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Vienna, July 21.

THe Emperor continues his Resolution to begin the 27th Instant his Journey towards *Neubourg*; where the Ceremonies of the King of *Spain's* Marriage with the Princess *Palatine* are to be performed on the 15th of the next Month. The Letters we received this day from the Imperial Army commanded by Prince *Louis of Baden*, inform us, That a Body of Turks under the Seraskier had passed the River *Morava*, and that the Grand Visier would suddenly follow with the rest of the Ottoman Forces, which together would make about 5000 Men. That Prince *Louis* was resolved to give them Battle, and stayed only for the arrival of the Count *de Vereyans* with the Troops under his Command, after which he would advance towards the Enemy. That it was reported, that *Tokkeley* had taken by Assault the Castle of *Notograd*, (which was defended by the *Rascians*) and that he was gone to attack *Clodina*, which are places of little importance farther than that they facilitate the Enemies design of relieving *Jemlowitz*. The Imperial Ministers have communicated to the Envoy of *Moscovy* all that passed in their late Conferences with the Turkish Emirs, and have wished let him know, that the Emperor is not only willing himself, but will endeavour to obtain the Consent of his Allies, to receive the *Czars* into the Alliance which they desire, that so they may be assured, that no Peace will be made with the *Turks*, without including them. The *Heer Hoop* Envoy Extraordinary from the States General of the United Provinces, having finished his Negotiation at this Court, parted from hence on Tuesday last on his return towards *Holland*.

From the Imperial Camp before *Mentz*, July 26. The 22d Instant in the evening we opened our Trenches, without any hinderance from the Enemy, who were in some disorder that night, occasioned by the Bombs which the Hellions shot into the Town from their Battery on the other side of the *Rhine*, and which set several Houses on fire. The 23d by break of day some of the Enemies Horse came out to disturb our Workmen, but were quickly forced to retire. They placed several small Field-pieces along the Counter-scarp, with which they fired upon our Workmen; and the young Prince *Fredericke of Neubourg* was unfortunately killed by a Shot from thence. At night the Trenches were relieved by 4000 Men, of which 1000 were of the Troops of *Hannauer*, and we advanced our Works very considerably; the Enemy often shewed themselves in small Parties, but presently retired again. The 24th the Saxons posted themselves in the Monastery of the *Carthusians*; and we finished our Lines of Communication. The same day a person came out of the Town, and reported, That the Garrison was composed of 6000 Men. At night the *Lunenburghs* relieved the Trenches with 4000 Men. The 25th, the Imperialists removed their Bridge higher up towards the Mill, and secured it with a Redoubt, and almost finished two Batteries, one of 15, and the other of 25 Pieces of Cannon. We are told, that General *Dunewaldt* is ordered to march with 8000 Horse to observe the Duke de *Duras*, who continues encamped with the Forces under his Command near *Neustadt*.

From the Camp before *Mentz*, July 28. The Elector of *Bavaria* has, since my last, joined us with 10000 Men; and all the Saxon Forces are now on this side the *Rhine*; and yesterday three Regiments of *Hesse* likewise passed that River. The Enemy fired very smartly last night, and we had 10 Men killed, and 30 wounded; we have two Attacks, that on the left is carried on by the Imperialists and *Lunenburghs*, and the other on the right by the Saxons and *Bavarians*; and our Trenches are advanced within 130 Paces of the Counter-scarp. The Saxons have raised a Battery near the *Carthusians*, from whence they fire into the Town, and the French Fort in the *Rhine* over against

Catholien. To-morrow our great Battery will be ready. At the attack on the left 4000 Imperialists relieved the Trenches one day, the second 3000 Imperialists and 1000 *Lunenburghs*, and the third day 4000 *Lunenburghs*. The Enemy have not yet made any Salleys.

Brandfort, July 30. Here is a report, That the Imperialists before *Mentz* have taken by Storm a Fort, which was lately built by the French near the Town, and was defended by 100 Men, and that they maintained themselves there, though the Enemy endeavoured three several times to recover it.

From the Camp before *Bon*, August 2. We continue to fire upon the Town from our Cannon and Mortars, which have had all the effect that could be expected. On the 21st past, the Elector of *Brandenburg* went out towards a place called *Godesberg*, and in his return escaped very narrowly an Ambush which the Enemy had laid in a Vineyard, several that were with him being killed.

Cologne, August 2. The account we have of the Siege of *Mentz*, is, That the Imperialists were busied with carrying on their Approaches, and raising their Batteries. That the Elector of *Bavaria* does likewise command an attack; and that their great Cannon would be mounted this day against the Town. The Elector of *Brandenburg* going two days ago out of his Camp towards *Godesberg*, was in his return attacked near *Bon* by a French Party, who was laid in Ambush, and was in great danger, but after some skirmishing, in which several were killed on both sides, the French fled to *Bon*.

Brussels, August 3. The Dutch Army, commanded by Prince *Waldecke*, continues encamped near *Traimon*, in a very advantageous place, having a *Mars* and the River *Sambre* behind them, and a Wood on their right, about 2 Leagues from *Charleroy*, and within 3 Leagues of the French Army, which lies near *Givri*, under the Command of the *Marschal d'Humieres*. On Monday last, some of the General Officers went from the Dutch Army to *Ghent*, in order to visit the Spanish Camp at *Dynsel*; which the French having notice of, they sent out a Party of 500 Horse to waylay them in their return, who pretending by the means of some Germans they had amongst them, to be Friends, advanced without being discovered as far as a place called *Mercktem*, where they found a Guard of 25 Horse; these knowing them to be French, beat back the Enemies Van-Guard, but the rest approaching, were forced to retire, with the loss of two of their Company killed, and 6 taken Prisoners. In the mean time, the Generals were returning from *Ghent*, and were come within a quarter of an hour's march of the Enemy, when being advertised thereof by a Peasant, they turned towards *Dendermonde*, and arrived here last night. Our Governor General is now at *Ghent*, from whence several Pieces of Cannon with Ammunition, &c. have been sent to the Camp at *Dynsel*. The Dutch have finished their Bridge over the *Sambre*. Some Dutch Troops had lately a rencounter with a French Party, of whom they killed several, and took a Cornet and 3 or 4 more Prisoners.

Hague, August 5. The States General have ordered the several Colleges of the Admiralty, and all their Officers, to seize upon all Ships that are bound to *France*, or that come from thence. On the 27th past, 4 Dutch Ships bound for the *West-Indies*, sailed out of the *Texel*, which, as we are informed by two Vessels come into the *Maese*, were met near the *Dogger Sand* by 4 French Men of War belonging to *Dunkirk*, whereof one carried 50 Guns, and after a sharp Engagement for several hours, one of the said Dutch Ships was burnt, and another sunk.