

Garrisons out of the said places, and to leave them in the hands of the Electors, till the summe of Money for which they were pawned be reimbursed to him, and then they are to be restored to the Count de Nassau Sarbruch, the proprietor of them.

From *Dunkirk* we hear, that they continue to work on the Fortifications with all the diligence imaginable; that the Citadel was quite finished, and the rest of the works very well advanced: They farther write; that their Majesties would remove from thence the 25th instant to *Tournay*, and from thence to *Aeth*.

*Madrid*, May 8. The Marquis de Grotola, is lately arrived here from *Naples*, and hath since had Audience of her Majesty, concerning matters of much importance relating to that Kingdom. Her Majesty hath been pleased to nominate Don Pedro Zavales Governor of *Ofsend*, to succeed the Marquis of *Montroy* in the Government of *Cambray*.

Don *Manoel de Lyra*, appointed Envoy extraordinary to the States General of the United Provinces, is gone from hence in order to his entering upon that employment.

They write from *Malaga* of the 5th instant, that the day before the *Adventure* and *Milford* Frigats arrived there with several Merchant men under their Convoy; and that the same day put in there the *Greenwich* and *Assurance* Frigats from the *Levant*, with about 30 Merchant ships homewards bound.

From *Sevill* we have advice, that the second instant came to *Cadix* a Fleet of English Merchant men in 15 days from the *Downes*, under the Convoy of three men of War, who passed forward with seaven sayl for the *Levant*.

*Biledelt* May 15. The 9th instant came hither the Deputies from the States General, to assist on their part, at the Treaty to be concluded, between the Princes of *Lunenburg* and the Bishop of *Munster*, where they found most of the *Lunenburg* Deputies, as likewise those from *Brandenburg* and *Newburgh*, but the Deputies from the Bishop of *Munster* are not yet arrived; which delays of that Prelate are very much wondred at, and give occasion to think, that that Treaty will scarce be finished, within the time limited by the Preliminaries; in the interim the Bishop hath upon the Duke of *Wolfembutell's* withdrawing his Troops out of *Hoxter*, put in a Garrison of 70 men, according to what was agreed on in that particular.

The *Lunenburg* Forces continue in their respective Garrisons ready to march upon any occasion, those Princes having resolved not to part with any of their Troops, till more of the Summer be past.

*Haerlem*, May 26. From the *Hague* our Letters tell us, that on the 16th instant the Deputies of the Province of *Gelderland*, made a report to the States General, that their Principals had in their last Assembly agreed to the augmenting the yearly Pensions of the two Field Marshals, from 12 to 20 thousand Guilders by the year, on condition his Highness the Prince of *Orange* might have one settled on him of 50 Thousand Guilders by the year, to be paid out of the ordinary Fonds for the War, as all other things of that nature are.

Upon which the Deputies of the other Provinces desired a Copy of their resolution, and that it might according to custom be Registered; but those of *Holland*, having some days after observed that the States of *Gelderland* gave in the Title of Designated Captain General to his Highness, did represent to those of *Gelderland*, that the States of their Province had by declaring in those terms, made

themselves incapable of having any Vote, when it should be taken into consideration, whether they should make a Captain General or not, because they had disposed in their particulars of this charge, without the participation of the rest of the Allies, that they had failed in the exprets promise they had made, and in the Agreement concluded between them in the year 1668, That there should be no thoughts of making a Captain General, till his Highness should have completed his 22 year; and that this Charge should not be disposed of, but by the unanimous consent of all the Provinces.

That in case they withdrew not their Resolution out of the Register, that the Province of *Holland* would be obliged to enter a solemn Protest, and to take a Resolution quite contrary to that which the Province of *Gelderland* had made in this matter. Whereupon having consulted amongst themselves, what was best to be done in it, they resolved to withdraw their Declaration again, notwithstanding that those of *Zealand* had already transmitted a Copy thereof to their Principals, and those of *Friesland* offered to follow their example, and to declare themselves in the same terms.

Our Fleet is not yet put to sea; the *Amsterdam* Squadron rides at present at the *Texel*, and is ready to sayl, expecting only one man of War which happened to come aground before *Enchusen*, and must expect a Spring tide to bring her off again. The ships set out by the Admiralty of *Rottterdam* are at the *Brielle* and *Helvoet Sluys*, and only want about one hundred an fifty Seamen to complete their numbers; those of *Zealand* and *Friesland* are also ready; but the Admiralty of *North-Holland*, hath, as is said, written to the States General, giving them an account, that they must expect some farther supplies of Money, before their ships can put to sea: in the mean time here is a discourse, that the States will in a little time, lay up several of those men of War again, not thinking it necessary to keep so great a Fleet abroad this Summer.

From *Spain* we hear, that Monsieur *Beverning* Ambassador from this State in that Court, having performed what he had in Commission to negotiate there, intends to depart from thence about the beginning of *June*, and to return home by the way of *Lyons*, *Switzerland*, and *Germany*.

The Baron d' *Issola* who lately went for *Cologne*, is lately returned again from thence, telling us of the great likelihood there seems to be, that through the mediation of several Princes, who appear very earnest in their endeavors for the composing of those differences, all things may at length be peaceably accommodated. His Highness the Prince of *Orange* is gone to pass some part of the Summer at his house at *Honfledike*, but so, as to be frequently here at the Assemblies of the Council of State.

*Paris*, May 26. From *Marseilles* of the 19th instant, they tell us, That Monsieur de *Vivonne* was put to Sea with nine Gallies for the Coast of *Barbary*, and that as many more are making ready to succeed upon the return of those, which it is believed are not to stay abroad much above two moneths.

From *Dunkirk* we have advice, That the King was to remove from thence the 25th instant.

*Whitehal*, May 20. His Majesty hath been pleased upon the death of Sir *John Keeling*, Lord Chief Justice of the Court of Kings Bench, to confer that place upon the Lord Chief Baron *Hales*, who after having taken the usual Oaths before the Right Honourable the Lord Keeper, on Thursday last took his Seat accordingly on that Bench.

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