

There are lately come in at the *Texel* two ships, one of them from the *Feroces*, and the other from *New England*, telling us that on their return homewards, about the height of 45 degrees they met with 4. of our ships which were on their way homewards from *Ceylon* richly laden, their Bills of lading are already teise, and the ships homely expected.

The Deputies from the Company of the *West India* Merchants have at the last obtained from the *States General*, the renewing of their Patent and Priviledges for a considerable time, with permission to make sale to the Duke of *Hanau* of a portion of the Coasts upon the *Wilder parts* of thoe Countreys, consisting of 100 Leagues in length and 30 in breadth.

*Hague, July 30.* The long continued debate between *Portugal* and *Holland* has in the end been referred to the arbitrary Sentence of his Excellency Sir *William Temple*, His Majesty of *Great Brittain*s Ambassador in this place, which he gave in writin about a moneth since to the *Portugal* Ambassador, and *Monfiur de Witt*, who immediately agreed to it by provision; and that (it having since run through all the Provinces, and been fully also agreed to by the Court of *Portugal*) to morrow is appointed for the mutual signing thereof, and so an end will probably be put to that troublesome affair.

The *States* have resolved to send an Ambassador into *Poland* to compliment the King upon his Election to that Crown.

The *Danish* Envoy has frequently complained of the Non-payment of the arrears of Subsidies promised to that Crown, and hath been in person in *Zealand*, who are most defective in their Quota, to expostulate with them in the name of his Master, but for the farther encouragement of the said payment, the *States* have written to the several Provinces in arrear, viz. *Zealand, Guelderland, and Over-Issel* to hasten the payment of their proportions, whereupon, *Zealand* has already resolved to charge a Million of *Florins* to be advanced for that account upon their yearly Rents.

This week the Assembly of the *States of Holland* adjourn'd till *September*.

The Prince of *Orange* had the misfortune in leaping over a Ditch, to hurt his leg, the pain whereof put him into a Fever, but he is again well recovered.

*Paris, July 31.* His Majesty has lately received Letters from the Duke of *Beaufort*, bearing date the 26th of *June* from *La Seprenza*, informing him that his forces were in a very good condition, and by reason of several Volunteers who had offer'd themselves for this service, he had upon the review of the people in his Admiral vessel, found them to consist of 1400 men, whereas he expected only 1200; and amongst them had only four sick men; that he had ordered the *Sieur d'Almeida* to attend at *Evreux* to receive any Ambassador which might be sent from the *Grand Seigneur*. The Duke adding, that he hoped the next day to appear before *Candia*, and from thence to march out and give battle to the Enemy.

It is said His Majesty has lately purchased an Imperial Bie called the County of *Genoa*, in *Italy*, lying between *Savona*, a Town belonging to the *Republick of Genoa*, and *Finale* belonging to *Spain*, where 'tis believed he may erect a strong fortification.

The Duke *Azarin* has resigned his Charge of Grand Master of the *Artillery*. In recompence whereof, His Majesty gives him the sum of 600 thousand *Livres*, and confers the vacant Charge upon the Count *de Lude*, but is as yet reserved to himselfe the disposal of all the subordinate Offices; the Counts former Charge of Chief Gentleman of the Chamber, is disposed of to the *Marquis de Geures*, whom succeeds *Monfiur de Penguilain* in the Command as Captain of the Guards.

The *Sieur Moglier*, His Majestyes President in *Switzerland*, writes that he has endeavour'd by advance of *Monneys* to fix 8 of those *Canon*s to His Majestyes service, but that the *Spanish* Ambassador was powerfully endeavouring to draw them another way; by other Letters from the

same place we are told, that the *Protestant Canon*s were much inclined to dole with an Alliance propoled with *Holland*, and to give them liberty to raise forces within their *Canon*s for the *States* service.

*Paris, August 3.* The Drums are still beating here for recruits for the filling-up of all the old Companies, but no Commissions are given out for the establishment of any new ones.

King *Casimir* is upon his way for *France*, but intends not directly hither, but to pass to *Avignon*, which he intends for the place of his Residence, and tis said he is not a little dissatisfied that he could not prevail for the settlement of his Pensions for his subsistence till he had first delivered up his principal Jewels.

Letters from *Rome* tell us, that they have received advice by the way of *Otranto* that the Duke of *Beaufort* with his Fleet was arrived at *Standia*, a small Island about three Leagues distant from *Candia*, where he left his forces, himself onely putting into *Candia* to take view thereof and to consult with the Officers within the Town about the best method of relieving the place and raising the Siege, but whilst he was taking a view of the Works and Beaches, received a slight hurt in his Arm by a hand-Granado.

From *Lille* in *Flanders* we are advised, that an under Officer of the Garrison having been accused and condemn'd to death for Coining, had offer'd for the saving of his life to make a discovery of the greatest concernment to the *Marquis d'Humieres* the Governour, and accordingly an Officer was sent to him to take his Examination, who immediately affirm'd that at *Douay* were hid in several places some quantities of Daggers and Pistols with other weapons which were to be privately distributed amongst the Townsmen, who had a design to make some attempt upon the Garrison, upon which intelligence he was reprimed till the truth thereof could be more fully examined.

Yesterday arrived here His Highness the Prince of *Tuscany*, and lodges privately incognito at the house of the Count *de Rabat*, the Great Dukes Resident here; His Majesty resolving to Treat him with extraordinary civility, has ordered some entertainments to be prepared at the Court for his diversion, and will for some days defer his journey intended to *Chambourg*.

All the Court is much rejoiced at the great hopes of the *Dauphins* recovery, and the King has particularly given some testimonies of the Joy he receives by giving a Ball to his Court with an extraordinary Treat.

From *Surat* in the *East Indies* we are advised that the Directors of our Merchants Company in those parts, are so farre differing in their opinions about the manner of establishing our Trade there; that in a publick Conference for that purpose, the Contest grew so high, that they began to decide the dispute at Cuffs, notwithstanding the presence and Authority of the *Sieur Caron*, their President, and several *Holland* Merchants who were eye-witnesses of the scuffle.

On Wednesday last in the evening was held a conference before His Majesty with the Chancellour, about the Edict which would take off all affairs from the Cognissance of the Grand Chamber which are under the value of 2, 1000 Crowns, and refer them to the determination of the Chamber of Enquests, which was much opposed by the Kings people, who pleaded that the Chamber of Enquests, which was most concerned in point of Interest, was against that Edict, which tis believed will not yet hinder the passing of the said Edict.

*Tarmouth, July 26.* On Saturday last and yesterday arrived here four ships of this place from *Norway*, one from the *Sound*, and one from *Rotterdam*, about 40 laden ships are passed by to the Southwards and about 140 sail of light ships now riding in these Roads intending Northwards for the Coal Trade. Here also arrived one ship from *Ferry*; and four from *Island* well laden with Fish, who give us an account of the loss of two vessels of this place, one of them at *Ferry* the other at *Island*.