, with two o-

ther Officers were killed, and that the Turks were endeavouring to lodge themselves amongst the ruins. They tell us also that upon a view of all the Souldiery in the Town, about 1500 had been killed since the Siege; but there were still about 10000 stout men remaining for the defence of the place.

A Squadron of our Ships were lately seen in their way from Zante with great quantities of Match, Powder, and a supply of Men to be put into Candia, and 5 other Ships were lying Bisket and provisions for the same employment, expecting the arrival of his Excellency *Morosini*, Captain of the Gallies, with the Moulds sent for the Encouragement of the besieged.

The 5th Instant several Ships went from hence with supplies for Candia, and many others are fitting up for the same service.

Paris, Oct. 19. By a Courier arrived from Flanders, we are informed, that two thousand German Foot have lately passed by Antwerp, having embarked themselves at Hamburg, and by Sea passed to the mouth of the *Scheldt*, from whence they marched uninterrupted, and are now entered under the Spanish pay, and 'tis believed several other Regiments will endeavour to follow them by the same way; and that a considerable number more are arrived, who in small parties have insensibly made their way through other Countries, notwithstanding the Guards upon the passages, and are daily entertained in the Spanish Army.

The Garrison in Lille is grown of late very sickly, about 800 having lately dyed out of the 7000 French there quartered, which is principally attributed to the ill Diet they have, by reason of the great scarcity of Provisions.

A considerable Body of the Army is still together about Tournay, which may not probably be fixed in their Winter-Quarters before the end of this Month.

The King has now ordered that all his Army shall every year receive five compleat months pay for the defraying of their Winter-Quarters, and to this end has sent moneys into Flanders to be distributed amongst his Souldiers.

The Council has lately had some debate for the speediest way of raising more Forces, and of charging each Parish and Village with a proportionable number of men which they shall raise and entertain in his Majesty's Service, in consideration whereof, they are to have a considerable abatement made them in their Taxes, which 'tis believed will be put in execution if the War continues. In the mean while, there have been some Overtures for the composition of Differences with Spain, and his Majesty is resolved to depure some person of quality to be sent to the Electors and Princes of the Empire, to let them know that he is no enemy to Peace, but is willing to accept of their Mediation in order thereunto.

The Marquis de *Greguy* went forwards the 17th Instant for Alsacia, and the Marquis de *Bellefonds* is gone to his Government at Charleroy.

Our late Letters from Rome inform us, that the Pope has dismissed three hundred Swisses which were entertained in his Guards in the place of those Corpes which the late Pope was obliged to part with, these new Guards of Swisses being not thought nimble enough to attend the Banquets, and pursue them upon all occasions; and that the Spanish Ambassador has gotten leave to entertain them in his Majesty's Service, and has accordingly sent them into the Kingdome of Naples: the same Letters tell us, that the Pope is not to be prevailed on to part with *Castro*, notwithstanding all the Arguments used by our Ambassador for that purpose.