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Munich, July 23. N. S.

This day the Regency here received Advice, That the Pass of *Scharnitz*, where 300 *Bavarian* Foot were posted, has been taken by the Inhabitants of *Tirol*, who are in Arms for the Defence of their Country, and that the Castle of *Rathenberg* is also fallen into their hands. This has cut off all Communication between us and *Innsbruck*, and an Officer who was sent from hence two days ago with a considerable Sum of Money for our Elector, finding the Passage stoppt, returned hither; whereupon 400 Foot from our Garrison, with two Field-pieces and two Mortars, have been detached that way, in order, as is supposed, to endeavour to regain that Pass. We hear the Elector is still at *Innsbruck*, where he has caused some Money to be Coined, with his own Arms on one side, and those of *Tirol* on the other.

Basle, July 25. Several Engineers, who have been sometime in the *French* Army commanded by the Duke of *Burgundy*, returned yesterday to *Huningen*, from whence it is judged that this Army will not undertake any Siege this Campaign, and we hear that he intends to return very soon to the *French* Court. Letters from *Languedoc* say, an Action happened lately at *St. Felix*, near *Anduze*, in the *Sevannes*, between the *French* King's Forces and the *Comisars*, wherein the former were worsted; That the Malecontents took the opportunity of several Boats coming down the *Rhone*, upon the occasion of the Fair at *Beaucuire*, to send one laden with Arms and Ammunition to the *Protes*, where the Inhabitants are ready to rise and join them; That the Malecontents in the *Sevannes* being entirely Masters of the open Country, the Inhabitants of *Somieres* durst keep open but one of their Gates, for fear of a Surprise, and the like Precautions were found necessary to be taken in several other Places: And that the Marshal de *Montrevel* has left the Command of the *French* King's Forces in those Parts to Messieurs de *Grandvaux* and *Telle*, and is gone to *Catalun*.

Katisborno, July 26. Our last Advices from the Imperial the *French* Armies on the *Danube* are of the 23d Instant; they were then still in the same Camps, and we hear Prince *Lewis* expects the coming up of the Forces of the King of *Prussia* and the Circle of *Wissphalia* before he begins any new Enterprize. A Party of Imperial Heralds, who had for some days been making Excursions in the *Upper Palatinate*, and raising Contributions, was surpris'd the 23d Instant by 200 Dragoons, and as many Foot, detached from the *Bavarian* Garrison of *Amberg*, who kill'd 20 of them, took about the same number Prisoners, and oblig'd the rest to retire. The Elector of *Bavaria* seems resolv'd to push his Fortune in *Tirol*, and to go on with his Design of opening a Com-

munication with the *French* Army in *Italy*: He was to decamp for this purpose from *Innsbruck* with his whole Army the 19th Instant, in order to endeavour to force the Passes of the Mountain of *Brenner*; and Orders were given that there should be publick Prayers, at *Munich* for 9 days together, for a Blessing on this Undertaking. No Letters being come from that Army or from *Innsbruck* by this-Post, we are yet without any Account from thence, whether they did march, as was intended, or what Success they may have met with: But Letters from *Silzbourg* of the 23d say, they have been repuls'd with Loss from several Posts which they had attacked near this Mountain, and that the Elector had sent for more Forces to join him with all possible diligence. They write from *Munich*, That the Elector having left the Castle of *Scharnitz*, a considerable Pass on the River *Iser*, not far from *Innsbruck*, and which secured his Communication with *Bavaria*, under the Care of one Captain *Stain*, 4000 of the Militia and Country People of *Tirol*, part whereof were the same who lately beat the *French* and *Bavarian* Detachment near *Landeg*, came before it, whereupon he surrendered the Place to them, for which he is brought in Chains to *Munich*, being suspected of holding a Correspondence with the Count de la *Tour*, Governor of *Constance*. These Disappointments may perhaps oblige the Elector of *Bavaria* to retire out of the Country of *Tirol*, without tempting his Fortune any farther.

Frankfurt, July 29. The Duke of *Burgundy* is still encamped at *Wiltst*; but some Deserters who are come over from him say, that on the 26th Instant he sent back his heavy Bagage to *Scharnbourg*, and that he intends shortly to repass the *Rhine*: Two Regiments of Horse and a Battalion of Foot marched lately through *Pfalzburg* and *Eltis-Zabern* in order to join him, and 5 Regiments of Horse and Foot more are march'd for the same purpose from *Metz*; yet with these Reinforcements his Army will not be much above 20000 strong, and is look'd upon to be too weak for any considerable Enterprize. Two Regiments of Dragoons march'd the 17th Instant from the Imperial Lines at *Stollheim*, in order to join Prince *Lewis* of *Baden*.

Hamburg, July 31. The King of *Denmark* came to *Rensborg* the 17th Instant, having in his Progress from *Copenhagen* reviewed the regular Forces and Militia of the several Places through which he pass'd: The next day after his Arrival there he reviewed a Regiment of Dragoons which is quarter'd in that Place, and 4 Companies of Artillery-men; The 29th he view'd the Fortifications of that City; and yesterday he review'd 3 Companies of the *Jutland*, and 6 of the *Falson*, Regiments of Foot. Letters from *Dantzick* of the 20th Instant say, the King of *Denmark* had sent a strong Detachment from before *Thorn*, and was suppos'd to observe the Forces of *Russia*.