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Alicant, September 20. N.S.

THE last Week appeared off this place three French Men of War, of 60 to 70 Guns, with a Fireship; They took a Fishing Boat, and detained the Men about 3 hours on Board, and then released them; They Examined them chiefly concerning the Fleet commanded by Admiral *Ruffel*, and the Fishermen informed them that they passed by this place to the Westward about 10 days ago. This day Admiral *Ruffel*, with all the Fleet, is passing by to the Eastward, with a strong Wind at S. W. And an English Frigate is now coming in. P. S. The whole Fleet is just now come to an Anchor in this Road; And we are told, that Rear-Admiral *Newill* will sail to-morrow with a Detachment of the Fleet, to look after the French Men of War that are abroad.

Rome, October 2. The French Cardinals, who endeavoured all they could to hinder the Pope from granting his Bulls to the Elector of *Cologne*, for the Bishoprick of *Liege*, are very much dissatisfied, now they find they are dispatched and sent away: And 'tis said that the Cardinal *de Fowbin* has publickly declared his discontent on this occasion. The Pope has ordered some men to be raised privately for the reinforcing his Troops in the Dutchy *Ferrara*, in order to prevent the Germans from taking any Winter Quarters there. The Minister of the Duke of *Savoy* continues to solicit the Revocation of the Decree lately made by the Inquisition here, against the Edict his Royal Highness has published in favour of the *Vaudois*.

Genoa, October 2. Yesterday arrived here an Express from Senior *Salvago*, who was lately sent by this Senate to the Governor of *Milan*, to adjust as well the business about the selling of Salt at *Final*, as the Contributions that are demanded for the Imperial Troops in *Italy*; And 'tis said that he has at last Accommodated these Matters. By a Vessel from the Coast of *Barbary* we are advised, that the Algerines continued the Siege of the City of *Tunis*, and that *Mahomet* Bey was endeavouring to raise new Forces for the Relief of it.

Turin, October 8. Several Conferences are now held about settling the Winter Quarters, and so soon as that is done, the Army, which is still encamped at *Chivas*, will separate. The *Mareschal de Catinat* is preparing for his return to the French Court, to give a particular Account of the state of things on this side. Here is a report, that 6000 Germans are to enter into the Pay of the King of *Spain*, and that they are to serve the next Spring in *Catalonia*.

Venice, October 9. A great Convoy will part from hence the next Week for the *Levant*; but of the 1000 new raised men which were designed

thither, 500 are now ordered to *Dalmatia*, where the Turks are drawing their Forces together again, and give us reason to believe that they are preparing for another attempt upon *Ciclut*. By a Vessel come in 14 days from *Zante*, we have Advice, that General *Molino* continued with the Gallies of this State on the Coasts of the *Morea*, to be ready Assit to the Venetian Troops that are Posted there, in case the Turks should endeavour to enter into that Country during the absence of the Captain General, who is gone with the Fleet and Land Forces to make some attempt upon the Enemy in the *Archipelago*: The last Letters the Senate received from him, are dated the 31th of *August*, near the Island of *St. Andros*, where he was repairing the damage his Ships had sustained by a violent Storm; and after that, would endeavour to meet the Turkish Fleet, which he heard was ordered to sail from *Constantinople* to *Techies*.

Vienna, October 9. The Enemies Retreat from *Peter Waradin* furnishes people here with matter of much discourse as well as satisfaction; The advantage they seemed to have by their being so much superior to the Imperial Army in number, did at first mightily encourage them, and produced several Resolutions at their Councils of War to attack our Camp, but when they came to put them in execution, the good posture they found our Troops in to receive them, and the strength of our Intrenchments, made them look upon that design as impracticable; and at last, the Sickness which the cold and wet Weather had brought into their Army, and the divisions among the Principal Commanders, obliged them to decamp. The Imperial Army suffered likewise by the great Rains, and the Enemies continuing there some time longer, would have put them under great inconveniencies. Some Parties of Imperial and Radzien Horse, were sent out to harass the Turks in their march, which the Vizier hastened back towards the *Save*: And some Letters say, he had already repassed that River with his whole Army; which is very much disheartned by a success so contrary to what they had proposed to themselves during this Campaign; And 'tis said, That the Tartars are gone home, and that the Cham has sent great complaints to the Port against the Viziers Conduct. The Letters from *Croatia* give an account, that the Ban or Vice-Roy of that Country, had drawn all his Militia together, who met at their Rendezvous about the 26th of the last month, and on the 27th or 28th, he designed to begin his march towards the River *Culpa*, in order to some Enterprize against the Enemy; In the mean time, Lieutenant Col. *Kiba* had made an Incurtion, with 4 or 500 men, into the Province of *Bosnia*, where he had taken and burnt a small Castle, and plundered divers Villages, and brought back with him

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