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Leghorne, October 1. N. S.

ON the 25th of the last Month a *Venetian Ship* arrived here from *London*, but last from *Allicant*; the Master whereof gave an Account, That the Confederate Fleet commanded by *Sir Cloudesty Shovell* passed by this last Place the 11th and the same day Anchored at *Alcea*, about 7 or 8 Leagues above that Port, where having supplied themselves with Water, and what Provisions they wanted, which were brought to them in great Plenty by the Inhabitants, they sailed again the 14th, and on the 16th came off the Island of *Ivita*, where this Ship left them. The Master and several Passengers on board him add, That the People at *Allicant* were disposed to have received the Fleet very kindly if it had called in there. The *Oxford Man of War*, Captain *Norris* Commander, came in here last night from *Sir Cloudesty Shovell*, and the whole Fleet is now in sight of this Place.

Venice, October 5. We have received an Account, That the *French* have seized the Duke of *Savoy's* Forces which were in their Army in *Lombardy*, and that the Duke of *Vendosme* was preparing to march with a strong Detachment towards *Savoy*; whereupon General *Scharemberg*, having been lately reinforced with 5 Imperial Battalions from the Country of *Trent*, was making the necessary Dispositions for taking this Opportunity of putting in execution some considerable Design.

Copenhagen, October 13. The 9th Instant Monsieur *Mureau*, the King of *Poland's* Envoy at this Court, died suddenly of an Apoplexy, which seized him as he was writing his Letters. Monsieur *Schæde*, the *Polish* Resident here, upon notice thereof, went to the said Envoy's House to secure the publick Papers, but found he had been prevented by Monsieur *Plessen's* Secretary, and Monsieur *Summus*, one of the Councilors of the Chamber; whereupon he fell into Expostulations with them, and a Quarrel ensuing, he received a mortal Wound in his Belly, (from whom, is not yet known) of which he died the 11th. Two such sudden Accidents gave occasion to the calling of an extraordinary Council that afternoon, and the King has appointed Commissioners to enquire into the Circumstances of Monsieur *Schæde's* Death. The 12th Instant, being the Anniversary of the King's Birth-day, his Majesty was pleased to declare *Mademoiselle Vierck*, Daughter of the Envoy of *Prussia*, who has been formerly one of the Queen's Maids of Honour, a Countess of this Kingdom, by the Title of Countess of *Laland*.

Vienna, October 10. A Proclamation was published here the 6th Instant by sound of Trumpet, whereby all Housekeepers in this City, and the Suburbs adjoining, are required to furnish themselves with Provisions for a year and a day, to give an Account of all Strangers, particularly those of the *French* Nation, who are lodged and entertained in their Houses, and not to harbour any Vagabonds or idle Persons. Letters from the Imperial Army in *Italy*, dated the first Instant, which came in last night, bring the following Account, which had been confirmed to the Count de *Staremberg*, their General, by several Deserters and Prisoners; That the Duke of *Vendosme*; whether by Order from the *French* Court, or by what Motive is yet unknown, did on the 29th past get the General Officers who commanded the Forces of *Savoy* in the *French* and *Spanish* Service into his Quarters, under pretence of inviting them to Supper, and then caused them to be seized, and put under Arrest. He had given Orders at the same time that part of the *French* Army should surround the Forces of *Savoy*, which consisted of 6 Battalions and 12 Squadrons, who were immediately disarmed, both Officers and Soldiers, and conveyed away as Prisoners, under a Guard, but whether was not yet

known. Their Horses were distributed among the *French* Cavalry. On the 30th the Count de *Solary* arrived in the Imperial Camp with 5 Battalions from the *Trentine*, which were posted at *Leiff. Ho.* on the River *Secchia*. The Marquis de *Barbesfines*, a Lieutenant-General in the *French* Service, who was taken some time ago as he was endeavouring to pass in Disguise by the way of *Switzerland* into *Bavaria*, and has ever since remained Prisoner at *Gratz* in *Styria*, is removed nearer to the Imperial Army in *Italy*, where he is to be exchanged, as is supposed, for the Count de *Wallenstein*, late Ambassador from the Emperor at the Court of *Portugal*, who was taken this Summer on board a *Dutch* Man of War, as he was passing from thence to *Holland*, in order to his return home. General *Herbeville* made himself Master on the 3d Instant of the Town of *Cham*, the Garrison whereof, which consisted of 500 Men, was obliged to give themselves up as Prisoners of War, and the Inhabitants compounded with him for 18000 *Florens*, to save themselves from being plundered; so that *Amberg* is now the only Place possessed by the *Bavarians* in the *Upper Palatinate*. The Regiment of Dragoons of *Schlick*, and a Regiment of Cuirassiers, which were at *Passau*, were to be put into several Boats at *Lintz* on the 7th, and are expected here to morrow, in their way to *Hungary*, where the Disturbances do still continue. The Town of *Seben*, in the County of *Copussa*, towards the Confines of *Poland*, has submitted to the Rebels; But a Party of them that was come into the Neighbourhood of *Esperics*, with a Design to set Fire to the Suburbs, was surpris'd by Colonel *Wilson*, Governor of that Place, who killed 100 of them on the spot. *Berzeni*, one of the Chief in the Rebellion, has seized a Castle named *Pofan*, not far from *Karpfen*, where he found 12 Pieces of Cannon, with which, and those he had taken in other Places, he is now marching, with intent as he gives out, to besiege *Neusaulzel*.

Frankfurt, October 18. The *French* Army continues near *Landau*, ravaging the neighbouring Country in a most barbarous manner, and give Safeguards only against Fire and Murther. It is not believed at present that they will attempt a Siege, but rather that they will endeavour to send a Detachment to join the *Marshal de Villars*, who designs to Winter in *Swabia* and *Wirtemberg*. The Elector of *Mentz* has sent Ammunition and other Warlike Stores to *Landau*, and the Circle of *Swabia* to *Philipsbourg*. The Enemy has forced the Lines of *Neustat* near *Landau*, and has routed the *Palatine* Regiment of *Peklen* which was posted there. Prince *Lewis* continues in his Camp near *Augsbourg*. The *French* Army commanded by the *Marshal de Villars* was encamped the 14th Instant at *Riffissen*, a Convent on this side the *Rher*, and situate on a little River called the *Ros*: They have left but a small Garrison in *Ulm*, the greatest part of the Forces there having rejoined their Army, and they are ruining the Country about that City, as those under the *Marshal de Tallard* do the *Palatinate*. The Count de *Stitzum*, with the Body of Imperial Forces under his Command, about 8000 strong, is encamped near *Bopfingen*, and General *Schuylenberg* has passed the *Danube* with 6000 *Saxons*, who are in the Emperor's Service, and was posted the 14th at *Menger*, not far from *Manderkingen*.

Hamburg, October 19. Our Advices from *Warsaw* say, the Forces of *Lithuania* had passed the *Vistula* near that Place, and were marching to attack a Body of 3000 *Suedes*, who had made a new Inruption into the *Duchy*. The Army of the Crown continued in the *Greater Poland*. It is reported that the *Swedish* Forces which