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Newcastle, April 24.

ON Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday last failed out from this place about 10 laden Colliers, and several others are preparing to follow.

Hull, April 25. The *Hopeful Trial*, a vessel of this place with a considerable lading of Cloth, Lead and Corn bound for *Amsterdam*, in her passage sprung a leak, and about 5 leagues from the *Texel*, sunk with all her lading, the men escaping in their boat.

Yesterday sailed hence two ships of this place fraught and bound for *Norway*, one other for *Rouen*, and one Swede for *Amsterdam*.

Aix la Chapelle, May 1. S. N. On Friday last arrived here Sir *William Temple* from *Brussels*, as Plenipotentiary from His Majesty of *Great Britain*, who with the rest of the Ministers concerned in that weighty affair, immediately fell upon that work. Yesterday in the Evening, Monsieur *Colbert* Plenipotentiary from His Most Christian Majesty, signed the Treaty in the Heer *Van Bouvering's* lodgings; whereupon Couriers were immediately dispatched with advice thereof to the *Hague*, *Brussels* and other places. The Baron *de Bergeick*'tis believed may be suddenly also induced to sign, but expects first the return of a Courier from *Brussels*.

The Heer *Poltzing* newly arrived here from *Brussels*, tis confidently said that the Baron *de Bergeick* has thereupon on the behalf of His Catholick Majesty signed the Treaty of peace.

Hague, May 4. S. N. Here is lately arrived a *Cavalier* from *Spain*, bringing with him a Letter of the 14th instant, addressed to the States, to this Effect:

Very worthy Great Friends,

The Baron *de Reede* your Ambassador, delivered to me a Letter from you of the 16th past, by which I perceive the friendly Remonstrances you continue to make for the Establishment of a Peace between this Crown and that of *France*; exhorting me to close with it upon the Alternative offered by His Most Christian Majesty, and that I send Powers in good form, for the approving and ratifying all that the Marquis *de Castel Rodrigo* should do either by himself or his Subdelegates in Order thereunto. For which I may answer with a just sense (as it is fit) of the good Offices you do therein, and with an acknowledgment that they are conformable to and becoming to good Neighbours, whose Interests I have and alwayes shall have regard to, with the same Zeal, as to those of the King my Son; the Estates of both, having a mutual concernment in the preservation of one another. And I am very glad that my sincerity and good intentions for Peace, has met your thoughts; since that before the receipt of your said Letter, I had con-

scended to the Instances and Addresses made by your Ambassador, upon what was offered by your and his Majesty of *Great Britain's* Envoyes at *Paris*; and besides the choosing of *Aix-la-Chappelle* for the place of Treaty (notwithstanding that before by an Agreement with the French Ambassador, the City of *Rouen* was designed for that purpose) I sent special and ample Powers (besides what was given to the Marquis *de Castel Rodrigo*) to Don *Espevan de Gamarra*, and to the Baron *de Bergeick*, to the end that the said Marquis should make choice of one of those two Ministers: since this it is come to passe (as you know) that the said Marquis has admitted of the Alternative; which I without delay approved of in the same form in which he accepted it, dispatching away a Courier Extraordinary by the means of your Ambassador, that no time might be lost in an Affair of so great importance. And now farther, to give more superabundant proofs of the sincerity of my Intention, your Ambassador having presented me with a Memorial of the 5th instant, containing a Project, which was given to the said Minister at *Paris*, from the aforesaid His Most Christian Majesty, and pressing me to approve and ratifie it, I also consented to it, without changing one word, and sent it to the said Marquis, to be made use of on every Occasion, when a like Ratification should be given on the behalf of His Most Christian Majesty, that nothing may be wanting for the adjusting and concluding the Peace; and consigned the Paquet to your Ambassador, for its safe conveyance: so that I doubt not but you will be satisfied how much is contributed on my part, both as to the business, and time, for the settlement of Peace, and that the World will see my good intentions; and you be more fully informed of them by the Account your Ambassador will give you; as also by what Don *Espevan de Gamarra* will represent to you on my behalf, to which I refer you; promising my self, that since your good affection in engaging your selves in the Mediation, have had so great an Influence upon my Resolutions, you will also joyntly endeavour as Warrantees, to do all that in re fort can be expected or desired for the farther assistance and strengthening of this Peace, in which all Christendom, but more especially all the Neighbouring Princes are so much interested; from whose Prudence we may expect the like dispositions, in order to their Common Safety. Nor shall the late Accommodation made with

Portugal,