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Plymouth, Aug. 23.

THis day arrived here from the *Streights* severall English Merchant ships, which came in company with the *Holland* and *Smirna* Fleet homewards bound, amongst others a ship of this Town formerly taken by the *Sally* Corsairs, and turned into a man of war, and since retaken.

From on board the *Revenge* off the *North Cape*, Aug. 13. On the 19th past *Sir Edward Spragge* with his division, having at *Lisbonne* taken in his provisions and cleaned, went out to sea, having under his Convoy severall Merchant ships bound for *England*; the next day early in the morning hearing severall Guns to the Westwards, he made all the sail he could towards the noise, and in less then an hour time discovered Two Turks men of war attacking a Swede, to whose timely rescue he came, the Turks immediately making away with all the sail they were able; after some time spent in a fruitless chase, *Sir Edward* returned to his Convoys, leaving the Swede to her liberty, who had Three men only killed. The 27th standing in with the shoar under *Cap Monte*, he discovered another Turk close under the shoar, but no wind then stirring, the Turk had time to recover his boat which had been sent to shoar, but returned with so much hulk, that Twelve of their men were left behind to the mercy of the Portugueses, who killed Three of them and took the rest prisoners; about Four of the clock the wind blowing Northerly, the Turk kept his course to the Southwest, right with the *Burlings*, towards which place the *Warwick* with some other vessels in vain pursued him, leaving the farther chace of him to *Van Ghent* with his Dutch Squadron, who then was riding under the *Burlings*.

The 5th instant *Sir Edward* came to an Anchor off *Oporto*, whither came to him five Merchant ships from that Port bound for *England*, who put themselves under his protection, who being the 18th instant again under sayl, he met with the *Lisbonne Merchant* an old Collier in 14 dayes from *London* bound for *Lisbonne*, mostly laden with Coals, but had the fortune the 6th instant near the shoar in the Latitude of 42 degrees and an half, to be set upon by the Admiral, of *Argier* of 60. Guns, and 700. men, with his consort of 40. Guns and 500. men, (supposed to have been the same, which a little before had attempted the Swede) The Admiral immediately boarded the poor Merchant, who had only 25 men and 16 Guns, clapping on as many men as they thought sufficient to have mastered her, and went off again, but the English entertained them with so much courage, that they in little time cleared the ship, forcing all the Turks overboard, with little loss, besides that of the Master of the ship, one *Newman*, a young man who was knockt on the head; The Turks Admiral perceiving the ill success of his men, came up again and boarded the Merchant with a great number of men, who continued the dispute for about three Glasses,

in which time they lost many men, the rest being forced to throw themselves overboard, amongst whom was one *Browne* a Renegado, but now Lieutenant to the Admiral, and a leading man in this encounter: After this the Admiral came up the third time; but his men were so terrified, that only seven of them durst adventure on board, whereof six were immediately killed, and the other taken prisoner; This done the Turks left her to pursue her Course, wearing very eminent marks of that Encounter. *Sir Edward Spragge* gave her all the assistance he could, and left her on her way for *Lisbonne*, himself going on to secure the ships under his Convoy.

Cadix, July 30. Here is newly arrived a French Tartan which left *Tetuan* the 26th instant, informing that *Tassillette* having intelligence that the people of *Suz* had united their forces with those of *Santa Cruz*, marched towards the farther part of *Suz*, with an Army of One hundred and forty thousand men, which so terrify'd those people, that they presented him with their Leaders head, and with great submission begged his pardon; in confidence whereof, *Tassillette* marched towards *Santa Cruz*, with whose Governour, the people of *Suz* repenting of what they had done, underhand renewed their League, and unexpectedly setting upon his Army, wholly routed it, killing a Brother of *Tassillette* who led the Van, himself hardly escaping, by night entred *Morocco* only with four Horse; his great Army dispersed and wholly broken in pieces: He has since sent to *Fez*, *Tetuan*, and other places for recruits, but was refused, which is taken as a certain Omen of his approaching destruction.

Cadix, Aug. 10. *Sir Thomas Allen* with a Squadron of Six Fregats touched lately at this Port from whence he departed the 6th instant, having not met with any considerable adventure upon the coasts of *Barbary*, more then the taking of an excellent Breagantine of 28 Oars, and well equipped, belonging to the Duan of *Argiers*, which he forced on shoar, and afterwards fetched off with his Pinnaces without any loss, and designed her for the service of the Garrison of *Tangier*.

Nadir, Aug. 20. The 7th instant *Sir William Godolphin* had an Audience from the Queen Regent upon the death of Madam, to whom he delivered Letters from His Majesty of Great Britain his Master upon that subject which the Queen received with many expressions of sorrow; the Court hath since put on mourning upon that occasion, and the Nobility, Councillors, and forreign Ministers made their compliments of condolence to the said *Sir William Godolphin*.

On the 8th dyed in this Court *Limosnera*, Mayor to the Queen and Patriarch of the Indies in the 85th year of his age, the Queen has been pleased to confer that dignity upon his Nephew Don *Anonso Maurique*.

The Presidentship of *Flanders* which has been long vacant, is conferred on the Marquis de *Casal Rodrigo*, who is also to retain his Charge of Master of the Horse,

The 13th instant, the Conde de *Molina* began his journey towards *England*,