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Florence, July 15. N. S.

Yesterday two British Men of War, one of which is called the Centurion, arrived at Leghorn from England. Three Days before their arrival they passed through the French Fleet bound from the Levant for Marseilles, consisting of sixty Sail under Convoy of eight Men of War. The Allies have disposed of their Fleet in the Mediterranean, in the most proper Method to intercept this Convoy: Nine Men of War have been for some time cruising before the Port of Marseilles, to wait for their arrival, which have since been joined by sixteen Sail under the Command of Sir John Norris; so that it will be very difficult for them to avoid falling in with the Confederates before they can touch at any Port in France. These British Men of War in their Voyage from England put in at Gibraltar, where they had an Account, that the Ambuscade had attacked a large French Ship before the Streights Mouth, valued at one hundred and fifty thousand Pieces of Eight, which struck after some Opposition, but blew up before the Ambuscade boarded her; all her Men, (except two who were taken up from floating on some broken Planks) were drowned, and two other Ships that were in Company with this Vessel that surrendered, bound for St. Maloes from Marseilles, made their Escape because of this Disaster. The Ambuscade had sixty Men killed or wounded in the Action; and being very much damaged in her Sails and Rigging, was obliged to sail for Lisbon to refit. Letters from Rome of the 12th say, that the Pope continued indisposed; that he had held a new Congregation to adjust the Equivalent with the Imperial Commissaries for the charge of the new Fortifications of Commachio; and that a Learned Professor of Divinity in the Sapienza had been accused of Janenism, and committed to the Castle of St. Angelo by the Office of the Inquisition.

Genoa, July 17. N. S. The French Fleet laden with Corn from the Levant was seen some Days ago in the Latitude of this Place, sailing towards Provence; and two Tartans were dispatched from hence to give them Intelligence that the Confederate Fleet was cruising on that Coast, in expectation of their Arrival. The Gallies of the Duke of Turin which are ordered to sail for Corsica, to take on Board the Soldiers that saved themselves on that Island after the Miscarriage of their Expedition on Sardinia, are detained in this Harbour, the Duke having received Intelligence that seven British Men of War were cruising near that Island.

Milan, July 19. N. S. The Duke of Modena hath paid the Imperial Commissary the remainder of the Sum which was demanded for his Contribution. They write from Turin, that the Duke of Savoy, and the Royal Family, were recovered of their Sickness, and would speedily remove to St. George for the benefit of the Air; that General Thau set out for the Army on the 12th Instant, which was to be assembled at Demont on the 16th; that General Rhebinder had already possessed himself of some Posts near Briançon, and that the Enemy had assembled their Forces in the Neighbourhood of that Place, at Guillestre, and in the Vallies of Queiras and Barcelonette.

Hague, August 1. N. S. The Plenipotentiaries of the respective Potentates of the Alliance, being fully satisfied that the Enemy have not yet entertained any serious Thoughts of a general Peace, that they would clude the Execution of the thirty seventh Article, and that their Endeavours have tended more to disunite the Allies, than to restore the Tranquility of Europe, are returning to their several Courts; some are already gone, and others are

preparing for their Departure. Count Zinzendorf returned on the 30th of the last Month from the Army, and designs to set out speedily for Vienna. We hear, that the Ministers of France made a Visit to the Marschal de Villars on their way to Paris. Several Conferences have lately been held here in order to secure the Empire from any Molestation by the Northern War, and it is believed the Measures they have concerted will be effectual for the continuance of its Tranquility. Advices from the Camp before Bethune say, that the Enemy were repulsed with the Loss of four hundred Men in the Sally they made on the 24th of the last Month, and that the Allies had three hundred Men killed and wounded. The Inaudition at General Schulemburg's Attack being drained, the Approaches were carried on with great Success, our Workmen being in no Danger from the Enemy's Mines on that side, and the access not so difficult as at General Fagel's. The Prince d' Auvergne, who possessed the Barony of Berg-op zoom; died lately of the Small Pox, and his Loss is very much lamented. Letters from Spain of the 15th of the last Month say, that the Duke of Anjou had been obliged to retire with his Army toward's Belpeuch for want of Provisions; and that the Confederates continued in their strong Camp near Balaguer.

Brussels, August 2. N. S. Letters from the Camp before Bethune of Yesterday say, that the Besiegers had finished two Batteries at General Fagel's Attack, one of seven Cannons, and the other of twelve and three Mortars; the Approaches at General Schulemburg's Attack were carried on with great Success. Mr. Cardonnel, Secretary to the Duke of Marlborough, was gone to Liff for the Recovery of his Health. Advices from the Frontiers say, that the People of France having been a long time flattered with Hopes of an approaching Peace, appear very much dissatisfied at the return of their Ministers.

Oxford, August 3. N. S. Our last Advices from the Camp say, that on Thursday the 31st of July the whole French Army, under the Command of Marshal Villars, marched to Avesne le Comte, with a design, as they gave out, to offer us Barcel, having left their heavy Baggage at Arras and Bappaume. The Duke of Marlborough having observed their Motions, immediately commanded the Detachments from several Posts to join the Army, and prepared to receive them, extending his Forces along the Souchet, and encamping with his Left at Viller-au Bois near Mont St. Eloy, and his Right at Viller-Brulin. Both Armies continued all that Night in order of Battel; the next Morning the Duke of Marlborough and the other Generals having observed their Encampment, found that they were only employed in casting up new Trenches, from the Source of the Scarpe to that of the Canche.

Plymouth, July 23. Yesterday arrived Admiral Aylmer in the Royal Sovereign, with the Royal Anne, Terbay, Cornwall, Ruffel, Newark, Phoenix Fireship, Fort Mahon, and twenty outward-bound Merchant-ships, and several Coasters. This Afternoon sailed the Fleet above-mentioned, with the Kent, Essex, Assurance, York, Monk, Colchester and Litchfield; as also the Evelyn Packet-boat for the West-Indies.

Kensington, July 24. The Queen has been graciously pleased to bestow the Place of Master of the Ceremonies, vacant by the Death of Sir Charles Cottrell, on his Son Clement Cottrell, Esq; and he had this Day the Honour of Kissing Her Majesty's Hand for the same; at which time Her Majesty was likewise pleased to confer upon him the Honour of Knighthood.

General Post-Office, July 25. At the last Assizes held at Kingston for the County of Surrey, Elizabeth Locker was Tried on an Information exhibited against her in Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer, for ringing a Hand-Bell