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Milford, May 21.

Two Turks Men of War lye in this Channel, which we finde contribute much to the security of these Seas at present. On Friday and Saturday last arrived five or six and twenty Colliers under the Convoy of one of His Majesties Yachts of five Guns: There came off the Lands end, at the same time, 25, or 30 sail more of the same Traders, bound for *Smyrna*, and other Ports up the River.

Falmouth, May 23. Yesterday came into this Harbor, the *Elizabeth*, Captain *Talbot* Commander, from *Lisbon*, whither he had convoyed four Merchant-men. Two Pickarons attended them in their Voyage two or three days together, but despairing of any success upon them, went off again: But upon the fourteenth instant, they discovered the French fleet about 25 sail, some of them great ships, about a League off *Lisbon*, who endeavored upon sight of the Merchants to get betwixt them, and the Land; but failed in the attempt, though they came so near as to put a Gun on shore: The Captain having convoyed the Merchants to their Port, immediately returned, having met no Vessels in his way.

Dover, May 27. This morning at four of the Clock, our Fleet lay in fight before *Calais*, being about 85 Sail, and are now in the Downs.

A Privateer, out of this Town, took the last week a Ship of 200 Tun, laden with Wine and Brandy, and carried her into *Rye*.

Madrid, May 5. They tell us here from Port *Santa Maria*, of the advice they have received, that the King of *Fes*, son to the late Prince, and Lord of *Sallee*, and several other places now held by *Gayland*, has raised a very considerable Army to reduce those places to his obedience; against whom, *Gayland* is also marching with all the strength he can make to oppose so powerful an enemy.

Rome, May 8. The *Venetian* Ambassador has informed the Pope, and several of the Cardinals, of an Overture of a Peace between them and the *Ottoman* Court; that the principal Article insisted on was, That each party should content themselves with what they are already possess of in *Candia*: hoping by this Address, if the Treaty take effect, to keep themselves right with the Pope and the Princes of *Italy*; or if the War proceeds, to procure assistance from the Court of *Rome*, as they have already from the Duke of *Tuscany*.

On Wednesday last the Consistory ending, the Pope removed hence to *Castel Gondolpho*, four Leagues from *Rome*, intending to pass the rest of the Spring, and the greatest part of the Summer in that place, being indeed advised to it by his Physicians, to avoid if possible the danger of a fit of sickness, which in the heat of Summer has for many years attended him, the Cardinals *Chisy*, and *Nini*, with some few Officers and Domestick Servants attending them: Cardinal *Rospigliosi* being dangerously ill, to the great trouble of the Court, who has much esteem for him; Cardinal *Chisy*, during the Popes absence, comes at the least twice a week hither, to dispatch publick affairs.

The Queen *Christina* of *Swedenland* being ready to begin her voyage, Orders are sent to the Governors of *Umbria*, *la Marca*, and to the Legates of *Urbino*, *Romagna*, *Bologna*, and *Ferrara*, to be ready to receive her in her passage.

Prior *Bichi*, the Popes Sisters son, being sent for to *Rome*, by the endeavors of *Don Maria*, has made some stop at *Civita Vecchia*, under pretext of Lanching some new Gallies; but 'tis thought to consult how to abate the power of the Cardinals *Nini* and *Chisy*.

On Sunday last, the Cardinal *Farnese* performed the great

solemnity of Consecrating the Cardinal *Conti*, Bishop of *Ancona*, assisted by *Horronco* Patriarch of *Alexandria*, and *Altieri* Bishop of *Camerino*, Secretary to the Congregation of Bishops: After which, the Cardinal *Conti* gave them a magnificent dinner, which ended, Cardinal *Farnese* presented him with the Chalice, which he used at the Consecration, which was of massive Gold, set with a great number of very rich Diamonds.

Molena, May 15. The *Mantuan* laying their claim to a part of the River *Po*, between *Bertello*, a Fort belonging to this place, and *Madana* belonging to *Mantua*, some of their Officers went to seize upon some of our people that were fishing, killing one, and taking another of them prisoner; for which the Governor of *Bertello* having to no purpose demanded satisfaction, immediately with his guns, beat down some Mills belonging to *Mantua* upon the River, and took those whom he found in them prisoners: since that the *Mantuan* have fortified a place a little above *Bertello*, upon their own side: and we another place in an Island of our own, over against our Fort, from whence the Cannons have frequently plaid on both sides, though but little hurt done on either: we have now drawn down both Horse and Foot, about 12000, whereof 6000 are ordered to *Bertello*, and the places near it, and the other 6000 to *Nuovi*, a frontier Town upon *Mantua*, and Commissions are granted out for the raising of two Regiments of Horse, four full Troops in each Regiment. In the meantime the Governor of *Milan* endeavors as much as possible to reconcile their differences, least by their Commotions, all *Lombardy* be put into a flame; to this purpose he has dispatched the Marquis *Lunati* to *Mantua*, and the Count *Horronco* hither. They have already obtained a suspension of Arms for five daies: Yesterday the Deputies were to meet at *Novellaris*, but what the result of their conference was, we yet know not, though we are told that the Cardinal *D'Este* pretends he can yield to nothing, till he has an answer to a Courier he dispatcht to *Paris*.

Order is taken both at *Venice* and *Palus*, for the appointing and furnishing houses for the entertainment of the Duke and Datchets of *Bavaria*, who desired the Senate that they might be received *Incognito*, without the troubles of publick Ceremony: The Duke of *Savoie*, the Dutchesses Brother is also expected, who 'tis said will much press their farther journey into *Piedmont*, though 'tis thought the Elector will hardly be induced to accept the Invitation.

Elsevour May 15. Sunday last the French Resident presented this Queen with a rich present of Jewels sent her by the French King: Several Masters arriving here from *Bergen*, report that on Tuesday last, May 1. was published by sound of Drum, an Order of the Governors, that since there was open War, or that it was like to be so between the Kings of *Great Brittain* and *Denmark*, the Burgers were to take notice that such as owed moneys either to English or Scots Merchants, should not pay without first making known their Debts to their Commanders, and for the future to entertain no further Correspondency with them.

Ditto, May 17. What Merchants either English or Scots they could find, were personally arrested the 12 past, and brought into the Castle of *Bergen*. The Fleet requires yet much time, though they work hard to get it out, but for want of Hemp, Money, and Seamen, will hardly be fitted out these two moneths.

Legorne, May 17. Letters from *Smyrna* tell us, that the *Crim Tartar* had given defiance to the Grand Signior, having stopp all his ships in the Black Sea, and intends with