

Whitehall, May 22. 1696.

The Mail from Holland of Tuesday last is come in,  
and brings the following Advices.

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Hague, May 29. N. S.

**T**HE King at his Arrival at LOO,  
was attended by all the Gentry of  
those Parts, and Complimented  
by the Ministers from the Elector  
of Bavaria, and other Princes. The 27<sup>th</sup>.  
His Majesty went thence to Dieren, and on Sa-  
turday next His Majesty intends to go by Bre-  
da to the Army near Ghent, which His Ma-  
jesty has deferred till then, that the Forces  
may be all drawn together against his Arrival.

The Army commanded by the Elector of Ba-  
varia, is Encamp't at Park-Abby near Lou-  
vain, and the Brandenburg Troops were ex-  
pected yesterday at Diest, in their march thi-  
ther.

The Marechal de Villeroy lies between  
the Rivers Schelde and Lys. And the Ma-  
reschal de Boufflers between St. Amand and  
Heppeny; his own Quarters at Fleureus,  
not having with him above 20000 Men; his  
design seems to be only to destroy the Forage;  
and he has caused several Bridges to be laid  
over the Sambre, to facilitate his retreat,  
when he sees it necessary.

They write from Paris of the 15<sup>th</sup> of May.  
That the Toulon Fleet arrived at Brest, the  
16<sup>th</sup> of this Month, N. S. They were 40 days  
in the Mediterranean, before they could pass  
the Streights, by reason of the contrary Winds,

and have lost a great many Men by Sickness,  
and two Captains.

Francfort the 24<sup>th</sup> of May, The French Ar-  
my commanded by the Marechal de Choiseul,  
passed the Rhine at Philipsburgh the 19<sup>th</sup> instant,  
with about 10000 Horse and 15000 Foot, and  
Encamp't at Bruchsal, to destroy the Subsistence  
of the German Troops in those parts. The Con-  
federate Army is Encamp't at Steppach, near Eppin-  
gen, where Prince Lewis of Baden arrived the 22<sup>d</sup>.  
The Forces of the Landgrave of Hesse march  
towards the Lower Rhine.

Hamburg. The Troops which the Duke of  
Holstein has put into the Service of the Alleys,  
being 2500 Men, are on their march, together  
with the Lumenburgh Troops towards the Rhine.

Vienna, May 16. The Imperial Forces march  
to their Rendezvous near Buda, and the Elector  
of Saxony will be going thither in 7 or 8 Days.

Turin, May 15. The French Forces lie in 3  
bodies near Aiguebelle, Modene, and St. Jean de  
Morienne; there is still much Snow upon the  
Ground which hinders their marching into the  
Plains. The Forces of the Allies Encamp near  
Carignan, where they will be all together in 2  
or 3 Days; and on the 20<sup>th</sup>, intend to march  
to Poncalier. The Duke of Savoy has ordered all  
the Peasants of Piemont to take Arms, to annoy  
the Enemy, by Attacking their Parties and Men,  
that they are scattered, to whom they did much  
mischief the last Year.

The Letters from Madrid of the 11<sup>th</sup> say,  
The Queen-Mother of Spain was very Ill, and  
a report comes from France, that she is Dead.

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