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Leghorn, May 27. N. S.
A Vessel is arrived here from *Marseilles*, the Master wherof says, the French Gallies were ready to put to Sea. By a Bark from *Tunis* we are told, that they are fitting out there two great Ships, to be sent to the Turkish Fleet. The *Mary-Rose*, Capt. *Thomas Rogers*, is arrived here from *Galipoli*.

Venice, May 31. The Pope's Gallies intend to depart from *Civita Vecchia* the 5th of the next Month; and are to join the Gallies of *Malta* at *Messina*. A great Convoy may be ready to sail hence the next week for the *Lewant*.

Madrid, May 29. Their Catholick Majesties are both very well again, and have been several times abroad this last week to take the Air. The Count de *Harach*, the Emperor's Minister, arrived here two days ago. Yesterday was brought hither 55000 Pieces of Eight from *Cadiz*, which came in the Flota, for the account of the King of *Spain*. Several Expresses have been dispatched hither by the Viceroy of *Catalonia*, to acquaint the Court with the Enemies Motions, and that he had drawn together the Spanish Forces, which make a Body of 12000 Foot and 4000 Horse; A Regiment of 800 Men was arrived at *Barcelona*, from *Final*; and the old Regiments of *Costa* and *Granada*, of 1000 Men each, were daily expected from *Malaga*. This day came in Letters from *Barcelona*, dated the 25th of this Month, which give an account, That the French Army assembled near *Gironne*, about 28000 strong, and that they had provided all things necessary for a Siege: 'Tis believed their design is upon *Barcelona*; and the Inhabitants have thereupon removed their most valuable Goods, and the Governor has sent away all the ablest People, and put the Place in a Posture of Defence. On the 11th Instant arrived at *Malaga* a Boat sent Express from *Melilla* with advice, that 14000 Moors were come before that Place, which they thought to have taken by Surprise, and in order thereunto Scaled an Outwork, but were discovered and repulsed by the Spaniards, who in this occasion had 11 Men killed and 100 wounded; what Loss the Moors sustained is not yet known. Three Spanish Gallies departed from *Carragena* the 10th of this Month for *Malaga*, and in their way thither took a French Privateer of 12 Guns; and a Moorish Pink with 40 Men. A great quantity of Provisions and Ammunition have been sent hither from *Malaga* to *Barcelona*; and more Forces are ordered thither by Sea. The Slaughter Galley, Capt. *Kear*, arrived at *Cadiz* the 12th Instant from *Alexandria*. And on the 16th the *Montague* Galley from *Genova*.

Coruma, June 8. The 31th of the last Month came in the Spanish-Expedition Packet-Boat, and this day the Spanish-*Allyance*, from *Falmouth*. The 22th past arrived here the *Elizabeth* and *Catharine*, *Thomas Leron* Commander, and the *Speedwell*, Capt. *James Moulton*, (who came out with the *West-India* Fleet) the first bound to *Barbadoes*, and the other to *Nevis*; and sailed again the next day. On the 30th past were seen off *Cape Prior* 14 sail of great Ships standing to the Westward; which are supposed to be the Squadron commanded by the Marquis de *Nismond* and the Sieur *Magnon*.

Dantzicke, June 4. The Queen Dowager of *Poland* continues in this City; The last Letters from *Warsaw* say, there had not yet passed any thing of moment in the Dyet, they staying for the Arrival of the rest of the Nobility; and that in the mean time the Friends of Prince *James* had every day greater hopes that the Election will fall upon him.

Vienna, June 1. The Resolution holds to Besiege *Bihars* on the Frontiers of *Croatia*; The Troops commanded by the Governor of that Province are on their march for this purpose; and the Place will be Invested this day; The Imperialists believe they shall be soon Masters of it; seeing, the Turks, who did not suspect any such design, have not put any Reinforcement into the Town, or taken any Measures for it's Relief; The Garrison consists but of 700 Foot, and 200 Horse; and there will be 7000 Germans and 15000 *Croatians* employ'd in the Siege. The Imperial Forces continue their march to the Rendezvous between *Baya* and *Veris Marton*; and a great many Vessels are continually passing down the *Danube* laden with Provisions and Ammunition. The advices from *Constantinople* of the first of *May*, say, the Turks were sending 4000 Men of their best Troops, and commanded by their most Experienced Officers to assist the *Tartars* against the *Moscovites*.

Coningsberg, June 4. On the 28th of the last Month the 3 Ambassadors from the Czar of *Moscovy* arrived here; They were by Order of the Elector of *Brandenburg* received about a mile out of Town by the Commissary General *Danhelman*, and the Master of the Ceremonies, and Conducted hither in the Elector's own Coach, followed by a great number of other Coaches, and attended by his Electoral Highness's Officers and his Guards; on the 31th the Ambassadors had Audience of the Elector, and the first of them acquainted his Electoral Highness, that the Czar had sent them to confirm the Friendship and good Correspondence which for many Years has been established between their respective Dominions, and to thank his Electoral Highness for the Ingeniers he sent the last Year to the Siege of *Asaf*, where they did very good Service; That from hence they were to go to the Emperor's Court, to regulate Matters about the further Prosecution of the War against the *Turks* and *Tartars*, and desired his Electoral Highness to be assisting to them in their Journey; and then they made the Elector a Present of several Furs and rich Persian Silks; The Elector having returned their Compliment, they were reconducted to the House where they Lodge, and splendidly Entertained. Yesterday they visited the Sieur *Danhelman*; at night saw a fine Firework; and in few days they intend to proceed on their Journey to *Vienna*.

Frankfort, June 9. The Confederate Forces, which are to act on the *Upper Rhine* this Summer, will be all joined together in 3 or 4 days; and by that time Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* is expected in the Army. The French Army under the command of Marschal *Chusseul* march towards *Mentz*; and it's believed they will post themselves at *Neder Ulm*; The Troops of the Allies, who had formed a flying Camp at *Sinzingen*, are ordered to pass the *Rhine* near *Mentz*, and to Encamp in the Neighbourhood of that City.

Cologne, June 11. The Forces of *Hanover*, *Zell*, *Hesse*, and *Munster* continue their march towards *Brabant*, part of them have already passed the *Rhine* at *Bon* and *Lintz*, and the rest will do so to morrow, at *Newit*, *Mulheim*, and other convenient Places. Two Regiments of Horse and two of Foot of the Elector *Palatin's* Forces are ordered to march to the *Upper Rhine*.

Hamburg, June 11. We had an account some days ago that the Danish Troops and Artillery were actually marching to attack the 3 Forts which the Duke of *Holstein* re-fortified the last year; and this day advice is come of their having Invested the *Halmer Seans* with 4000 Men. On the other side, the *Garison* have Orders from the Duke to defend themselves to the last, and the Sluyces are opened to put the Country thereabouts under Water. The *Suedes* do much concern themselves in this Affair, and are resolved to assist the Duke: They are fitting out a Squadron of Men of War; and 8 of their Regiments are ordered to march. At the same time the Ministers of several Princes do employ their Offices to compose this Difference between the King of *Denmark* and Duke of *Holstein*.

Paris, June 10. An Officer, dispatched by Marschal *Catinat*, arrived here the 7th, with an account that the Garrison of *Ath* Capitulated the 5th, and was to march out the 7th. But this News occasions no Joy among the People, who look upon it as an Action of little Honour, and to take so small a Place with such great Armies; and would much rather hear of a Peace; For whatever Face things may have at Court, the Misery encreases in all the Provinces of this Kingdom, to a degree that cannot be expressed. The Letters from the French Army in *Catalonia* of the 30th past, told us, they were advanced to *Saloni*, and from thence would continue their march towards *Barcelona*; The Spanish Forces were retired thither, and the Prince of *Hesse Darmstat* with 3000 Horse cover'd their Rear; The Duke de *Vendosme* detached a Body of Horse and Dragoons to attack the Spaniards, and their was some Skirmishing between them, but they made good their Retreat: Yesterday arrived an Express with Letters an account, That the Spaniards had put 6000 of their best Foot into *Barcelona*, and that the French had possessed themselves of several Posts, and Invested the Town, which at the same time was block'd up by Sea, by 9 Men of War from *Thoulon*, under the Command of the Count d'*Estree*, and 25 Gallies were expected in few days from *Marseilles*.

leides. After the great Expence that has been made in Poland to favour the Election of the Prince of Conti, they begin to fear at the French Court, that Prince James's Party will prevail and obtain the Crown for him.

Brussels, June 12. The Garrison of Ath made as good a defence as could be expected; the French were advanc'd within 8 or 10 paces of the Breach they had made in the wall, which was very large, and they were preparing for an Assault, when the besieged desired a Parley, which was begun the 5th instant in the Afternoon, and three Officers were sent out to Treat. The French pretended at first to make the Garrison Prisoners of War, which the besieged declared they would never yield to; and 'twas ten a Clock the next morning before the Articles were agreed on and Signed. In pursuance of which the Garrison marched out the 7 h at the Breach, with their Arms, Colours Flying, and all other marks of Honour, except Canon, the Count de Roeux their Governor being on Horseback at the head of them; They had Wagons allowed for their Baggage, and the Prisoners released on both sides; but Marechal Catinat caused the Prince de Chimay, and 3 or 4 Officers more to be stop'd, and sent to Valenciennes, upon pretences of Reprisals for some Prisoners detained at the surrender of Namur, for payment of the Debts the French owed to the Townsmen. The Garrison of Ath were to be this night at Dundermond.

From His Majesty's Camp at Promellis, June 13. On the 8th instant the guard that was sent out to cover the Foragers met with a party of 60 French Carabiniers, and 40 Dragons, of whom they killed about 20, and brought in the Captain, two Lieutenants, and 30 Men, with as many Horses. The same day two Regiments of Foot and three of Dragons marched from hence to Brussels under the Command of Brigadier Maitland; and Brigadier Spar is sent with four Regiments to reinforce the Garrison of Audenarde. The Forces of Luxemburg are arriv'd at Maftricht, and continue their march to join us. Divers deserters are come over to us from the French Armies, and particularly several Dragons and Hussars with their Arms and Accoutrements. On Tuesday the French made a Triple Salvo for the taking of Ath; They continue still in their former Camps; The Marechal de Villeroi at Lessines, Boufflers at le Roeux, and Catinat at Grassmont to cover Ath, till they have repaired the Fortifications, and put the place in a condition of defence; His Majesty has been pleas'd to give the Command of the Royal Regiment of Dragons, vacant by the Death of Brigadier Matthews, to the Lord Raby, and the Regiment of Col. Mearns Mackay, to Col. Robert Murray of the Scotch Guards.

Hague, June 14. N. S. His Excellency Sir William Williamson arriv'd here the 10th Instant from Rotterdam, and was present at the Conference at Ryswick on the 12th. The same day the Mediator formally notified to the Congress the Death of his late Master the King of Sweden. The Ministers of the Allies have agreed with the French to lay aside the tedious way of Treating in Writing, and to do it for the future by word of Mouth, by the Mediator, which may very much Contribute to the Dispatch of this great Work. The Fleet of Merchant Ships bound to Spain and Portugal, is sail'd from the Texell with 10 Men of War. Du Bart, it's said, will be ready to sail from Dunkirk about the 18th of this Month. The Lunenburg Troops were to pals the Meuse yesterday at Maftricht.

Newcastle, June 5. The Rotterdam Convoy came to our Bar yesterday, being 5 Men of War, and about 60 sail of Merchant Ships. Yesterday sail'd hence the laden Fleet with 4 Men of War.

Hull, June 5. Yesterday arriv'd here our Rotterdam Fleet, under Convoy of 8 Dutch Men of War, who are gone to the Northward. And just now are coming up our Amsterdam Fleet, being convoy'd by 9 Men of War.

Plimouth, June 6. On the 3d Instant arriv'd in this Port the Lyon of London, William Sexton Master, from Antegoa, who departed thence the 24th of April, and the same day he sail'd, the Colchester Man of War came in from Barbadoes, and gave notice, That Vice Admiral Newill and Capt. Mees were arriv'd at the Barbadoes with a Squadron of 18 Men of War, that they would sail from thence in two days, and call at Montserrat for two Men of War, they believed to be there, and afterwards would proceed with all the Expedition they could so look for the French Squadron commanded by the Sieur Poincy. Capt. Mees joined Vice Admiral Newill at the Maderas, and the former was between 5 and 6 weeks in his Passage from Plimouth to the Barbadoes.

Portsmouth, June 8. Yesterday sail'd from St. Helens the Expedition, Oxford, and Soldadoes Prize, with the homeward bound Merchant Ships for the Downes. The Humber came in the same day, having retaken the John and Thomas of Bristol from Antegoa, and sent her with the German to Kinsale.

Deale, June 8. On the 6th Instant Sir George Rooke with His Majesty's Fleet sail'd out of the Downes to the Westward. Yesterday morning an open Pinace with 9 Men came into the Downes from the French Coast, put on Board a Mackerel Smack,

and carried away the Master to make good the Ransom of his vessel, which Capt. Withart, Commander of His Majesty's Ship the Dorsetshire, having notice of, he sent his Boat after her, who came up with, and took the said Pinace about a League from Deal, and brought her into the Downes; The Men are all Irish except one.

The time for paying in of old Silver Hammered Money at 5s. 8d. per Ounce, for Loans or Taxes being expired, the Commissioners appointed by His Majesty for managing the Lottery on the Mail Fund, pursuant to the Act of Parliament do give Notice, That such Silver Hammered Money, New Money, or Sterling Plate, will be taken in at 6s. per Ounce, till the 24th of this Instant June, by the Receivers appointed,

The Commissioners appointed to take Subscriptions for enlarging the Capital Stock of the Bank of England do give Notice, That no Subscription can be made after the 24th day of this Instant June; and in regard every Subscription requires much time to compleat the same. Therefore if Delays are made by Persons intending to Subscribe, some their Subscriptions.

The Court of Directors of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England give Notice, That a General Court of the Members of the said Company will be held at the Bank on Wednesday the 16th of June Instant, at 10 a Clock in the Forenoon.

Whereas several Persons having Receipts for Loans under the Hand of Sir Leonard Robinson Kt. late Chamberlain of London, deceased, for Money lent to His Majesty in several Funds which prove deficient, may be desirous to subscribe the said Loans to the Capital Stock of the Bank of England, pursuant to an Act of Parliament in that behalf; These are to give notice, That any Person having any of those Receipts, and desiring to make any such Subscription, may bring them to the Chamber of London on or before the 12th day of June Instant, with One Fifth Part of the Subscription in Bank Bills or Bank Notes, according to the Directions of the said Act of Parliament, and Talley and Orders shall be Subscribed for them as Effectually and Carefully as if the Persons having those Receipts had Talley and Orders in their own Possession.

These are to give notice, That at the George at Grays in Essex, a Person is appointed by the Post-Master General for dispersing all Letters coming from London, directed to Grays and the several Towns Five Miles round the same in Essex, three times a Week, the same being directed per Gravesend; and all Letters from those Places being brought to the George at Grays aforesaid, will be sent thence three times a Week also convey'd to London, and all other Places, according to their respective Directions.

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L On the 8th Instant between St. Martin's Lane and Chancery-Cross, a Bag of Writings, with 5 Exchequer Bills of 100 l. No 3831, 3832, 14342, 14343, the other for 10 l. And 2 Books, one of 100 l. the other 75 l. with several other Papers. If any such are offer'd in Payment or on Discount, you are desired to stop them, and give notice to Mr. Roberts, Goldsmith, near York-Buildings in the Strand, shall have 5 Guinea Reward, or proportionable for any part.

The Creditors of John Colville, late of London, Goldsmith, deceased, who were concerned in the Sute in Chancery against some of the Creditors of John Lindsey, Goldsmith, having resolv'd to revive that Sute. All Persons expecting any Benefit thereby, are desired to meet at Manwering's Coffee-House in Faulcon-Court in Fleet-Street, every Wednesday, at 4 in the Afternoon, to Contribute towards the Charge of the Sute, and receive an account of the Proceedings therein.

A Ellen Wagg, alias Wagstaffe, a tall well set Man, aged about 20, in an old brown Coat, a pair of Hair 8 by Breeches of divers colours, an old black Hat buttred up on one side, light Crown Hair, very short and well curl'd, wants a Tooth in the fore-part of his Upper Jaw, and flesh Complexion'd; broke out of Worcester Goal on the 27th of May last. Whoever secures him, and gives notice to the Keeper of the said Goal, shall have 5 l. Reward, and reasonable Charges.

S Tolen or Bray'd out of the Offices of Richard Lester, of Upton in the Parish of Westminster, in Essex, on Sunday the 6th Instant at night, a brown Bay Mare, about 8 or 9 years old, near 15 hands, with a Star in her forehead, wants an Eye on the off side, a white Tail, pitch mark'd with R. L. on each Buttock, and a white Foot behind. Whoever gives notice of the said Mare to Mr. Lester at Upton aforesaid, or to Mr. Thomas Hicks at the Pewter Dish in Loxbury, London, so as they may be had again, shall have a Guinea Reward, and all Charges born.

S Tolen from William Edmeades, of Nauticad-Court, near Gravesend, in Kent, a stout brown Gelding, about 15 hands, with a bob Tail, hath been lame on the near Foot before, the inside of the heel shoo'd long Tail: And a brown Scourie Colt, two years old, 14 hands, with a long Tail. Whoever secures them, and gives notice to William Edmeades aforesaid, shall have a Guinea Reward.