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From the Maderas. June 12.

**T**HE *Eagle*, *John Davison* Commander, an *English Merchant Ship* fitted out by *Sir Jeffrey Jeffreys*, is come in here, who the 10th of the last Month, in the evening, about 45 Leagues West of *Lubon*, engaged a *French Ship* of 14 Guns and 8 *Patercoques*, and after a sharp Dispute, which lasted two hours that night, and the next morning, took her, and brought her hither: She proves to be very richly laden, and is called the *Thomas de Granville*, Captain *John Dry* Commander, had 40 Seamen and Passengers on board, whereof one was killed, and the Captain, with 9 of his Men, were wounded. The *English Ship* had the same number of Guns, but had only 32 Men on board, of whom there is not one killed or wounded.

*Basle*, June 30. The Diet of the *Swiss Cantons* is to meet again in two or three days, to consider of the Proposals made by the *French Ambassador* about the Conveyance of Letters from *Alsace* to the *French Army* commanded by the *Marshall de Villars*. Letters from *Alsace* give an Account, that by the Negligence of a *Servant* a great Fire has happened in the *Duke of Burgundy's Quarters* at *Langenscheydell*, whereby all his Baggage and several of his Horses, were destroyed, and the Loss amounts to a very considerable Sum. Letters from *Lyon* of the 22d Instant say, the *Severnois* grow daily more numerous, and have frequently successful *Rencounters* with the *French King's Forces*; That a Party of them came not long since to *Obssargues*, near *Uzer*, and fixed up a Declaration, whereupon 5 Troops of *Dragoons* marched thither the next day to take it down; but the *Maisonnets* having notice of it, a Body of them came down from the Mountains, and fell upon the *King's Forces* with such fury, that not above 30 of them returned home.

*Ratisbona*, July 9. The Imperial Diet met the 5th Instant, and the Electoral College took into Consideration the Project which was laid before them some time ago, for the substituting and better regulating the Army of the Empire, which was finally settled by that College the next day, and will this day be considered in the College of Princes. The Elector of *Saxony* continues with his Army near *Innsbruck*, where he is regulating the Government of that part of *Tyrol*, from which he has already demanded Homage, and a Monthly Contribution of 120000 Florins, besides a great quantity of Provisions and Ammunition. In the mean time he has sent out several Detachments to make himself Master of the remaining Passes on those Frontiers; One of them is now attacking *Ehrberg*, a Place equally strong by Nature and Art, where they have hitherto met with a vigorous Resistance; Another Body of 600 Men, commanded by the Count de *Tauskirchen* and the Count de *Noyon*, endeavoured to seize the Passes in the Mountain of *Ahrlerberg*, and to open a way into the Country of the *Grisons*, but was repulsed with the Loss of 200 Men by part of the Garrison of *Bregenz*, which had been timely posted at *Lauiseg*, at the foot of those Mountains, and had been joined by about 2000 of the Militia and Inhabitants, and were reinforced on the 3d and 4th Instant by part of the *Dragoons of Baireth*, and some *Hussars* from *Bregenz*, lest the Enemy should make another Attempt; A third Party of the *French and Bavarian Troops* has attempted to seize the *Zwister-Metz*, another Pass on the Borders of the *Grisons*, from whence they have likewise been beat back with some Loss by the Country People and Huntsmen, who were

got together there; A 4th has been sent out to clear the Road as far as *Brixen*; but General *Geschewind* has posted himself at *Schnenberg* to disappoint this Design. The *Marshall de Villars* is still in the same Camp near *Dillingen*. Prince *Lewis*, since his coming to *Guedel-fingen*, has made several Motions, and on the 3d Instant came and encamped with his whole Army on a rising Ground over against the *French Camp*, extending from *Hausen* to *Wirslingen*; and on the two days following several Skirmishes happened between the Out-guards of both Armies. A little Detachment of the Troops of *Franconia*, which had been left by the Margrave of *Baireth* to cover the Frontier of that Circle, has taken *Auerbach*, and plundered *Kemath*, which are two *Bavarian Towns* in the *Upper Palatinate*. The Count de *Schlick* is still in the *Upper Austria*, putting that part of *Bavaria* which borders on that Country under Contribution. On the 5th Instant the Regency at *Munich* sent a Secretary to the Town of *Augsburg*, to propose to them either to admit a *Bavarian Garrison*, to deliver up one of their Castles into the hands of the Elector, or to give Hostages for their observing an exact Neutrality; which last Condition it is supposed they will comply with.

*Frankfort*, July 19. The Forces of the Circle of *Westphalia* are advanced to *Wiesbaden*, and are to pass the *Main* this day or to morrow at *Cessheim*, near *Neutz*, in order to continue their March towards the *Upper Rhine*. The 5 Regiments which the King of *Prussia* is sending thither are come within 9 or 10 Leagues of this Place. The *French Army* under the Command of the *Marshall de Tallard* is marched into the Neighbourhood of *Fort Louis*; and we are assured that the *Duke of Burgundy* is gone back to *France*; tho' some Letters say, that he intends, before he returns thither, to cross the *Rhine* at *Fort Louis*, in order to attack General *Thungen*, whose Army lies now encamped over against that Place, to dispute the Passage with the Enemy. This General has received Orders from Prince *Lewis of Baden* to detach 4 Regiments towards the Lake of *Constance*, in order to secure the Passes, lest the *Marshall de Villars* should attempt to make his Retreat that way. Some Advices from *Swabia* say, that *Marshall* being so narrowly observed by Prince *Lewis*, that it is very difficult for him to receive any Supplies of Provisions for the Subsistence of his Forces, has made a Motion as tho' he would march towards *Augsburg*; This may give Prince *Lewis* an opportunity of engaging him, which he would do with a great deal of Advantage, having been joined by the Margrave of *Baireth*, so that he is much stronger than the Enemy. We hear the Elector of *Bavaria's* Forces have taken the Pass of *Ehrenberg* in the Country of *Tyrol*; but that another Detachment of his Army attempting to force that of *Ahrlerberg*, was obliged to retire with the Loss of 100 of his Men killed, and 158 taken Prisoners, in which last number are the Count of *Tauskirchen*, who commanded that Body, a *French Major-General*, a *Bavarian Lieutenant-Colonel*, and a Captain of *Granadiers* of the Elector's Regiment of Guards.

From the Camp at *Vorselaer*, July 16. On the 13th Instant the Left Wing of our Army foraged; their Guard was commanded by the Earl of *Albemarle*, who brought in above 20 *French Prisoners*, who were taken marding and plundering the Country. Yesterday the Count de *Zinzendorf*, the Emperor's Plenipotentiary, arrived here from *Munich*, intending to continue with the Army, as does likewise the Count de *Leiningen*, the Elector Palatine's Minister. The Party of Horse that was sent to attend the Count de *Zinzendorf* met in their way a *French Party* of Foot, of whom they killed 3, and took 12 Prisoners. We heard yesterday in the evening a Noise of great firing towards *Bladenau*, which we suppose to be Monsieur *Coburg's* attacking of Forts of *Beamer* and *St. John*, to open the Communication between the Body of Forces under his Command and the Town of *Halle*.