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Falmouth, June 8.

THe 6th instant arrived here the *Indian Merchant* in 10 weeks from *Jamaica*, bound for London, informing us that the Plantation there is in a very prosperous and thriving condition. The same day came in also two great French Ships of about 300 Tuns a piece from *Haure de Grace*, belonging to the Grand Partie and bound for *Rochelle* to lade Salt; and one other ship belonging to the Bank intended for *Diepe*.

Newcastle, June 9. Since the going out of the Laden Fleets, are arrived here about 80 sail of light ships, and about 50 more are put into *Sunderland*.

Lisbon, June 2. The French forces which were during the late War with *Spain*, employed here in the service of this Crown, on the 29th past embarked upon four French Men of War and about a dozen Merchant ships, which have been some weeks attending for them; the next day the Count de *Schomberg* went also aboard, and yesterday set sail for *France*, but intending to make some little stay in *Casceyes Road*.

The Cortes having taken into their consideration the necessary expences which must of necessity fall upon the Crown for the maintenance of forces in convenient Garrisons during the time of Peace, have consented to raise yearly the sum of 400 thousand Crowns by a Land Tax, for the defraying of that Charge; with which the Prince has declared his satisfaction; and 'tis believed the Cortes may in little time be dissolved.

Don *Rodrigo Meneses* and the Duke de *Cadavall*, who for some time had retired themselves, have upon the Princes Letters returned to the Court. The Officers of the Army which were lately discharged from their several Commands; with the Governours of several dismantled Garrisons, have honourable provisions made for their better subsistence, to their great satisfaction; and much care is taken for the resettlement of the Trade of this Kingdome.

Leporne, June 4. The 30th past arrived here the French Fleet, consisting of 12 Men of War, 2 Fire-ships, and one Hoy, commanded by the Marquis de *Marcell* their Vice-Admiral, wearing his Flag; and was first saluted by the Castle with 5 Guns, which he returned with the like number: after which the Castle gave him 5 more with 12 Chambers, which he answered again from his own ship: they give out that they expect new Orders here, and that the Gallies may be also suddenly expected.

From *Florence* we are told that the young Prince of *Tuscany* intends to spend some more time in viewing foreign parts, and is inclined particularly to visit *England* and *France*.

From *Candia* they tell us that the Turks Army daily increases, as does also the strength of the Venetians; so that we may shortly hear of action; the Visier being resolved to employ all his art and industry against that City.

Hambourgh, June 8. The Field-Mare *Wrangle* is now said to be arrived at *Wolgast*, where he may continue some few days, and from thence pass into the Duchy of *Bremen*, where he is earnestly expected by the souldiers, hoping at his return to receive the arrears of pay which are due to them. We are here full of discourse of a Treaty of Alliance which is on foot between the Emperour and King of *Sweden*, for mutual assistance in case any attempts shall be made on either of them.

The *Hanse Towns* having lately assembled themselves by their Representatives or Deputies at *Lubeck*, so med there a Defensive League; by which they oblige themselves inter-

changeably for their mutual succors and assistance; so that if any one City be attempted, they are to proceed for the defence thereof, by a common stock and publick interest. The City of *Dantzick* being invited into the League, sent no Deputies to this Assembly, nor are they yet entered into it.

From *Vienna* we are informed of the arrival there of the Popes Nuncio Monseignor *Pignatelli* from *Poland*, and of a Courier from *Silva*, to inform the Court of their fears least the Duke of *Savoy* might be employed to serve the French Interest in their Invasion; but 'tis hoped the late Peace agreed on by both Crowns, will ease them of their fears, and assure them of the repose of that Countrey.

They farther tell us that the Visier of *Ofson* has by a Chiaus which he employed to *Raab*, made some complaints of a party of fourscore Hussars, who fell in upon the Turkish Quarters about *Wallam*; killing several Turks upon their place, and carrying off a great drove of their Cattle with other plunder: which complaint of theirs, has by the Lieutenant General *Montecuculi* been communicated to the Emperour, with his desire that care may be taken for the speedy punishment of those Hussars, to the Visiers satisfaction, and the prevention of all future disturbances of that nature.

Brussels, June 15. Here are daily arriving fresh souldiers from *Spain*, with divers Persons of Quality, who embarked themselves in company with them; some of them to take Commands in the Army, others intending to have served only as Volunteers under the Command of Don *Juan*, who is day expected by the Marquis de *Castel Rodrigo*, and till whole arrival, or notice to the contrary, he intends not to disband any considerable part of the Army; many of the Spanish souldiers have been lately found to have deserted their Colours; of whom some have been lately apprehended, and two of them shot to death for an example to the rest.

The Count de *Thun* having Letters lately brought him with the ill news of the death of his Brother the Cardinal of that Name, he seems much afflicted with the loss of so great and near a Relation; since which the Nobility of this Court have been with him to make their accustomed Complements of condoling with him.

Hague, June 17. Yesterday arrived here from *Begeop-zom*, the States Deputies appointed to take a view of the Army at their Rendezvous near that place, and are this morning to give the States an Account of their forces which are since retired to the Quarters appointed for them, and Marshal *Wurtz* gone from thence to *Mastricht*, from whence we are told, that the French Forces are retired from *Limbouurg* towards *France*, and have freed all the Country of *Guelderland* from their apprehensions, but not without the payment of 80000 Rixdollers, for which they obliged themselves to the Duk of *Luxembourg*, and have since borrowed of a Canon of *Liege* to redeem those Hostages which were engaged for the payment thereof. The French Souldiers have left many marks behind them of their being in those parts, the people having suffered much by their Rapine: nor has the Country under the Jurisdiction of these States been altogether insensible of their neighbourhood, the Officers not having been able to prevent the insolenes of their Souldiers; but having promise to satisfy for the damage done by them, the *Rhingrave* has summoned all such as have suffered by them, to bring into *Mastricht* a true account of their losses, in order to their reparation.

Bruges, June 20. The Spanish Souldiers which lay in great