

of the Turks invading that Countrey this Summer; that the Turks had indeed gotten together 16 or 20 thousand men, but of these a great part were immediately disbanded, and of these no small numbers diseased and unfit for service; the rest by an express order from the Grand Signior, commanded to march into *Morea*, and designed to be transported thence into *Candia*, but that their Commanders had but little confidence of any great service that could be expected from them, they being men pick'd up by accident, the dregs of the people, or such as were forced into the war, but none of them experienced soldiers.

From the *Levants* we are told, that the *Vizier* being grown very apprehensive of the succors expected from several parts of the Christian world, was resolv'd to use all his Arts upon the places, and was preparing to give another general assault to the Forts *Sabionera*, *St. Andre*, and *Santo Spirito*, for which he had order'd his Army (which exceeds not the number of 24 thousand men) to be drawn up in three bodies against the respective places, and to make their way the more easie, had from several batteries played for many days upon the Town, and especially upon the Jews Quarter, upon which they had done some execution.

From the same parts we are inform'd, that Father *Ottoman* the Dominican some time since sent by the Pope into Turkey, was lately arriv'd in *Morea*, and was there acknowledged and honourably received by the Greeks, and particularly by those of *Epirus*, hoping in little time to draw some numbers to his party, to which the present distempers through the whole Empire, and especially the great distractions at *Constantinople*, would not a little conduce, from whence we are advis'd, that the Janisaries with their leaders were divided into two factions, though both of them concurring in the same opinion of the necessity of choosing some other person to succeed in the room of the present *Sultan*.

The Noble *Francisco Duodo*, who is to command the Convoy of 12 ships, that lie ready to sail for the relief of *Candia*, has taken his leave of the Senate, and is embark'd, intending to sail with the first fair wind.

On Monday last were musterd and enter'd into pay several of our new raised Companies, and afterwards sent aboard the Convoy designed for *Candia*.

*Brussels, June 11.* On Friday next the Constable of *Gaselle* intends to begin his journey from hence to *Antwerp*, and from thence to take a view of the Forts and Garrisons under his Government.

We talk here of a reformation of several abuses of this Government, according to the method already began at *Madrid*.

The Commonalty or Assembly of nine Nations have had frequent conferences about the Constables demands, but have not yet resolv'd anything to his satisfaction; they seem to press much for the liberty of the place, and that they may be freed from the Spanish Garrison, and left to their own defence.

*Paris, June 12.* The Fleet of men of War designed for *Candia* are not to put to sea till the 15th instant, when 'tis believed they may set sail, notwithstanding the doubts made by some persons to the contrary, upon the account that the Spaniards have excus'd themselves from the service, and have found other employment for the soldiers designed for this expedition.

The Drums are daily beating here and in other places of this Kingdom for soldiers, which are not to pass under the notion of new Levies, but only of Recruits.

Some bodies of Horse and Foot are marching towards the three Bishopsricks of *Metz*, *Toul* and *Verdun* upon the Frontiers of *Lorraine*, where they sometimes are guilty of some disorders, and thereby give the *Lorrainers* some occasion of jealousy.

The Bishop of *Meiz*, formerly Arch-Bishop of *Ambrun*, Ambassador to *Madrid*, has lately in a Letter complain'd to His Majesty, that making a Visit within his Diocels, he was forbid by the Protestants to enter into several of their Temples.

On Friday last, an Order was sent into *Flanders* to put a stop to the selling of Wood upon the Estate of such persons as were confiscated for refusing to live upon their said Estates lying within the jurisdiction of His most Christian Majesty.

His Majesty being unwilling to break up his Camp at the Fort *St. Sebastian* near *St. Germans*, though much visited with several diseases and distempers, has commanded that all the sick soldiers be removed thence to such places where they may be attended and recovered, but 'tis believed the heats of Summer encreasing, will also augment the maladies and constrain him to dismils them.

From *Madrid* we are advis'd by the Ordinary, that *Don Juan* is not yet satisfied with the new Regiment of Guards which is much advanced, and had written to the Queen Regent upon that subject.

Later Letters arriv'd by an Extraordinary, bearing date the 1 instant inform us, that some commotion had lately happened in that City, the people shewing themselves much inclin'd to favour the interest of *Don Juan*, but were in little time appeas'd.

*Ten months, June 1.* This week arriv'd five sail of French Ships and four of this place, laden with Salt, as also a Pink of this place from the *Sireights*, the Master of her informing, that on his return homewards, he met with an Algerian man of War which Treated him civilly, but had taken two Genouese Prize; with which he was returning for *Algier*.

*Whitehall, June 5.* Upon several complaints made to His Majesty in Council, of many Carriers, Waggoners, Coachmen, Higlers and other persons carrying Letters from place to place, contrary to the Act of Parliament in that Case made and provided, and the great detriment of the Revenue thereby established, His Majesty was pleas'd to Order that His Proclamation be speedily issued out to reinforce the said Act of Parliament, to the intent that no person or persons but such as are deputed by the Post-master-General shall prepare and provide horses and furniture to let to hire, &c. and that no Carrier shall carry Letters but what import their Goods, and go along with their packs and Waggoners respectively; as also that no Stage Coach, Higler, Foot or Horse-post, or any not being a known Carrier of Goods, shall collect, receive or carry Letters, except what are in the said Act excepted; that all ships-Letters be deliver'd at the first post-stage they arrive at; likewise declaring, that whatsoever Letters shall be sent by clandestine and indirect ways and persons not authorized by the said Act, shall be lookt upon as dangerous in their Contents to His Majesties service and the Kingdoms quiet, and as such shall be opened and inspect'd by His Majesties principal Secretaries of State, or by some one or more of His Majesties most Honourable Privy Council; and the persons conveying them proceeded against according to Law, with several other clauses, as will by the Proclamation it self more full appear.

#### Advertisement.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer are come in course to the payment of the 950th Order Registered on the Eleven Months Tax, and so shall proceed as the Money shall come in.

The said Officers are also come to the payment of the 1144th Order on the Act for 1250000. and shall proceed to the payments of the subsequent Orders so that number as the remains of that Act and the first Month of the Eleven Months Tax shall be brought in.