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From on Board the Barfleur at Reggio,  
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**O**N the 8th Instant Sir George Byng went to Syracusa, the Place appointed for the Rendezvous, where he was joined by the rest of the Fleet. He there repaired the little Damage some of our Ships had suffered, and put those which were taken from the Spaniards in a Condition to proceed to Port Mahon. The Admiral having Intelligence that some Ships were seen to the Southward of the Island of Sicily, he made a Detachment from his Fleet to look after them; they are to range round the Island by Palermo, and to rejoin the Fleet off Messina or Reggio. The 12th we sailed from Syracusa, having left Vice Admiral Cornwall there, with 10 Ships to convey the Ships taken, Yesterday we came

off of this Place. The Spaniards have still Batteries of Cannon and Mortars playing against the Citadel of Messina; but as 1000 Men of the Emperour's Troops are lately put into that Place, it is believed that they, with the Piemontese who are in the Garrison, will be able to maintain it till they can be further relieved. There are 3000 Imperialists lying about this Place, and the Viceroy of Naples sends 4000 more which are expected in a Day or Two; and then Measures will be taken for Dislodging the Spaniards from Messina, for which Purpose Sir George Byng has been conferring with General Wexzel who is now in this Town. Since our last we have been able to make a more exact List of the Spanish Ships taken, burnt, and escaped; which is as follows.

Ships.	Guns.	Men.	Commanders.
St. Philip the Royal	74	650	Vice-Admiral Castagneta,
Prince of Asturias	70	550	Rear-Admiral Chacon,
Royal	60	400	Rear-Admiral Marq. de Mari,
St. Charles	60	400	Prince Chalay,
St. Isabella	60	400	Don Andres Rezio,
Santa Rosa	60	400	Don Antonio Gonzales,
St. Isidro	46	300	Don Manuel Vilavicentia,
Volante	44	300	Don Antonio Escudera,
Surprize	44	250	Don Manuel Sadey, Knight of Malta,
Juno	36	250	Don Pedro Moyana,
Tyger	26	240	Monsieur Cavaigne,
Eagle	24	240	Don Lucas Masnata,
Bomb-Vessel			One,
Ship laden with Arms			One,
Ships laden with Provisions			Three,
Pearl	50	300	Don Gabriel Alderete,
Hermione	44	300	Don Rodrigo de Torres,
Esperance	46	300	Don Juan Delfino & Balandina,
Fire-Ships			Two,
Bomb-Vessels			Two,
Sattee			One,
St. Lewis	60	400	Rear-Admiral Guevara,
St. Ferdinand	60	400	Rear-Admiral Cammock,
St. John Baptist	60	400	Don Francisco Guerrero,
St. Peter	60	400	Don Antonio Arifaga,
Porcupine	44	250	a French-man,
La Galleja	30	200	Don Francisco Alverez,
Castilla	30	200	Don Francisco Leanio, Kt. of Malta,
Count de Toulouse	30	200	Don Joseph Goccocea,
St Francisco Arreres	22	100	Wacup, a Scotchman,
Little St. Ferdinand	20	150	
Little St. John	20	150	Don Ignatius Valevale,
Arrow	18	100	Don Juan Papiena,
Bomb-Vessel			One,
Gallies			Seven, M. Grimò, Com- mander in Chief.

Escaped.

Burnt.

Note, One of the Ships of about 30 or 40 Guns amongst the Escaped, is since taken but we do not yet know her Name.

*Madrid, Sept. 3.* On Tuesday last a Courier, who came from Messina on the 5th of August, arrived here, with Advice, that the Marquess de Lede with the Spanish Forces employed against that Place, had taken three Forts, after a short Resistance, those who defended them yielding themselves Prisoners of War. That Batteries were raised against the Citadel and the Fort of St. Salvador, which were to begin to fire the next Day; and 'twas hoped that in three Weeks time they might be taken. The Count de Montemar with the Detachment he commands, had possessed himself of the Town and Castle of Termini. We have no Advice relating to our Fleet. The King has laid an Indulto of 5 per Cent, on the Silver that came by the last Flota; which would be a moderate Duty, had not his Majesty ordered at the same Time, that all shall be carried to the Mint at Seville to be coined; and then the Persons interested are to receive it in Money: By the Alloy the King will gain a considerable Sum.

*Hague, Sept. 20.* Yesterday the Earl of Cadogan, His Britannick Majesty's Ambassador, received a Letter from the Marquess de Prié, the Emperor's Administratour of the Austrian Netherlands, acquainting his Excellency that he had received new full Powers from the Court of Vienna, and would come hither in a very few Days, in order to Sign the Convention now making for accommodating all Disputes relating to the Barrier-Treaty. On the 17th Instant the States of the Province of Holland passed a Resolution unanimously for acceding to the Quadruple Alliance: Their Resolution was sent the same Day to the States General, and 'tis expected the rest of the Provinces will soon follow their Example. The said States of Holland are adjourned to the 28th of this Month. M. de Chateaufeuf, the late French Ambassador, intends to leave this Place in two or three Days.

Hampton-Court, Sept. 5, 1718.

Whereas Captain Lawrence Childe, of Spittle-Fields, Pewterer, went from his House on the 4th Day of July last in the Morning, and hath not since been seen or heard of by his Family, and is believed to have been murdered: His Majesty is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of the Persons concerned in the Fact (except the Person by whose Hand the Murder was committed) who shall discover their Accomplices, so as they may be apprehended and convicted.

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Mrs. Frances Childe promises to pay the Sum of Fifty Pounds for the Encouragement of the Person that shall make the said Discovery.

The Commissioners of the Customs having received two Letters dated the 19th and 22d of August last, from two Persons, concerning the illegal Practices of some Officers of the Customs on board of the Ship Marlborough from the East-Indies, and the Ships Sufannah and Rebecca from Barbadoes; do give Notice, that if the Persons who wrote the said Letters, or either of them, will attend the Board, and make out the said Information, that due Enquiry may be made into the Matters complained of, the said Persons shall have all fitting Encouragement.

Notice is hereby given, That there will be a General Quarterly Court of the Governours of the Bounty of Queen Anne for the Augmentation of the Maintenance of the Poor Clergy, on Monday the 29th Instant, at the usual Place and Hour.

The Court of Directors of the Bank of England give Notice, that a General Court will be held at the Bank on Thursday next, the 18th Instant, at Twelve at Noon, to consider of a Dividend, which will be also one of the Quarterly General Courts appointed by the Charter.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, do hereby give Notice, that a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be holden at the East-India-House in Leadenhall-Street, London, on Friday the 19th of this Instant September, at Eleven in the Forenoon.

The Committee for Letting the City's Lands in the Account of the Chamberlain of the City of London give Notice, that they intend to Let by Lease, A great Messuage or Tenement and two empty Coach-houses under the same, and a Slip of Ground thereto adjoining, situate in Blyng-horse Yard without Bishopsgate in the Possessions of Mr. Scott, and others; two Front Messuages or Tenements in Ratcliff Narrow-Street, known by the Sign of the New England Arms, and ten Messuages or Tenements, and a Yard behind the same: And that the said Committee will sit in the Council-Chamber of the Guildhall, London, on Wednesday the 17th Instant, at Four in the Afternoon, to receive Proposals for the said Premises severally; of which more particular Information may be had at the Comptroller's Office in the Guildhall as aforesaid.

#### Advertisements.

†† The Present State of Europe, containing an Historical and Political Account of the Interests, Pretensions, and Transactions of the several Courts; for the Month of August, 1718. Vol. 29. To be continued Monthly from the Original Published at the Hague. Printed for H. Rhodes, at the Corner of Bride-lane in Fleet-Street, and the Signs of Bliz, Harris.

WHEREAS a small Silver Minute Watch was lost on Saturday last, the 6th Instant, at the Rose at Sittingborn, in Kent, N<sup>o</sup> 6277, with only a scarlet Ribbon and the Key to the Watch, made by Mr. Windmill; whoever will bring the said Watch again to Mr. Tho. Joachim, at the Rose at Sittingborn, or to Ambrose Granger, at the Dover-Castle at Bilinggate, shall have a Guinea Reward, and no Questions asked.

LOST the 10th of this Instant, a Pocket-book, wherein were sundry Notes, particularly a Note from Richard Woodward for his Masters Messieurs Atwill and Hamond, for 300 l. payable to Stephens and Ellis, and sundry other Papers; if any Person will bring the said Pocket book and Notes to Messieurs Atwill and Hamond, Bankers, in Exchange-alley, they shall have five Guineas Reward, and no Questions asked; it is of no Use but to the Owners, Payment being stop, and hereby all Persons are forewarned not to take the said Notes in Payment.

ALL Persons that have any Debts or Demands from the several Estates late of John Nolt, Statuary, deceased, or of Prances Nolt, his late Widow and Executrix, also deceased, are desired to apply themselves to Mr. William Keype, in Garden-Court in the Middle-Temple, in order upon due Proof of such their Debts and Demands) to receive Satisfaction for the same; and all Persons that are indebted to either of their Estates, are required forthwith to pay the same to the Executors of the said Mrs. Nolt, or to the said Mr. Keype, or they will be sued for the same.

THE acting Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Stephens, late of Falmouth, in the County of Cornwall, Merchant, intend to meet on Wednesday the 11th of October next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at the House of Mrs. Sarah Symes, without being the Sign of the Ship at Falmouth aforesaid, in order, to make a second Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; where all the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts and paid their Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the same; or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.