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By the Lords-Justices,

A PROCLAMATION.

Tho. Cantuar. J. Sommers C. S. Devonshire.
Godolphin.

WHEREAS by Proclamation bearing Date the Eighteenth Day of May last, We did Declare, That convenient Notice should be given by Proclamation of the time when the Parliament should Meet and Sit for the Dispatch of Business; We have therefore (with the Advice of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council) thought fit to Issue this Proclamation, hereby Declaring and Publishing, That the Parliament which is now Prorogued to the Twentieth Day of October next, shall on the said Day Meet and Sit for the Dispatch of divers Weighty and Important Affairs. And all the Lords: Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses of the House of Commons, are hereby Required and Comanded to give their Attendance accordingly at Westminster, the said Twentieth Day of October next.

Given at the Council Chamber at Whitehall the Twentry fourth Day of September, 1696. In the Eighth Year of His Majesties Reign.

At the Council-Chamber in Whitehall, the 24th of September 1696.

PRESENT

Their Excellencies the Lords-Justices in Council.

THE Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury having this day Represented to Their Excellencies the Lords-Justices in Council, That they having furnished New Money at the 11. 10. Five Mints in the Country, with Directions that it should be Applied to satisfy such Persons as should bring in Clipp Silver or Plate (according to a late Act of Parliament) after the Rate of Five Shillings eight Pence per Ounce, (to wit, for Clipp Silver as soon as it is brought in, and for the Plate as soon as it could be Effayed and reduced to Standard) And having appointed Persons of good Credit at the respective Mints to Pay the said Rate upon the T. ing, Weighing, and actual Receipt of the said Money, and upon the Recording, Melting and Standarding of the said Plate, and to Register the Deficiency of the Clipp Money; And finding that this Provision gives great Ease and Satisfaction to the several Counters, and that considerable quantities of Clipp Money and Plate have been already brought into the several Mints, It is this day ordered by Their Excellencies in Council, that the said Lords Commissioners of the Treasury do take care to furnish the said Persons with a further Sum sufficient to Exchange and Pay the R. compense for all such Clipp Silver and Plate as shall be brought to them, and which they shall deliver in Specie into the several Mints before the 4th day of November next. And the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury having likewise moved Their Excellencies (at the desire of several Merchants who have considerable quantities of Gold Bullion, which they cannot Export by reason of the present Course of Exchange without great loss) that liberty might be given to Coin the said Gold, they offering to do it at their own Charge, Their Excellencies are pleased to approve thereof, and to order that the said Lords Commissioners do direct the Officers of the Mint to receive and Coin any Gold Bullion that is brought to the Mint, after the first day of October next, the Proprietors paying the Charge of Coinage. And Their Excellencies

were also pleased to direct, that this Order should be Published in the Gazette.

RICH. COLINGE.

Venice, Sept. 14. N. S. We have received no News from our Fleet, since the account we had of their sailing from Porto-Porto, towards the Archipelago. From the Venetian Camp before Dulcigno they give an account, by Letters of the 28th inst, that a considerable Breach being made in the Wall of the Castle, General *Delfino* ordered an Assault to be given on the 18th inst with 450 Men, who met with such difficulties that they did not succeed in it. The 19th the Turks came with 6000 Foot and 600 Horse to succour the place, and encamped very near us, and the 21th attacked both our Wings, the Fight lasted about an hour, and the Turks were repulsed, and retired to their Camp, having lost many of their Men. The Venetians went on with the Siege, and prepared a great Mine, which being ready, was sprung the 24th, but it had not the effect proposed; upon which, and the Advice the General received, that the Turks were reinforced, and intended to attack us again, it was resolved in a Council of War to re imbarck the Troops; and accordingly the 25th in the Evening they began to Ship the Horse; The 26th in the morning the Enemy came and attacked our Right Wing both with their Horse and Foot, but we beat them off twice, killed a great number of them, and took 10 Colours, and the Son of one of their Bassa's Prisoners. This Success giving the Venetians new Encouragement, they changed their Resolution of raising the Siege, the Troops that were Embarked landed again, and they went on with their Attacks; which so disheartened the Turkish Army that on the 28th they marched away in great disorder; and 'twas believed the Town would not hold out many days longer.

Turin, Sept. 18. On the 15th Instant the Contract of Marriage between the Duke of Burgundy and the Princess of Piedmont was signed by the said Princess in the Chapel of the Palace, the Duke and Duchesse of Savoy, with the Princes and Princesses of the Blood being present, as also the Popes Nuncio, and the Marquis de Toffe, who was lately sent hither by the French King; and the young Princess was thereupon treated with the Title of Duchesse of Burgundy. The same day Count *Mansfelt*, the Emperor's Minister, received an Express from Vienna, and had afterwards, together with the Spanish Resident, Audience of the Duke of Savoy, and a long Conference with the Marquis de St. Thomas his chief Minister, concerning the proposed Neutrality for Italy, which not being accepted, his Royal Highness went hence the next day to command the French Army, and Count *Mansfelt* returned to Milan. On the 15th the Marschal de *Casinar* decamped from Villa-Nova near Casal, and having passed the River *D'isa*, entered into the Spanish Territories, and advanced by two days marches to *Satirana*; where the Duke of Savoy arrived the 17th, and was received with a noble discharge of all the Artillery; and the day following the Army would march again, in order to besiege *Valence*. The Army of the Ali's marched the 9th of this month from *Candia*; encamped that day at *Satirana*, the 10th at *Frescarole*, the 11th at *Pieux del Cairo*, and the 12th at *San Nazaro*, where they continued on the 15th, but intended to march on to *Parvia*, and encamp there, to observe the Enemy; In the mean time they had put most of their Foot into *Valence*, and other Garisons; intending so soon as the French are engaged in a Siege, to draw together again the Troops from all the other Places, and endeavour the Relief of that Attack'd. The Duke of Savoy has given the Government of *Pignerol* to the Marquis de Sr. Pierre, who went thither two days ago to take possession thereof; The French say, they will in few days begin to demolish the Fortifications of the Town, but intend to keep the Citadel in their hands till the General Peace, and consequently will remain Masters of both. The Marschal de *Casinar* has left a good Body of Horse and Foot at *Casal*.

Madrid,