

and two from *Batavia*, one of them is already arrived at *Zeevan*, and another purin at the *Tex*.

Instruct ons a. e preparing for an Ambassador to be sent to compliment the new King of *Poland*, and the Admiralties a. e to communicate what they think fit to be added as to the point of re-establishing Trade and Commerce with that Kingdom.

Bruges, August 3. From *Liege* we are told; that by reason of the great concourse of people thither fr m other places, the Plague is much encreased, but in this place it is wholly ceated, we having at present no greater one then that of the soliders, who render the street so unsafe in the evening, that every day gives us news of everal persons killed and hurt by them.

The Constable of *Castille* continues at *Antwerp*, nor is there any discourse as yet of his removal either from thence, or from this Government, since we are told from *Spain*, that the Queen Regent has writen to him to let him know, that she being not yet resolved of a successor, he should continue his Presence and Government here till farther Order.

The Constable having had some conferences with the Council of State about the inconveniencies of permitting free passage to the French Garrison for their Coal-boats; tis said he has resolved that the liberty shall be for the future restrained, and that if the French attempt to seize them by force, Order shall be taken to oppose them as violators of the peace.

The Marquis d' *Humieres* is gone from *Aeth* to *Querno*, intending also for *Charleroy* to visit the Garrisons and Fortifications of those places.

The contest between the Elector of *Cologne* and *Holland*, about *La Rochette* is not in a better way of agreement then formerly, the Elector being said to have declared, that if the Hollanders shall endeavour to force his Garrison out of the Castle, he shall be obliged to crave the assistance of the French for his succors.

Some Spanish Companies of Infantry are lately ordered into *Conde* and *St. Gillain* for the security of those places.

Paris, August 7. On Thursday last arrived here His Highness the Prince of *Tuscany*, *incognito*, having here as in other places declined the formalities of publick Reception; the same evening he gave a visit to the Dutchess Dowager of *Orleans* at the Pallace of *Luxembourg*, and yesterday went to visit their Majesties at *St. Germain*, by whom he was received with much civility; His Majesty having on this occasion put off his intended journey to *Chambourg*, being willing to shew the Prince the diversions of his Court, and has particularly reserved for his view, the attacke of his Fort *St. Sebastian*.

On Saturday last the Venetian Ambassador received by a Courier, the news, that the Duke de *Beaufort* had put some Companies into *Candia*, but intended not to make any considerable attempt till the arrival of the Gallies with 2000 soldiers, whose presence would be bur necessary for that great work of raising the Siege; as also, that the Gallies arrived at *Cerigo* the 29th past, and passed thence to *Standia*, where the 6th Instant they were joynd with the Fleet, and a Council of War was called to consider of the best means to free the Town from the Enemy; and that the Turks continue their battery with much violence from the Fort *St. Andre*, and some execution upon the Retrenchments, which they have considerably pierced, but that the besieged are endeavouring to raise a new one on the inside, though with little hopes of having time to perfect it.

A Monk of the Convent of the *Mathurines* is lately committed prisoner to the *Bastille*, accused for speaking defamatory words against His Majesty, with some Menaces, and is supposed to be a dangerous person.

At *Rome*, Commissioners are appointed, with the Governour of that City as principal, to examine the two persons some time since committed there to custody, for speaking unreasonable words against the person of His most Christian Majesty,

From *Swisserland* we are told, that our Resident was not admitted to the Favour of ensuing into the Diet, the Generality whereof seem now inclinable to close with the proposals made to them by the Spanish Ambassador, and to accept the security of the Salt-pits in *Burgundy* for the payment of their Penions; they have ordered their Deputies here to press His Majesty for the speedy payment of all their Arreas, and if delayed, to return home.

From *Eourdeaux* we are told, that the Castle *Trompette* is now perfectly finished, and that the Citizens seem much dissatisfied with three great impositions laid upon them,

1. For making a Quay for half a League in length, viz. from *St. Croix* to *Braca's*, the expences whereof as tis calculated, may amount to 600 thousand Liures.

2. For an additional imposit of a Crown per Tun upon Wines.

3. For a liberal Contribution to the *East India Trade* upon pain of losing their freedom.

From *Rochel* they write with as much or more dissatisfaction, that Monsieur *Colbert de Terron* has by the hand of Monsieur *de Vrilliere* received an Arrest of Council, with an exposition of his Majesties late Declaration infinitely to the prejudice of those of the Reformed Religion, His Majesty being unwilling that any thing in his said Declaration shall enervate an Ordinance formerly made by the Intendent of that Province, by which none of the said Reformed Religion are to be permitted to exercise any Mystry or Trade whatsoever.

There is lately arrived at *Port Louis* a Bark from *Madagascar* with several dispatches and advices to the Directors of that Company, acquainting them with the true state of their affairs in those parts, and demanding assistance.

A Courier lately arrived from the Bishop of *Besler* in *Poland*, brings Letters, humbly desiring His Majesties Letters Recommendationary to the King of *Poland* in his favour, which might render him preferable to any other for the obtaining a Cardinals Cap, which is not at all pleasing to His Majesty, as too much preferring his own interests before His Majesties more publick affairs, all things continue as yet in that Kingdome in a perfect peace.

Hull, July 28. This last week sailed hence a Swedens ship for *Stockholm*, fraught with Cloath and Tobacco, and on Saturday last came the *Angel Michael* of *Wismar* with a lading of Iron from *Stockholme*, and several vessels laden with Deals from *Norway*. The same day passed by *Birdlington* to the Northward about 200 sail of light ships, and the next morning a vessel laden with Coals foundered about *Flamborough head*, but the men got all of them safe to land.

London, August 1. On Friday morning last His Majesty, accompany'd by His Royal Highness, and attended by several of his Court, went down in his Yacht to take a view of the Fortifications of *Sheerness*, and having continued two nights on board, returned this morning to *Whitehall*.

Advertisements.

Philibert Beydaels, a stranger lately arrived in England, dwelleth at Brompton Park near Knightsbridge, where he practises the Art or Mystery of Painting and guilding of Leather in Forrest-works, Flowers and Figures, proper for the adorning of Chappels, Dining Rooms, Chambers, Galleries and Closets, with Beauty and Lustre, which will endure many ages, selling them at reasonable prizes.

The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer are come to the payment of the 1751 Order in number Registered on the Act for 1250000 l. and so shall proceed to the payment of the ensuing Orders upon that Act, as the remaining Money of that Act, and the remain of the first Moneth of the Eleven Moneths Taxe shall be brought in.

The said Officers are also come in course to the payment of the 1295th Order, Registered on the Act for the Eleven Moneths Taxe, and will proceed to the payment of the subsequent Orders to that number as the Money shall come in.