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Swansey, May 14.

ON Monday last two ships mistaking their course, came into this road, where they are now waiting for a fair wind; one of them the *St. John of Ostend*, a small Fregate of 8 Guns, bound homewards with 4 or 5 Companies of Spanish Foot, taken in at *Vigo* in *Gallicia*; the other a Merchant ship of *London* from *Marjailles*, with Merchant Goods, bound for *Amsterdam*.

Plymouth, May 15. The 12th instant came in here a Man of War called the *St. Ignatius*, Vice-Admiral of *Flanders*, with 550 souldiers aboard him, which were taken in at *Vigo* in *Gallicia*, and bound for *Ostend*; with him came thence in company the *Salvadore* Fregate, the Admiral, and one other, called the *Conception* of *Barcellona*, from the same place, with 700 men a piece aboard them, bound likewise for *Flanders*; but were three dayes before separated, one of them having sprung a leak; having at their departure left Don *Fern* at *Corunna*. This day arrived here a Merchant ship of *London*, laden with Tobacco from *Virginia*.

Deal, May 18. This day arrived here the *Tyger* a French Man of War of 40 Guns, having the day before had a dispute about 2 leagues to the westward of *Dover* with two Men of War belonging to *Ostend*; one of them of 30 Guns, commanded by Captain *Cary*, the other of 12 Guns; they engaged about 10 in the morning, exchanging two Broadfides, and great quantities of small shot, after which they parted, the French having received some damage in their Rigging, which they are now repairing; and in the fight lost four of their men, whereof one a Lieutenant and Son to the Captain; whose body is brought on shore and buried in this Churchyard, and about 10 others hurt, whereof 4 is supposed to be in much danger.

Lisbon, April 20. The Cortes or Parliament continue still together, and have made several Proposals to the Prince Regent for the settlement of Affairs; but as to their desires of his taking upon himself the Title of King, his Highness has given them his fidal Answer, that he is fully resolved not to accept of it, during the life of the King his Brother.

Proposals have been made by them for the raising of 300 thousand Crowns a year, for the maintenance of 6000 Foot, which is the proportion they intend to keep in Garrison in time of peace; and to fix an imposition of one Re upon every pound of Flesh and Fish, and as much upon every Quartill of Wine which shall be spent within the Kingdom, for repa-ration of their Fortifications. They propose likewise the Continuation of the *Decima* for a year longer, for the discharge of those Debts which lie upon the Crown; but to ease the people of all other Taxes whatsoever. The Foot which are to be continued, to be commanded by six Colonels, without any Field or General Officers, and such care taken for the method of paying them, that the moneys shall immediately passe to them from the Countries where they are raised, without any trouble to the Exchequer. The Horse which are now in service, to be immediately disbanded; and the horses distributed amongst the Countrey Gentlemen and Farmers for their own use; but upon condition that whensoever it shall be required, they shall upon the first summons furnish out the like number of horses fit for service.

The 15th instant the Prince and Queen left the *Alcazars*: the Prince going to his Apartement in the Pallace,

and the Queen to Lodgings prepared for her at the Marquis *de Castel Rodrigo's* Houle, formerly the place of Residence to the Prince; from whence a Gallery is made to the Pallace, for the convenient passing of one to the other.

The Marquis *de Marialva* is preparing for his Embassy to *Madrid*, and the Condé *de Prado* for his journey to *Rome*, under the same Character of Ambassadour. Don *Rodrigo de Meneses* having left the Court with some dissatisfaction, is again remanded by the Prince.

From *Brasile* we have advice of the arrival in the Bay there of two very considerable Ships from the *East Indies*; which may in probability be expected here in *June* or *July* following. By them were brought Letters from the Vice-roy of *India*, giving an account that being on his way from hence to *Goa*, upon the Coast of *Persia*, he met with two ships from some of the Islands of *India*, one of them having on board a Princess intending for *Metcha*, with Jewels, Gold and Silver to the value of a Million of Crowns, which she designed as an Offering to *Mahomet*; both which ships he seized and carried with him to *Goa*, expecting a considerable Ransome for the Princess.

Venice, May 12. We are daily expecting the Confirmation of the News brought to us by the way of *Legorne*, of a happy Victory gained by our *Armata* against the Turks; which we are the rather induced to believe, because of the arrival here of a Vessel from *Smirna*, which informs us that in the Gulf of *Meteline* they discovered a great number of the Turks Gallies, which were making all the speed they were able, to passe for *Canea*, with forces and provisions for the succour of the Grand Visier; and that the next day they met with our Admiral *Moresini* cruising near *Scio* with his Gallies, Galeasses, and about 16 Men of War, who upon the News of the approach of the Turkish Fleet, made all the sail he was able to engage them; and that the same night they heard a great noise of Cannon, by which they supposed he had engaged them.

Our last Convoy sailing with a fair wind, may in few dayes arrive where they were intended; and care is taken to fit up and lade several other ships with provisions, *Granado's* and *Morra-pieces*, which we hope may prove very serviceable against the Enemy.

From *Dalmatia* we are told that the General is carefully employed in visiting all the considerable places under his Command, where he has made some changes in the Garrisons, and reinforced *Cissa*, *Spalatro*, and *Cattaro*, which were most subject to the violence of the Enemy; in the mean while the Turks lie still, but give out, that they expect daily the arrival of a considerable force from *Bosnia*; with which they intend to take the Field, and attempt upon some of our Garrisons; and by their incursions to revenge themselves for the damage they have frequently received from the *Morlachs* and *Haydukes* of *Cattaro*, who have in strong parties made divers Visits to their Quarrets, returning with much booty.

Several Coraies from *Dulcigno* have been lately at sea, chasing the Christians Ships, and taking some small Vessels with Passengers, which the General taking notice of, has ordered several of his armed Barques with two Gallies, to put to sea after them.

From *Candia* we are advised that two ships laden with provisions from *Soria* intended for *Canea*, were by storm near *Giera Pistrá* in that Island forced on shore and broken to pieces, many of the Turks aboard them cast away; but several Venetian ships coming to, some numbers of the

Turks

Turks were taken and made slaves, and a considerable part of the lading recovered.

A Tartan from *Corfu* advises us that several Privateers belonging to this Republick, *Malta*, and other places, had joyned themselves together in the Gulph of *Rhodus*; and seized on 12 Turkish Saicks laden with Provisions intended for *Canea*.

Here is lately arrived in this City a new Nuncio from His Holiness Monseignor *Trossi*, but is at present entertained privately and *incognito*, till his Train can be provided for his publick Entry; his Predecessor in that employment Monseignor *Bravaccio*, has taken his leave of the Duke and Senate, and is departed by the way of *Padua* for *Rome*.

The season having been of late very wet and stormy, the Duke was thereby disappointed of his intentions of performing the usual Ceremony upon *Holy Thursday* of espousing the Sea at *Lido*, and has therefore deferred it till next Sunday.

The Senate being informed that the Design of the Grand Visier to attempt Gallies, being discovered by a Greek, and consequently a glorious Victory obtained for us by his means, have in recompence thereof, ordered him a Pension of 50 Ducats a month.

Hague, May 24. The 21th instant arrived here the Heer *Van Beverningh* from his Employment as Plenipotentiary from the States General of these United Provinces, to assist at the Treaty at *Aix la Chappelle*; who the next day attended the Assembly with a particular account of what had passed in that his Negotiation. We with some impatience expect the mutual exchange of the Ratification of the Peace between the Two Crowns, the time prefixed for it being near upon expired.

The Marechal *Wurtz* continues still here, and has not yet taken the resolution of view: the Leaguer at *Berg-op-joom*, from whence his Highness the Prince of *Orange* is lately returned; the late Rains having so spoiled the Moor upon which they were to have drawn up, that he could not have the satisfaction of being present at the exercising of them.

Don Francisco de Melo Ambassador Extraordinary from the Crown of *Portugal*, has given in a Memorial to the States, desiring one of their ships to transport him from thence; which the States have readily granted him, and given Order to the Admiralty to furnish him: he intends in few days to take his leave in order to his Imbarcation.

From *Cologne* we are told that the differences between that City and his Highness their Elector, grow daily wider, in so much that they have proceeded to the burning of each others Placaerts. The French forces quartering in *Limburgh*, give not a little jealousy to that City, where the Burgers have taken the best order they are able for their security; having instead of 3, commanded 8 Companies to be constantly upon the Guard. The Elector has required five of the principal Citizens to be delivered up to him, laying several Crimes to their Charge; but the Citizens not thinking them guilty, have refused to give them up.

From *Aix la Chappelle* they write that the French who are quartered in *Limbourg*, commit several outrages in the Countrey, and come daily in considerable numbers into *Aix*; but Monsieur *Colbert* assures them they have no intentions against that place. About 1200 French Horse and 800 Dragoons, are lately marched by them, 'tis said, to take up their Quarters in *Gelderland*.

Here is lately arrived the Prince of *Tarent* from his Government of *Hertogenbosch*. Several Officers belonging to the Lunenburgh forces, are lately come to see this place; where are also met the Deputies of the Admiralty. 'Tis said Order is now given for 18 Men of War of considerable strength to be speedily fitted up and sheathed for a long Voyage.

The States have nominated several persons for their Deputies to take a view of the Fleet now riding at the *Texell*, and to hasten them out to sea.

They have also given our lately several Commissions to

Officers appointed to command the Lunenburgh Forces lately arrived.

Brussell May 25. Yesterday arrived here the Ratification of the Treaty of Peace from *France*: whereupon a Council was immediately called to consider what was to be done in order to the Publication thereof, which ('tis said) is to be solemnly performed on Monday next.

However the French still keep us busie by their frequent allarums, having the last night killed one of our Sentinels. This morning all our Cavalry are Ordered to draw together near the Suburbs.

Paris, May 25. Monsieur *Colbert* is by His Majesty ordered to leave *Aix la Chappelle*, and to repair to *Cologne*, to be present there at an Allemby of the Princes of the *Rhine*.

The Ratification of the Peace is now arrived in the form desired by *France*, conformable to what was Signed at *Aix la Chappelle*, and 'tis believed by to morrow it may be Exchanged, and a day assigned for the Publication of the Peace.

Bruges, May 27. The Duke de *Crequy* is by Order from His Most Christian Majesty, retired with his Army from these Quarters, and withdrawn within the limits of the French Garrisons. By an Express from the Marquis de *Cassel Rodrigo* to the Marquis de *Salazar*, we are informed that *Don Juan* embarked the 17th instant, and consequently may suddenly be expected at *Ostend*.

Tarmouth, May 18. On Friday last the *Speedwell* and *French Victory* set sail out of this road, intending for *Ireland*, to guard the Fishing upon those Coasts. On Saturday last came in a ship of this Town from *Amsterdam*; having passed thorow the Dutch Fleet riding at the *Texell*, consisting of 25 Men of War; who intended the last Friday to put to sea for the *Downs*. About 50 sail of laden Colliers have within these two wayes passed thorow this road to the southwards.

Portsmouth May 19. On Sunday last the *Revenge* and *Dragon* went out of this Harbour, and the same Afternoon two great Spanish Men of War full of souldiers, passed by *Spithead* to *Flanders*; the headmost having the King of *Spain*'s Flag at the Mizzen topmast-head, the *Dragon* fired a Gun at him to strike, which he not doing, immediately fired a second, and a third through him, whereupon he struck, furled his Flag about his Staff, and so stood his Course.

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ALL persons retailing Wine without License in any Countie in England not farmed, are advised either themselves, or some for them, to repair unto the Wine-License Office, situate in *Durham-yard*, *London*; And to agree with his Royal Highness's Commissioners, for License to sell and utter Wines by Retail. And all Persons retailing Wine within the County of *Cornwall*, *Devonshire*, (Cities of *Bristol* and *Exon*) *Cheshire*, *Cumberland*, *Durham*, *Lancashire*, *Northumberland*, *Westmerland* and *Yorkshire*, which are the Counties farmed, are also advised to repair unto, and agree for Wine-Licenses with the respective Farmers, or their Agents, who are for that purpose (or very suddenly will be) in each of the aforesaid Counties; whereby all Retailers of Wine may secure themselves from Charge and Trouble which otherwise will ensue.

Mr *Ogilby's* Lottery of Books opens on Monday the 25th instant, at the Old Theater, between *Lincolns-Inn-Fields* and *Vere-street*; where all persons concerned may (if they please) repair to take a View of the Volumes, and put in their Money.