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Plymouth, August 21.

**O**N Wednesday last sailed hence the *Sweepstakes*. Yesterday in the morning Sir Thomas Allen with the Fleet under his command, sailed before this Port to the Westwards, only the *Leopard* came in here, intending to put to sea again with the fifth fair wind.

*Deal, Aug. 22.* Yesterday a Danish ship of about 60 Tuns laden with Deals, Fagots, and some Skins, bound for London, ran on ground upon the Northland-head near the Goodwins, the Skipper and the rest of her men made their escape in their Boat, leaving the ship as lost, several boats were sent from His Majesties ships to her assistance, who have secured her Anchors and Cables.

*Deal, Aug. 24.* Yesterday morning above 40 sail of Merchant ships sailed thorow the Downs, outwards bound, most of them for the *Streights* and *West Indies*.

*Bristol, Aug. 22.* No ships are lately arrived here, except only one small Spaniard, laden with Oranges and Lemons. Several ships lie ready for the *Streights* and *West Indies*, expecting only a fair wind. The *Edgar* is riding in *Hungerford*, sitting up with all convenient haste.

*Naples, Aug. 7.* On Thursday last arrived here a Courier Extraordinary from Spain, with Letters from that Court to the Viceroy, informing him of the publication of the Peace with France, both in Madrid and other parts of Spain, with Orders to publish it also in Naples, which was accordingly done the Saturday following with the sound of Trumpets and beat of Drums, the Discharge of all the Great Guns from the Fortresses, and several Volleys from a Squadron of Spanish foot, which were for the greater solemnity drawn up before the Palace, and three evenings together spent by the Princes and Nobility, with Lights and Fireworks.

The same Night sailed hence 10 Gallies, with 5 Tartanes with 2000 Spaniards, Italian, and German Soldiers, and a proportionable quantity of Ammunition for *Sardinia*, to quiet the Commotions of that Island; but in a little time after their departure arrived a Feluca from *Cagliari*, with advice, that the disturbance was over, and all things again in peace and quietness, whereupon a Feluca was immediately fitted out to recall the Gallies, which on Sunday in the Evening returned again into Port, and are now in readiness to set sail for the *Levant*.

*Legorn, August 13.* This week arrived here the *Mercantile Delight* from England and Spain, and in 21 days from *Alexandria*; in her way she met with three men of war of *Argier*, who commanded her Captain aboard, which he refusing, and putting his ship into a posture of defence, the Turks went off without any farther disturbance.

The 10th instant arrived the *Royal Defence* in 33 days from *Constantinople*, and yesterday the *Katherine* from *Zante* and *Messina*.

Some other ships arriving from *Smirna* and *Cyprus* in Tortus, that some of the Venetian Fleet being before the Port of *Gira Petra* to oppose the Turks in their passage, to the relief of the *Vilker*, were suddenly evacuated by a much larger Squadron of men of War from *Barbery*, with whom they entered into a rude Fight, which continued for some hours; in which time two of the Turkish ships were sunk, and two of the Venetians fired; but in the end the Christians having the encouragement of two great ships of 60 Guns apiece, which came seasonably to their assistance, the Bar-

barians were forced to quit the Fight with much damage and a considerable loss of men.

They tell us farther, that the Turks had raised their Batteries before the Port of *Candia*, by which they much obstructed the Entry of all ships into the Town, and by their artificial Fireworks so inflamed the Port all the night, that their Cannoniers could without difficulty discover any ships that endeavour'd to get in.

The Cardinals Palace at *Florence* is preparing for the Entertainments of Queen *Christina* of *Swedenland*, who is expected there in *October* next.

*Venice, Aug. 17.* The Senate have thought fit to make choice of *Signior Alessandro Molino*, Captain of our Fleet in the *Levant*, to succeed in the Dignity of General, have ordered his return, to take possession of his New Charge, and have chosen *Signior Tadio Morosini* to succeed him in the Fleet, who is preparing for his departure, and may sail the beginning of the next month.

*Signior Gerolamo Battaja*, who was lately chosen to succeed in the Charge of General of our forces in *Candia*, is on Wednesday to embark on a great ship that is waiting for him; many other ships are to sail under his Convoy, with Men, Provision, and Ammunition in great plenty, and the sum of 200 thousand Ducats in money for the use of the Garrison in *Candia*; with him go also several Persons of Quality upon their private accounts as Volunteers, to signalize their Valours in the defence of that place.

Two ships arrived here this last week, one from *Zante* the other from *Smirna*, both of them upon Merchants accounts, telling us that as they passed near *Candia*, they heard great shooting, which gave them occasion to believe that the Turks were attacking the Fortifications of that place. They farther say that in *Smirna*, *Soria*, and *Alexandria*, several Christian ships were impressed by the Turks to carry succours to their Army. That the Captain Bassa was at *Rhodes* with a Fleet of 45 Gallies, having disarmed 7 others which he found to be unfit for Service, and disposed of the Slaves to supply the defects of his other Gallies; that he had 6000 Soldiers aboard him, intended for the recruits of the *Vilker*; but having intelligence that our Fleet lay cruising about the Island in expectation of him, he has not yet thought fit to put out to Sea.

Our Ships meet frequently with considerable Prizes going for *Guinea*. They have taken lately two great ships laden with Guns, with above 50 Turks aboard them, and near *Santa Pelagia* one other full of men with a lading of provision for the Turkish Army; all which were immediately sent into *Candia*, where the Garrison having great abundance of all necessaries, have on several occasions shewed eminent proofs of their Valour upon the Enemy, who nevertheless continue the Siege with much obliquity, having given of late many furious assaults to the Our-works, and endeavoured what they are able to ruine the Fort de *Sabonera*, which has been as stoutly defended by *Monsieur de St. Andre Montbrun*, who in return has sallied out upon them, beating them off with extraordinary Slaughter.

Some few days since departed hence four ships for *Dalmatia*, with Orders to take in there 400 Foot, with several Necessaries for the Succours of *Candia*.

*Dantzick, Aug. 18.* The preparatory Diet for *Prussia* has been held at *Graudenz* with much quietness; but as the States in their Assembly have had great apprehensions of the many difficulties and oppositions which may be occasioned by His Majesties intended Resignation, so are they resolved to labour what they are able to persuade His Majesty to