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At the Court at Windsor, August 8, 1709.

P R E S E N T,

The Queen's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas a number of the poor distressed Protestant Palatines are this Day set out for Chester in their way to Ireland according to the following Rout; Her Majesty, with the Advice of Her Privy-Council, is pleased to Order, That all Mayors, Justices of the Peace, and other Magistrates, be aiding and assisting to them, so that they may be kindly entertained, and civilly used in the several Places upon the Road.

Chris. Mugrave.

Rout the Waggons are to keep.

From London to Barnet	10 Miles.
St. Albans	10
Dunstable	10
Brickhill	7
Foster	13
Daventry	10
Coventry	14
Colshell	8
Litchfield	12
Stene in Staffordshire	16
Nantwich	16
Chester	14

140 Miles.

Whitshall, August 3. By Order of the Right Honourable the Lords and others, her Majesty's Commissioners for receiving and disposing of the Money to be collected for the Subsistence and Settlement of the poor Palatines: Notice is hereby given, That they having determined to send five hundred Families of the said Palatines with their Goods to Ireland by way of Chester, they will allow seven Shillings for the Carriage of every hundred weight to Chester; and will be ready every day at their Committee to contract with any Persons that are willing to be employed in carrying the same.

Notice is hereby likewise given, that all Persons concerned in collecting the Money on the Brief for the Relief of the said Palatines; are hereby required to collect the same by a Book or Books, marked and signed by the Minister and Church-wardens of the respective Parishes, and to enter therein the Names of the Contributors, and the Sum by them severally given in Words at length, at the time the same is given, and to cast up on each Page of every Leaf the Total Sum, and to subscribe the same on each Page, with the Hand of the Minister, Church-wardens, or such other principal Inhabitant as attends the said Collection.

Notice is hereby also given, That for the encouraging of Persons and Parishes to receive and employ the Palatines during the Time of Harvest, or otherwise, Care shall be taken to provide a Fund for the Maintenance of such

of them as shall, by Sickness, or other Accidents, be rendered incapable of getting their Living by their Labour; and for the securing such Parishes as shall receive any of them, that they shall not become a Burthen or Charge to such Parishes, by their being employed or settled there.

H. Benbysk.

Offend, August 11. N. S. Monsieur Ravignan returned from Versailles to our Army on the eighth Instant, with an account that the French King consented to the Capitulation agreed upon for the Cittadel of Tournay, on Condition that there should be a Cessation of Arms between the two Armies till the fifth of next Month, and that during such Cessation the Negotiations for a General Peace might go on; but this was absolutely refused, and the Attacks against the Cittadel were pushed on with all imaginable Vigour, and the Fire from our Cannon and Mortars redoubled. After this he desired twenty four hours to go into the Cittadel to consult with the Commanders, and to give his final Answer, which was granted; and it is believed he hath the French King's Consent to surrender that important Place on the Terms proposed; and that Monsieur Voisin, Secretary of War, who is now said to be in Marschal Villars's Camp, hath some further Propositions to offer. Our Army hath lain these two Days within sight of the Enemy, with the River Scarpe between them. The French have cut down part of the Wood of St. Aimand, and laid the Trees cross the Roads, to prevent our passing the Scarpe at that Town. Pontons and all other things necessary are ready for passing that River, but it is believed the French will retire to their Camp at Lens. The French are removing all the King's Ships from Durkirk to Havre de Grace, and work Night and Day for that End.

Offend, August 15. N. S. The twenty four hours desired by Monsieur de Ravignan being expired, and no Answer received from him, our Attacks have been carried on against the Cittadel with extraordinary Vigour; and the Bombardment, as well as the Sap, is continued Night and Day. Lieutenant-General Cadogan commanded a considerable Detachment, in order to take the Fort of Marchiennes on the Scarpe, and force a Passage over that River; but the marshy Grounds round it, and the abundance of Water between the Fort and Pont a Rache, obliged him to abandon that Design. Yesterday a General Council of War was held at Tournay, where the Duke of Marlborough, Prince Eugens, the Deputies of their High-Mightinesses, and all the Generals, assisted.

Offend, August 17. N. S. Letters from Lille say, that Marschal Villars was on the twelfth and thirteenth Instant at Doway, attended by several Engineers, where he visited the Fortifications, and gave the necessary Directions in case that Place should happen to be Besieged; and that on the thirteenth some Commissioners arrived at Valenciennes from Paris, with Orders to make an exact Inventory of all the Corn in the Monasteries, and other private Hands in the City and Country adjacent, in order to transport it to the King's Magazines. On Friday the ninth Instant the Fair of Ipres being opened, some Soldiers of the Garrison got together about eight at Night