

Whitehall, July 19. 1695.

This Afternoon came in the Mail from Holland of Tuesday last, and brings the following Advices.

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From His Majesty's Camp before Namur, July 25. N. S. 1695.

AT our last Writing it was thought, that Monsieur *Montal* would have besieged *Dixmuyde*, having taken the necessary Posts for it; but by the great Care of the Prince of *Vaudemont*, the French have been disappointed in their Designs, both upon *Dixmuyde* and *Neuport*, in the last of which Places they expected little or no Garison, so that Monsieur *Montal* made the greatest haste he could thither; but finding the Duke of *Wirtemberg* and Sir *Henry Bellasjse* in the Neighbourhood with a considerable Body of Troops, he marched back, sending his great Cannon to *Dunkirk*, and he is thought to have rejoined the Mareschal de *Villeroy*, who is in constant Motion, and was yesterday about *Harlebeck* near *Courtray*.

The Prince of *Vaudemont* continues to observe him in his Camp at *Ostacker*, where 'tis believed the Duke of *Wirtemberg* and Sir *Henry Bellasjse* may have joined him again by this time. The Earl of *Atblone* was yesterday Encamped by the Village of *Aubay*, from whence he intended to march this day to his former Camp at *Pont a Selle*.

Yesterday the Horses were sent from hence for *Mechlin*, to bring hither the *Flanders Artillery*, in which are 8 whole Canon.

We have 11 Batteries playing upon the Enemy, (besides 4 at the *Brandenburg* Attack) five of Mortars, and 6 of great Guns, most of which are employed in battering 2 Baillions on each side *St. Nicholas* Port, where a considerable Breach is already made. This Work is separated by a wet Ditch from the ancient Wall, within which the Enemy have likewise made a Retrenchment.

Casal is surrendred upon Conditions; one whereof is, That the Fortifications of the Town and Cittadel shall be demolished.

Hague, July 26. The Letters from *Flanders* say, that the Count de *Montal* is retired from before *Dixmuyde*, which the timely care of reinforcing the Garison, and the opening the *Sluces*, has secured from any attempt. The Mareschal de *Villeroy* had at the same time a design upon *Nieuport*, but the Prince de *Vaudemont* having sent Sir *Henry Bellasjse* with 12 Regiments that way, prevented it, and the Mareschal de *Villeroy* returned towards *Rousslaer*. They write from *Madrid* of the 7th of July, That a Regiment of 1000 Men were arrived at *Barcelona* the 24th of June, New-Style; and that the 25th, the Transport Ships, which had on Board the Troops from *Final*, appeared off *Barcelona*. Admiral *Russel* continued on the Coast of *Provence*. The *New-Spain* Fleet would depart from *Cadix* about the end of July.

Paris, July 23. The Letters from *St. Malo* of the 17th inform us, that the Enemy began to Bombard the Town the 15th, and continued to do so all that day; We do not yet know all the particulars of the damage we have suffered; The Inhabitants were in a great Consternation, and most of them retired to the Country, and they reckon that half the Town is destroyed. They write from *Marseilles* of the 12th, that the last News they had of Admiral *Russel* was, that the contrary Winds had carried him to the Gulf of *Palma* in *Sardinia*. The News is confirmed, that the Garison of *Casal* has capitulated, and that the Town and Cittadel are to be demolished. We are in great pain for *Namur*, and they say, there is a misunderstanding between the Mareschal de *Boufflers* and Count de *Guiscard* the Governor.

Frankfort, July 20. The two Armies continue in the same Camps you had an account of in our last; The French have sent their Baggage over the *Rhine*, and are laying two Bridges over that River near *Ketch*; but their Army will hardly be able to pass it, without giving us an opportunity to fall upon their Rear.

Vienna, July 13. The last Advices from *Hungary* say, That the Imperial Army was marching towards *Peter-Waradin*, and we conclude they are by this time near that Place. They write from *Transilvania*, that General *Veterani* is marched with the Forces under his Command towards *Caransebes*. The Letters from the Turkish Frontiers tell us, the Grand Signior was on his march towards *Sophia*, and would be at *Belgrade* about the beginning of August.

Turin, July 12. Our Troops before *Casal* having pushed on their Attacks with great vigor, the Garison hung out a white Flag the Ninth Instant, and desired to Capitulate; Hoitages were given accordingly, and the Articles of Surrender were agreed on. Those of most importance contain, That the Fortifications of the Town and Cittadel shall be razed; And that so soon as that can be done, the Garison shall march out with their Arms and Baggage, 12 Pieces of Cannon, two Mortars, and several Wagons, and be conducted to *Pignerol*; The rest of the Cannon, with the Provisions of War, is to be left behind, whereof the Duke of *Savoy* is to have two Thirds, and the Imperialists and Spaniards the other Third. The Siege of this important Place lasted but 13 Days, and during it we lost not above 80 men, besides wounded. 'Tis believed, the Allies will undertake some new Enterprize before the end of the Campaign. Our Cavalry is Encamped at *Burlesque* and *Demont*, and the Spanish Horse at *La Vesilans*.