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Cadiz. August 28. N. S.

THE 20th of this month arrived in this Bay 14 English Men of War, and one Dutch, with two Fire-ships, having under their Convoy the *Reward*, the *Expedition*, the *George*, from *Scanderoon*; the *Chandois*, the *Crown*, the *Concord*, the *Richard*, from *Smirna*; the *Ruby*, the *Jacob*, the *Bonadventure*, the *Prosperous Africk*, from *Zant*; the *William and John*, from *Galipoli*; the *Robert and James*, and the *Burton*, from *Alicant*; two Dutch Ships from *Smirna*, and one from *Venice*: And yesterday they all failed again for *England*, together with several other English and Dutch Merchant-ships, Danes, Hamburgers and Genoufes; being in all about 50 Sail.

Barcelona, Aug. 30. On the 16th of the last Month arrived here 5 Dutch Men of War, with several Victuallers from *Cadiz*, who failed again the next day to joyn the Fleet before *Palamos*. The 20th came in the *Carlisle* and *Plimouth*, from *Legborne* and *Genoua*, having taken near *Thoulon* a French Ship of 14 Guns, laden with Sugar from *Martinico*. The 23d arrived several Dutch Men of War and Transport-ships, with 4000 Soldiers from *Flanders*, who landed here, and are gone into Quarters of Refreshment. Admiral *Russell* having received Advice that the French were fitting out their Fleet at *Thoulon*, sailed the 27th towards the Coast of *Provence*, after having thrown above 1500 Bombs into *Palamos*, which destroyed greatest part of the Town, and killed many of the French. The Marquis *de Gastanaga* has drawn off the Spanish Forces from before *Palamos*, and, by our last Advice, was encamped about two Leagues from that place.

Madrid, Septemb. 7. Yesterday an Express was dispatched from hence to *Cadiz*, with Orders for the departure of the Galeons; which is believed will accordingly sail about the end of this month. The Garrison of *Ceuza* is still closely besieged by the Moores. We have Advice, that on the 23d past, in the evening, a Flash of Lightning set fire to a Magazine of Powder in the Town of *Almeida* in *Portugal*, which blew up the Castle, and totally destroyed the place, with above 300 of its Inhabitants.

Corunna, Septemb. 17. The Spanish-Expedition Packet-boat arrived here the 13th, in 8 days from *Falmouth*; and the day before came in two

Dutch Privateers from the *Streights*. From *Lisgo* of the 9th Instant they advise, that the *Bonadventure*, *Robert Walle* Master, arrived there the 8th from *Newfoundland*.

Legborne, Septemb. 5. We have Advice from *Messina*, that the *Essex* Man of War, Captain *Wright* Commander, with the two French Prizes, the *Content* and *Trident*, sailed thence the 26th of the last Month, to joyn the Fleet.

Venice, Septemb. 9. A great Convoy will be ready to sail for the *Levant* by the beginning of the next Month. We have received Letters from *Constantinople* which give this Account, The Sultan has made great Alterations since his coming to the Government, all the chief Officers who were advanced by his Predecessors, *Solyman* and *Achmet*, being strangled or banished; the late *Visier*, who had the Reputation of a prudent Man, and the fittest in the Empire for that Office, was deposed and strangled, being accused of having had some private Meetings with the principal Officers of the *Janisaries*, in order to hinder the Grand Signior's going into the Field; and his Body was exposed for two days at the Gate of the *Seraglio*, with all the Marks of Ignominy; and the Seal (which is the Badge of this Employment) was given to *Mahomet Bassa*, who was Page to Sultan *Mahomet*. The *Mufti* was deposed, and *Fessoula Effendi* put into his place, who has a great share in the Management of the publick Affairs. *Hafsan Bassa*, who was Bassa of *Scio* when taken by the Venetians, is made *Caimacan* of *Adrianople*; and *Osman*, Bassa of *Cyprus*, *Caimacan* of *Constantinople*. The Captain Bassa is disgraced, and that Office given to *Mexxomorto*, who commanded the Turkish Men of War in the late Fight against the Venetians: The Fleet he is to have under his Conduct this Summer will consist of 33 fighting Ships, 10 whereof belong to *Argiers*, and 3 to *Tripoli*, and 20 Gallies. The Grand Signior decamped from *Adrianople* the 10th of *June* and will move by short Marches to *Belgrade*: His Army is composed of about 80000 men.

Vienna, Septemb. 10. By the last Letters from *Hungary*, the Grand Signior was encamped near *Temeswaer*, and the Elector of *Saxony* near *Betsch*: The former seemed to have a design against *Transilvania*; and to prevent it, the Imperialists would continue their March to joyn with General *Veterani*, who on his side advances to meet them. Their Imperial Majesties