

choose such a person as was a Roman Catholick and well versed in the Affairs and Constitutions of the Kingdom, and to take care that the Soldiers which were numerous about Warsaw might be kept in good Order and Discipline.

The same day they agreed upon an Oath which should be taken by both Houses, and Deputies were chosen to administer it to all the Members, which was the same day taken by all the Senators, and is this day to be taken by the Noblesse, and is to this effect: That without any mental reservation, they should not nominate any person for King for whom or by whose Order they had received any gift or promise; that they have not pursued any private interest of their own or any other; but should only aim at the publick good; that they should name such a person as they should judge most worthy of the Throne; that they should pronounce any obligation which they might have formerly made and that they should not nominate any person who either during the Reign of the late King or since his abdication had by any unlauefull way endeavoured to obtain the Crown.

Hague, May 3. Here lately arrived the Heer Rockwood Envoye from the Prince El Tor Palatine, who was on Friday last admitted, with the usual Ceremonies to his Audience, in which he in a Latine speech assured the States of the real intentions of the Prince his Master to continue a right understanding and good correspondency with them, acquainting them farther with the Orders he had freely to communicate to them the true state of his Affairs in reference to the disputes he has lately had with some of the neighbouring Princes, offering the States, that if they please to interpose for the compofure of all differences between them, he should willingly accept of their Mediation, and freely put his concerns and interests into their hands; the said Envoye has since taken his leave of the States and is departed hence, intending in few days to pass the sea for England.

He is lately arrived in post from Paris a son of Monsieur L'Esprade, late Ambassador from His Most Christian Majesty to the States of these United Provinces, but as yet 'tis not known upon what Errand.

Yesterday the Prince of Orange gave an honourable entertainment to the Zealand Deputies at his house at Hoenfardick; the Negotiation of the said Deputies, with those from the States of Holland are not yet finished, but 'tis believed may in few days come to a good issue, especially upon the Affairs relating to the Chamber of Justice, for which purpose the said States have appointed an Assembly on Thursday next, both for putting an end to this Affair which has been so long in agitation; as also to come to some resolution about the fitting out our men of War, and the recruiting of our Regiments.

Yesterday also was an experiment made of an invention of one *Adriande la Croix*, to make a piece of Ordnance to sling a Bullet farther with half the quantity of Powder then has been usually observed with the full proportion allowed; and to give a greater report then with the full Charge.

The same day Monsieur de Pomponne went privately out of the Town to Riswick, where he was entertained by the States Steward; which ended, and all his Train in readiness, he began to set forwards towards his publick Entry, being received about half a League from the Town, and attended into it by the Heers *Buorsma* and *Vander Hotck* the States Deputies, before him went the Master of his Horses, followed by 8 Pages, and after them 6 Gentlemen all on horseback, in an excellent equipage, then followed the Master of the Ceremonies his Coach, after whom came the States Coach, and in it the Ambassador with the Deputies and Master of the Ceremonies, followed by three of his Excellencies own Coaches, attended by a Train of above 40 Coaches of the Ambassadors and principal persons about the Town.

The Magistrates of East-Friesland having had some jealousies of the Bishop of Munster, and received from them several complaints, have given a Commission to the Heers *Cant* and *Vryberghe* to examine the said complaints and to endeavour a Remedy.

The Baron de Kiphuisen is suddenly expected here, with a Deputation from *Enbten* and other Cities of East-Friesland to justify their Complaints.

From Ghent we are informed, that upon an application made by the *Seur Sabourg* to the Constable of Castille, the two malefactors apprehended for the insolency formerly committed by them at *Oudemans*, viz. *Pierre de Thionville*, and *Faques Cordelier* now prisoners at Ghent are ordered to be delivered into the hands of the President of Flandres, but as yet 'tis not certainly affirmed whether they shall receive their trial in Flanders, or be by the said President delivered to the Magistrates of *Escluse* to proceed with them according to Justice.

Paris June 4. Yesterday his Majesty was pleased to be present at the Exercise of his forces at the Port St. Sebastian near St. Germaines, where the whole body was drawn up upon a line, in several battalions, each of them having 2 pieces of Cannon at the head of them, in which posture they gave four Volleys of shot, with as many discharges of their Cannon: the Captains of the Guards in their weekly Turnes performe the Office of Generall, and keepe an open Table.

From Thoulon we are informed that the Gallies are now put out to sea to joyne with those sent out by the Pope for the Reliefe of Candia, and the men of war, intended for the same Expedition lye ready to put to sea with the first faire Wind.

Letters from Flanders confirm to us the news of some action that has happened between the Garrisons of Ghent and Oudenard, informing us that a Party from Ghent having taken a Citizen of the other place, upon a debt owing to some Spaniards, and upon application refused to release him, the Governour of Oudenard Monsieur de Rochepas went out with a party of 200 Horses, and marching towards Ghent, placed 150 of them in Ambuscado behind a hill, sending the other 50 nearer the Town to take Prisoners, which giving an Alarm to the Town, a party of 150 Horse were sent out, upon whose appearance the 50 retreated skirmishing, but closely pursued by the Spaniards, till falling within the ambush, they were so briskly charged, that they were presently disordered, and most of them either killed or taken.

Wymouth, May 26. The 24th instant touched in this Bay a ship passing to the Eastwards, firing 9 Guns, and is supposed to be a ship of North-Tarmouth newly returned from the East-Indies.

Yesterday arrived the *Constance* of this Port from Virginia, telling us of a Fleet of about 40 sail which are passing up the Channel, most of them Dutch.

Deal, May 28. Yesterday arrived in the Downs two ships from the East-Indies, one of them from *Bantam* laden with Pepper, the other from *Suratt* with much Cloath and a quantity of Mace with other Spices. Several other ships are also come into the Downs from the Straights and several Ports of Spain, one from *Lisbonne*, one from *Maryland*, and one from *Morlaix*.

London, May 29. This day being the Anniversary both of His Majesties birth and happy Restoration, was celebrated here with Bells and Bonfires, and all the usual attendants on a day of publick joy, on which his Highness the Prince of Tuscany was pleased to cause a Bonfire to be made in the evening before the Door of his own Lodgings, built upon three stages, distributing a large quantity of Wine amongst the people, and concluding the Evening with excellent Fireworks.

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The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer are come to the payment of the 883 Order in number and Course, Registered on the Eleven Months Tax, and shall proceed to the payment of the subsequent Orders on that Tax as the Money shall come in.

The said Officers have paid the 1143 Order Registered on the Act for 1250000*l.* and will proceed to the payment of the subsequent Orders to that number in course as the remaining Money of that Act and the remain of the first Month of the Eleven Months Tax shall be brought in.