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Falmouth, March 29.

THis day arrived here three English ships, one from Barbado's, a second from the Madra's, and the third from Malaga; the last affirming that three of the Smirna ships put out to sea a day before she came from thence, and may be suddenly expected on the Coasts.

Plymouth, March 31. The *Antelope* is still here taking in provisions. Yesterday came in a Flyboat of 400 Tuns from London, and this day three small ships of this place from St. Malo's and Morlaix.

Lyme, April 1. The 30th and 31st past arrived the *Samuel* from Crofick, laden with Salt, the *King-Fisher* from St. Malo's, and *Francis* from Morlaix, with Linthen Cloth; bringing little News besides the French preparations both by land and sea, and their great expectation of success against the Spaniards in the Netherlands.

Weymouth, April 1. Two Vessels yesterday arrived from Cherbourg in France, advertise us that the French are still raising forces in those parts, to be sent into the Netherlands; but that their general discourse is of a speedy Peace with Spain.

Portsmouth, April 2. Yesterday the *Montague* and *Bristol* were launched out of the dry Dock, and will be in little time fitted out to sea. The *Ruby* is now brought into the Dock, and will be in few dayes ready to follow.

Naples, Mars. 13. The five Gallies which went lately from hence with six Companies of Spanish Foot, to place in exchange in the room of some other Companies in Garrison on the Coasts of Tuscany, are hither returned, with the said exchanged Infantry, which are here employed in Garrison. Several ships are lately arrived here, belonging to Holland and other places. In few dayes may be expected here a part of the Spanish Fleet, with whom are to be joined the Gallies belonging to this place. The Princes *di Belvedere* and *di Santo Giorgio* being in the mean while employed in levying men to be put aboard them.

Much pains has been taken to find out those persons which lately murdered the Prince *di Castiglione*, but none are yet discovered; nor can it yet be imagined on what occasion they were moved to commit so barbarous a fact.

Venice, Mar. 24. About the end of the last week, divers of the great pieces of Canon, which were lately cast in the Arsenal, were taken thence, and sent away to be put aboard the two new ships, called the *Triumphant Lion*, and the *Thundering Ariour*, which are now well equipped and ready to take them in, and may in little time set sail for the Levant with Signior *Cattarin Cornaro* in Quality of Provéditor Extraordinary to the Armata, and divers other Captains who have lately taken Employments in the service, and amongst others, the Marquis *de Montbrun*, who is now here *incognito*, making up his Train to appear with the greater splendor before the Duke, and to receive such Orders as shall be given him in relation to his employment in *Can'ia*, in the room of the Marquis *Villa*, who is to return into Savoy to attend the command of the Duke; besides those ships which are to be sent away upon the public account, divers other new ships are setting out upon the expences of private persons, and are taking in Men and Ammunition to be sent into the Levant, and to be employed in the Fleet. The great Convoy is believed will not be ready to pass for *Candia* till the end of the next month, in the mean while we are daily sending away some

vessels, with labourers and necessaries, who are all ordered to pass by the way of *Zante*, and from thence to take their opportunities of putting into *Candia*.

From *Constantinople* we have frequent Advice of the great preparations made by the Grand Signior for the carrying on of the war in *Candia*, wherein he resolves to employ all the force he is able both by Sea and Land; He lately ordered two Chiauses to *Tunis* and other parts of *Barbary* to require their assistance with what ships could be spared from thence, but they have hitherto desired to be excused, having full employment for all their ships; and finding a great want of Slaves to furnish those they have.

The Signior *André Valter* Provéditor of *Zant*, having been made choice of to be employ'd as Envoye from this Republick to the Ottoman Court, by Letters to the Senate hath desired to be excused, pretending his incapacity; but this not satisfying the Senate, his dispatches will be suddenly sent him with Orders to set forwards upon the receipt of them.

Young General *Spar* a German, is lately entertain'd in the service of this Republick, to command as General of the Forreign forces employed in *Candia*, with an annual Pension of four thousand Ducats; and General *Vertmiller*, as 'tis said, to be sent into *Dalmatia*; where Provéditor *Prinli* being perfectly restored to his health, is again returned to the exercise of his Charge, visiting the Frontiers, and securing the Country both from the sword and the plague of the Enemy.

Vienna, March 26. The late progress of the French in *France Comte*, and their great preparations for the next campagne, obliges the Emperour to order some Regiments to draw down towards *Tyrol* and the adjoining Countries, and to take Order for the security of *Alsacia* and *Brisgow*, from whence the Commissary General *Keyserstein* is lately returned, having by His Imperial Majesties Command visited the most considerable places which are under the Emperours Jurisdiction, and is now gone to give an account thereof to the Court at *Vienna*.

On Sunday last *Te Deum* was sung here for the happy Peace concluded between Spain and Portugal, the Spanish Ambassadour demonstrating the welcome of that pleasing News, by exhibiting two Fountains of Wine to the people, with other expressions of joy usually observed on such occasions.

Yesterday arrived here from *Rasab* the Count *de Montcauculi*, somewhat ill with an Apoploical distemper.

The States of the *Lower Austria* have freely advanced the sum of 5000 Rixdollers towards the expences of the rebuilding of the Emperors Palace; lately ruined by fire; and 'tis said this City has also resolved to follow that example.

The Director of the *Levant* Company is daily here expected, with great quantities of rich Merchandizes from *Turky*.

Some dayes since the Deputies from the *Upper Hungary* had an Audience from the Emperour; from which they were dismissed with much satisfaction. The Turkes about *New-hassel* are pursuing their design of building Bridges next the City for great numbers of Horses, which gives a jealousy to the neighbouring parts.

Basle, Mart. 29. The Cantons still continue their Assembly, and a debate is still continued at the late progress of the French in the Country of *Switzerland*, and that the four thousand Swisses which by their Confession were only to have been employ'd within the French Kings Dominions, were during the last Campaign employ'd in the Conquest of