

been much satisfied with his Reception in this City, went hence the last week on his way towards *Spain*, attended by one of the Gallies belonging to this Republick; uncertain as yet whether he shall land at *Barcelona*, or some other Port of *Spain*.

From *Milan* we are told that the new Governour *de los Balbaces* was daily in consultation with the principal Ministers of that State about the affairs of his Government, for the advantage of the interest of his Master the King of *Spain*: that he had by a publique Edict confirmed all the Establishments and Rules made by his Predecessor, and particularly what he had done in reference to the Church: and that he had commanded all Officers to attend their Commands, and had given out his Orders for a general Muster sometime the next Month, intending to take a view of all his forces both of Horse and Foot.

From *Turin* we are told that several Companies are already march'd for the reinforcement of the Garrisons in *Pignerolle*, and that a considerable summe of Money was advanced for the perfecting of the Fortifications there; and that the Duke of *Savoy* was resolv'd in person to go privately to *Vercelli* to encourage the Fortification of that place, and to take a view of the forces which are there in Garrison.

Madrid, May 2. We have here great hopes of the speedy conclusion of the peace between the Crown and that of *France*. Yesterday was held here a *Junio* to consider of that important affair, and an Express was this day dispatcht away with the Articles of the peace.

The Earl of *Sandwich* is preparing for his departure from this Court, and to morrow intends to take his leave of the Queen Regent, and 'tis believed may leave this place within fifteen days.

The 21st past *Don Juan* arriv'd from *Pontevedra* at *Corunna*, having at *Vigo* taken a view of the Armada intended for his Convoy, but as yet we know not at what Port he intends to embark his Soldiers.

Letters of the 10th past from *Malaga* advise us of the arrival there of a great Hamburger of 36 Guns, and two Genoese ones of the same force, the other of 30 Guns who had been in a sharp fight with 11 men of War of *Algier*, by whom two other smaller ships of *Genova* that were in their company were taken, but that after several boardings wherein many men were killed on each side, these three were quitted by the Turks, after considerable marks of this encounter given and received of each side.

Letters of the 23rd past from *Alicant*, tell us of the arrival there that day of the *Sapphire*, *Mermaid*, and *Mary-Rose*, three Fregats belonging to His Majesty of *Great-Britain*, who intended the next day to put to sea again to visit several Ports upon the Coast of *Barbary*.

Vienna, May 5. Here are lately arrived five vessels richly laden from *Turky* with Goods, belonging to that Company of Merchant, they having made very advantageous returns, and found hitherto Civil usage throughout the Turkish Dominions.

Here are lately arriv'd the Envoyes expected from the Cantons of *Switzerland*, who immediately went hence to *Luxemburg* to attend his Imperial Majesty, from whom they had a kind Reception and Audience, but the subject of their Negotiation not yet said.

Hambourgh, May 15. The Commission for the hearing and debating of the pretensions of the Duke of *Holslein Plun* to the County of *Oldenbourg* is deferred till June next ensuing, where 'tis believed His Majesty the King of *Denmark* intends to be present.

The Spanish Levies as yet continue here, and a Captain is also arriv'd here from *Holland*, to raise men for the service of the States of the *United Provinces*, under the Command of the Field Marshal *Wurts*.

From *Warsaw* we are told that His Majesty is yet upon his journey, and may in little time be expected back again; and that His Electoral Highness of *Brandenbourg* is expected in *Prussia*; where 'tis believed he may have an Interview and Conference with His Majesty, under the pretext of an Hunting Match.

They farther tell us that several of the lesser Diets are al-

ready assembled in their respective Provinces according to their usual practice, in Order to the general Assembly which will shortly be held in that City, and that the Nobility are generally employ'd in taking a view of what forces they are able to draw into the Field, that they may be in readiness upon all occasions, and 'tis believed they intend at the general Assembly to appear on horseback in their Arms.

Other Letters inform us that all the Greater *Proland* is already in Arms, and that the rest of the Provinces might in little time appear in the same posture, to defend themselves (as they pretend) against such persons as endeavour by their private Contrivances to disturb the peace of the Kingdom.

Hague, May 17 This Morning His Highness the Prince of *Orange* departed hence intending for *Berg-op-Zoom*, to take a view of the Army which is drawn together neer that place: where are also expected the greatest part of the other Army from their Rendezvous at *Hardenburg*: The *Lunenbourg* forces which lately arriv'd there being ordered into such convenient Quarters in *Overyssel*, that at 24 hours warning they may with ease be drawn together; the Train of Artillery consisting of 80 pieces of Ordnance, with the Ammunitions and other necessaries provided for that Army are to be continu'd at *Zurphen* until a right understanding be fully settled between the States and the Bishop of *Munster*, both concerning the limits of their respective Territories, as also the education of the said Bishops forces to the number to which he is compris'd by the Treaty of *Cleves*. The States have order'd the speedy return of the Heer *Amstronghen* from *Munster*, but 'tis believed that Billop will in few daies send thither his Deputy, for the better composition of all affairs, and to Treat of a League between both parties.

The Sieur *Ulloa* Resident from the King of *Portugal* is still here, but under an Arrest for Debts contracted by him; Order is given for the sheathing of 12 of our men of War besides the Fleet already order'd out, designed for some long voyage. The Fleet will be in few days at sea, in order to the security of the peace. The Squadron of *Amsterdam* lying ready at the *Texel*; That of *Rotterdam* halting also forwards with all convenient diligence, the Soldiers and Mariners going daily aboard their ships.

The Heer *Lampadius* Resident from the Duke of *Lunenbourg*, is departed hence for *Cologne*, to be present there at an Assembly of the Princes of *Germany*, which is to be held there.

Some disputes have lately happened in *Ouvrissel* about the place for the Assembly of those States; some of them repairing to *Swolle*, others to *Campen*. The Heer *Van Salslick* is lately arriv'd here from that Province, to give an account to the States General of this Contest, and some speedy order will be taken to reconcile them.

Portsmouth, May 10. On Wednesday last a ship of *Amsterdam* laden with Wines, Prunes and Oyls from *Bourdeaux* was wrack'd upon the *Needles*, but the men saved and a great part of the lading.

All the ships which were at *Spithead* are sail'd for the *Buoy in the Nore*, only the *Ree-Buck* remaining bound for *Guernsey*. The *Dragon* being ready to put out of the Harbour is detain'd by an Accident; one of the men endeavouring to pick out the shot out of one of the Guns with an halfe Pike, the Gun fired, killing two men, wounding three others, and disabling her main Mast. The *Tork* and *Ruby* may sail with the first fair wind.

Newcastle, May 10. Here are lately come in at several times about 160 sail of light ships which are all lading, and may in little time return for the south parts.

Portsmouth May 12. On Sunday last a Spanish man of War arriv'd here in nine daies from *Vigo* in *Spain* with 400 men aboard her bound for *Flanders*, and having taken in water and such provisions as they wanted, went yesterday again to sea; another ship which came out in company with the former, with the like number of men, was separated by storm, of whom they had no farther account; they affirm that *Don Juan* is now at *Corunna* with 6000 men, and that four ships lie ready there to put to sea.