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Newcastle, April 14.

Yesterday failed hence the remainder of our laden Fleet, being near eighty sail, whereof 12 bound to the Eastwards.

Hull, April 15. On Monday last went out from *Humber* three ships for *Rotterdam*, one for *Amsterdam*, two for *Dantzick*, all of them belonging to this place and laden with the Commodities of the Countreys, and with them two Danes, and two other vessels of this Town for *Norway*; having for some time been detained in the River by contrary winds.

Venice, April 7. Our Convoys under the command of Seignior *Catarin Cornaro* may in few days put to sea for *Candia*, being already well stored and furnished with those necessaries, and conveniences which may be of use for the defence of that place; The Marquis de *St. André Ambrun* with about 40 Officers which have followed him hither from *France*, being ready to embark on the same Convoy. The young Baron *Sparr*, on whom the Senate has conferred the charge of General of the foreign forces employed in *Candia* with a pension of 4000 Ducats, will also in few days take the way of *Zante* in a lusty ship fitted up for this service, intending to put himself into *Candia* as soon as the winds will permit him.

We are confirmed in the report that the Turks begin to renew the Siege with much eagerness, and although the General *Morofini* with a Squadron of 17 Gallies and 2 Gallies continues still with much diligence cruising in the *Archipelago*, yet such care is taken by the Turks in sending recruits from all convenient parts of their dominions, that by this means some of them have already reached them. The Turks from the new raised Mount still continue firing upon the Port, but 'tis hoped by the prudence and valour of the besieged they may in little time be obliged to quit the Battery and leave the Port again open for the free passage of our ships.

From the *Levant* we are told that the Grand Visier has by his Letters to far prevailed upon the Sultan, that he seems now more than ever inclin'd to prosecute that Siege both by Sea and Land, to which end he has given strict orders to his Bassa General at Sea, to fit up all his Gallies, and to impress what numbers of other ships he shall think convenient for the Convoys of men and other necessaries to *Candia*. That Commissions were dispatch'd to the Bassa's and Commanders of all the Provinces, to make levies, and prepare stores which might be in readines on all occasions for Transportation. That all their Feudataries should according to their duty be in readines to serve in the war, and that already divers Companies of Janaries, with other Soldiers were ready upon severall occasions to embark with great numbers of Pioneers and Laborers to be employ'd in the works and Mines; and for the greater encouragement of his people, who seem not over forward and active for this employment, the Grand Seignior was resolv'd in person to pass into *Aegeropont*, to give such further orders as might be needful for the carrying on of that work.

In the mean time the Senate as they omit nothing that can be done to prevent the loss of a place of so much concernment not only to this Republick but to the whole Christian world, so are they also endeavouring to experiment what can be done by the way of Treaty. To which purpose they have ordered Seignior *Andre Valier*, General of the three Islands now at *Zante*, to hasten forward on his employment to the Ottoman Court, under the character of Envoy, and to attend the

Grand Seigniors Orders at *Suda*, and have during his absence, committed the care of his charge in the three Islands to Seignior *Pietro Valier*, his kinsman.

Count *Wrangle*, Nephew to the Field Meece of that name being sometime since return'd hither from the *Levant*, where he has served in the Fleet as a Volunteer, is now endeavoring to obtain some command against the Turks.

Vienna, April 8. Since the return of Major General *Keyserstein* with an account of the state of *Brifgow*, the Foot Regiment de *Gensague* quartered in this City, have been ordered to march towards those parts; but the four other Regiments designed for the same service, have not yet any farther Orders, but continue still in their Quarters; but 'tis believed the said Major General, who is lately by His Imperial Majesty made Marshall General of the Camp, may this week depart for *Tyrol*, with the Regiments of *Fortia* and *Lesle*.

The Emperour is expected here from *N^o dt* the 18th instant, about which time the Venetian Ambassadors, who is at present lodged in the Suburbs, may make his Publick Entry.

The Barons de *Blomendael* and de *Grisfenclaw* Envoyed here from his Electoral Highness of *Brandenburgh*, the other from the Elector of *Mayence*, intend this week to return homewards, having dispatched the business for which they were sent.

The Deputies from the Upper *Hungary* having had a favourable Audience and Reception from His Imperial Majesty, departed hence some time since infinitely satisfied, in that they had obtained the re-establishment of their Churches and a re-settlement of their Tolls, which had been formerly taken from them by the Prince *Ragotsky*; which obstacle, being taken away, 'tis believed they may in little time agree upon a General Diet, and expedite affairs for the Coronation of the Empress as Queen of *Hungary*; in Order whereunto, the Emperour has been pleased to give leave to the States to meet in a more private Assembly for the proposal of their Grievances, which are to be more fully handled in the General Diet.

Legorn, April 9. The 6th instant arrived here the *Asia* in 25 days from *Smirna* with letters importing, that the Turks are there pressing all ships in the Port, as well Foreigners as those of their own Subjects, to transport provisions and men for *Candia*, but the English ships who had been taken in, (tho' loading) had hopes of getting their discharge from the employment; and that the Grand Seignior was content upon the reduction of *Candia*, and highly concerned for the great loss already received before it, had some time since set up his Standard at *Constantinople*, and was since passing into *Malvasia*, to encourage by his presence the transportation of his Soldiers and necessaries for *Canea*; and that about the beginning of the last month about 7 in the evening appeared a dreadful Comet, resembling a Lance, which much terrifies the people with the expectation of some dreadful events.

By the same ship we have farther advice, that a ship belonging to one Captain *Dominico Dracelli*, lately sent from *Smirna* laden with Corn and 44 Tuns for *Canea*, was by contrary winds diverted from her Port, and afterwards attached by Captain *Bassell*, a Privateer of *Malibus*, and after some resistance taken, and 38 of her men made prisoners and sent with the Prize to *Mile*.

They farther inform us that on the 8th past; seven of the Venetian Gallies cruising in the *Archipelago*, were in the Night fiercely set upon by twelve Beiler Gallies sent from *Canea*.

Cases; who after a sharp encounter had posseſſed themselves of three of the Venetian Gallies, but that 23 others belonging also to the Venetians, coming timely to their relief, not only recovered those three, but made themselves also Masters of five of the Turkish Gallies, and sunk two others, with a great slaughter of the Turk. They bring not any other particula of this Engagement, but that amongst the slain Turks were *Muzzamama*, *Malapino*, *Dacan Bei*, and *Casin Bei*, persons of great Eminency, that above 500 Turks were taken prisoners, and above 1000 Christian Slaves restored to liberty, and that the Gallies which were taken were sent into *Candia*.

Yesterday a Barque arriving in 20 dayes from *Alexandria*, informs us that several ships were depaſſed thence for *Candia*.

A Barque from *Corſica*, tells us that the *St. Sebastian* a great Ragusean ship, with 400 Burts of Oil from *Puglia*, intended for *Ostend* was unfortunately driven upon the Rocks at *Corſica* and lost, with seven of her men.

The *Sampſon*, *Levant Merchant*, and *Prudence*, for *Scanderoon*, and the *Antam* for *Puglia*, may depart this Evening, and the next Week the *Mary* and *Murtha* for *Smirna*.

Hague, April 14. The Lunenburgers are not yet much advanced on their way to the Rendezvous of our Army intended at *Hardenburg*, the Bishop of *Munſter* having refused them passage, by reason of his League with the Princes his Neighbors, and it's said has secured the passages leading into his Country. placing considerable Guards upon them.

The Field-Marshal *Hurts* arrived the 21. instant at *Swoll*, where he had a conference with the States Commissioners; the Forces are by the Rivers of *Rhine* and *Issell* hastening to their Rendezvous at *Hardenburg*, whereto's believed they may meet on Saturday next, and in a day or two be ready to march.

The *Sieur De Peluiss*, Envoye from his Electoral Highness of *Brandenburgh*, to his Most Christian Majesty, is returned hither from *Paris*, intending for *Berlin*, there to give an account to the Duke his Master of his Negotiation in that Court.

From *Amsterdam* we are informed of the safe arrivall at the *Texell* off our Fleet from *Cadix*, with their Convoy, commanded by Viceadmirall *Sweers*, the whole Fleet consisting of 4. Men of War, and 20 Merchant ships, whereof two laden with Salt miscarried about the *Cape St Vincent*, the Tackle and Furniture of one of them happily saved, but the other wholly lost, with her Men, and six other Marines which were sent by the Viceadmiral to their assistance.

Paris, April 15. On Friday last arrived here a Courier from *Brussels* with an account that the Marquis de *Castel Rodrigo* had received new powers from the Queen Regent of *Spain*, by vertue whereof he was ready to sign the peace between both Crowns. His Majesty has also sent his Orders to Monsieur *Colbert* at *Aix la Chapelle* for the signing of it there, so that the full conclusion of that weighty affair will attend only for the Ratification by the Queen Regent, which 'tis hoped may be obtained before the end of *May* next ensuing.

In the mean time His Majesty orders his forces to keep diligently upon their Quarters, and has commanded all his Officers to repair to the Frontiers, to be present in their Commands and Employments upon pain of imprisonment.

His Majesty is now gone to *Versailles*, where he may continue till Saturday, having before his departure given Orders for the razing and demolishing of all the Fortifications and places of strength in the *Franche Comte*.

From *Lille* we are informed of the arrival there of Monsieur de *Louvois* the 17 instant to take a view of that Garrison, who intended in few days to pass thence to visit the other places and Forts lately conquer'd by His Majesties Army.

The Count de *Coningmark* with his Regiment being in the time expected upon the Frontiers to assist His Majesty in his wars, Two Commissioners from the Council of war are ordered to attend him, and to guide him in the way designed for his March.

The Plague being broken out at *Soissons*, great care is taken by the Parliament to prevent the farther spreading thereof, and the chief Presidents first ordered to be present in those parts, and to see to good watch set in all places, that no persons be permitted to pass without a Certificate of health; and that the sick may not want the conveniences of Chirurgeons to take care of them, they have ordered that all young Chirurgeons who shall repair thither to take care of the sick, shall at the end of the Contagion be made free of their Profession.

Bruges, April 26. We daily expect news of the arrival of *Don Juan* upon our Coasts. Yesterday Sir *Mark d'Ognati* went from hence to *Ostend* by the directions of Marquis *Salazar*, to put all things in readines for his reception; the Marquis himself with divers of the Nobility and States of *Flanders* continuing here, till they shall have certain intelligence of his landing.

From *Aix la Chapelle* we are informed that Monsieur *Colbert* made his publick Entry there the 23 instant with extraordinary State, several other of the Plenipotentiaries may in few days do the like, in the mean while frequent visits pass between them, all of them conceiving great hopes of an happy and speedy issue of the Treaty; especially since Monsieur *Colbert* has received Orders from the King his Master for the signing it according to the preparatory project agreed upon *Paris*.

Plymouth, April 15. A small Vessel of *Topsam* lately arriving from the *Streights* informs us that the 5th instant about 40 leagues off the *Cape Finisterrre*, she met with the Squadron of Monsieur de *Beaufort*, which was cruising there, carrying out English colours; but upon her nearer approach changing them; by whom the Master of this Vessel was called aboard, and in little time dismissed.

Portsmouth, April 16. We are still hastning out our ships to sea, the *Mountaine*, *Tyger*, *Monk* and *Bristol* are near ready, and with this week go out to *Spit head*, the rest are fitting up with all possible diligence to follow them.

Advertisements.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer, are now come to the payment of the 967th Order in number on the *Act* for 1250000l.

On Saturday last was lost out of *Whitehall*, a small blew *Bitch Greyhound*, with a white Neck and Breast, of His Highness Prince *Ruperts*: if any person hath taken her up, he is desired to bring her to His Highness lodgings in the Stone-Gallery, where he shall be well rewarded for his pains.

Sir *Samuel Morland*, having for divers late years, by His Majesties special Command and Encouragement, closely applied himself to the painful Study of Numbers; and having at last (thorow the Blessing of God upon his Endeavours) though with the expence of considerable sums, found out two very useful Instruments; The one serving for Addition and Substraction of any Number of Pounds, Shillings, Pence, and Farthings, or of any other Coins, Weights, and Measures, either of this, or of any other Kingdom, Nation, or Language whatsoever; The other, for the ready performance of Multiplication and Division, together with the Extraction of the Square and Cube Roots, and that so any Number of Places required: And all this without charging the Memory, distracting the Mind, or exposing the Operator to any uncertainty; which no other Method hitherto published, can justly pretend to.

These are therefore to give notice to all who desire further satisfaction concerning the premises, That they may enquire of Mr. *Thomas Plucknett* at his Fathers House in the New Palace Westminster, with whom are lodg'd Instruments of both Kinds, in greater and lesser Volumes: and of whom either Native or Foreigner may bespeak, and in a very short time, and at as reasonable a Rate as the nature of the work will afford, be furnished with any such Instruments, together with most ample and distinct Instructions for all the aforesaid Operations.