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Naples, May 12.

Some days since arrived here an Expres from the Court at Madrid, with directions to our Vice Roy Don Pedro d'Arragon, to cause the Gallies of this Kingdom to be immediately fitted out, in order to their joyning with those of Sicily and Maltha, for the security of these Coasts this Summer; at the same time came Letters to the Marquis de Villa Franca, General of our Gallies, from their Queen Regent, to repair with all the speed he could to Madrid, to the end, he might be back again in good time, to put to Sea with the Gallies.

His Excellency hath lately ordered several Companies of Spanish Infantry, to march towards Manfredonia and Leccio, for the defence and security of those parts.

Dantzick, May 26. By several Gentlemen lately come from the Court at Warsaw, we have had the particular relation of the extraordinary splendor, with which was celebrated several days together, the Solemnity of the Mariage of Prince Demetrius Wisnowitski with the Princess d'Ostrog, who have since received the Visits and Compliments of all the persons of quality about Town upon that occasion: They farther assure us, that the Kings general Letters for the summoning the Nobility, against the middle of the next Month, are dispatching with all the diligence imaginable, in which, they are the more pressed, by the continual Allarmes they still receive from the Ukraïn, and parts adjacent, of the growing strength of the Cossacks, under the command of Dorofensko.

From Muscovy we hear, that the Rebels lie incamped along the River Wolga, and have quite interrupted the Trade, which the Inhabitants of Moskò had every year with Astracan and those other parts.

Brussels, June 2. Yesterday his Excellency the Count de Monterey returned hither from Ghent; as he passed into the Town, he took a view of thirty brave Troops of Horse, which his Excellency hath caused to be drawn together about this City from several other parts: The same day his Excellency went to visit the Fortifications of this place, to see how far they were advanced in his absence; where he found all things to his great satisfaction and content. It is now confidently reported that the Government of Offend, will be conferred on the Maitre de Camp Manriquez a Spaniard of esteem and reputation, at present in Garrison with his Regiment at Ipre. His Excellency hath since his arrival caused the Grey coats he had ordered to be here made, to be distributed amongst the Spanish Regiments; and the like are preparing for the rest of the Army, which they are to have every year for thirty Stivers apiece to be deducted out of their pay. Two days since the Earl of Castlehaven was according to the Commission he hath received from the King of Spain, declared by his Excellency Serjeant general of Battalia in these his Catholick Majesties Dominions. We hear that the French Court is at present at Tournay, from whence

they go after some days stay for Aeth and Charleroy: The Count de Rash is made Governour of Ipre, and Commander in chief of all the Forces in these parts; And the Baron de Wangur, who was formerly Governour there, is removed to the Government of Bruges.

Hague, June 5. Here is at present much discourse again, of the forming of the two Bodies of an Army, and that the Comte Maurice de Nassaw, who is at present returned from Berlin to Cleves, shall command one of them. The first instant arrived here the Deputies of the Elector of Cologne, and yesterday they had their first conference with those appointed by the States, about the difference which hath for several years depended between this State and that Elector, as Prince of Liege, concerning the Castle and Territory of la Rochette. The Deputies of the respective Admiralties, are still here receiving orders concerning the Fleet.

From Wesel, we receive the confirmation of the Siege of Brunswick, by the Forces of those Dukes, who it seems, pretending to the Sovereignty of that place, which the Inhabitants with much obstinacy refuse him, it hath occasioned this action, of which we know not what to judge at present, but fear if not timely accommodated, it may give beginning to farther troubles in those quarters; the States have sent directions to two of their Deputies at present at Bylevelt, to go immediately thither, to endeavor if possible, a fair understanding between the Town and the Dukes, before things go too far. Monsieur de Groot, Ambassador from this State, was according to our last advice from the French Court in Flanders, parted thence for Sluyse, in order to his return hither for some short time.

From Madrid they write, that Monsieur Beverning Ambassador there from these States, was preparing for his departure; his Excellency intending to leave that Court the 15th instant at farthest, and to take his way home through Catalogne, France, Swisserland, and Germany. Don Emanuel de Lyrn, appointed by the Queen Regent to succeed here, as Ambassador in the room of Don Estreuan de Gamarra, went thence the 9th past on his way hither. From Cologne they write, that their fears were now in a manner over, that Elector having promised not to attempt any thing by force of Arms.

From Ghent our Letters tell us, of an Order or Placaet published there, as well as in all other places of that Country, to this effect; that his Catholick Majesty had for several Reasons and Considerations, not onely thought fit to revoke a former Order, forbidding the making of Brandy within these his Dominions, and at the same time to give leave to all persons to make Brandy of Corn; but likewise for the greater consumption of the growth of those Countries, strictly to forbid the importation of all Brandy, from what Foreign parts soever, under penalty of confiscation, and a fine of double the worth of the Brandy so imported; farther charging all Merchants and others, who have at present any Forreign Brandy in their hands, within Eight days after the publication, to have the same entred by some Officer to that end appointed, and in 15 days absolutely

to dispose thereof, under penalty as aforesaid. They rather write, that his Excellency at his being there, had according to directions received from Madrid, given Don Louys de Costa Quiroga, Lieutenant Governor of the Castle of Ghent, the command of the old Regiment of Spaniards, in the room of Don Antonio Furrado y Mendoca, now Governor of Mefina; and that the Inhabitants of that Town, have lately, besides the 60000 Guilders formerly spoken of, consented to the raising of 70000 Guilders more, for the carrying on their Fortifications; for the perfecting of which, it is said, his Excellency will likewise expend 150 thousand Guilders out of the publick Treasury.

Cologne, June 2. On Thursday last the Bishop of Strasbourg entertained all the Foreign Ministers at present residing here, at a most splendid Dinner; in the interim all endeavours are used for the composing of things with our Elector; of the success of which, there seems at present to be more likelihood than hitherto there hath been.

The 28th past arrived here an Express from Vienna to the Marquis de Grana, who thereupon immediately parted from hence, with one or two persons only attending him for Treves and Mayence.

From Ratisbonne they write, that the Count de Mandringart late Envoy from his Imperial Majesty in the Court of France, having given a particular account to the States assembled there of his negotiation relating to the affairs of Lorraine, was gone thence on his way to Vienna. From all hands we receive the confirmation of the Siege of the Town of Brunswick by the Forces of those Dukes.

Hague, June 9. Letters from Cologne, of the 5th tell us, that that morning the Regiment under the command of Colonel Bampfield, consisting of 14 Companies, 100 men in each company, were mustered there, having taken the Oath of Fidelity to that City and Magistracy. That the Siege of Brunswick had much alarmed them in those parts. That there was a discourse, as if the Neighbour Electors and Princes of the Empire, were forming a Treaty among themselves, for the ayding each other with 15 thousand Foot, and 5000 Horse, against any of their Subjects that should upon any occasion dispute the Obedience they owe them.

On the 6th instant arrived here the Sieur de Groot, Ambassador from this State in France, and we are expecting when he may make his Report to the States, of the condition our affairs stand in with that King; which it is believed, he will do in a day or two. Some discourse is, as if there were dispositions on both sides, to piece up an accommodation as to the matter of Trade and Commerce.

In Zealand is arrived Captain Kruinengen from Surinam, and on board him is come the Governor Lichtenbergh, with an account of the state of that Country.

Nothing is yet farther resolved as to the two Camps, The Amsterdam Squadron lies ready still at the Texel, but have yet no orders to put to Sea; so as it is now believed our Fleet will scarce be in a Body at Sea this whole Summer.

The business of Brunswick troubles us much. Certain it is, the Dukes of that name, have given notice hither of their resolutions in the matter; which are plainly to reduce that Town to the obedience they alleadge it owes them. It seems the Dukes had underhand bought up all the powder the Town could afford a fortnight before any thing of their intentions appeared of having a dispute with it. That on the third of this Month, the Dukes Forces had not yet made any shot at the Town, but that they intended to begin their batteries that night.

Paris, June 6. From Tournay we are told, that their most Christian Majesties arrived there the 29th past, with intentions to make some short stay there, and from thence to proceed to Aeth, Charleroy, and the other places his Majesty has thoughts to visit; so as to be here again, about the beginning of the next Month.

There has been lately brought hither the great Horse of Bronze from Nancy, being a piece of work of great value and curiosity; it is to be placed, as is said, before the Louvre, and to have the Kings Statue in Brass set upon it. We are told, that the Troops which upon the Kings journey into Flanders, were ordered out of Lorrein thither, will very suddenly have Orders to march into those Countries again, to remain there under the command of the Marshal de Crequi.

It is said, that the Dutchess of Cadaval, daughter to the Prince d'Harcourt, some time since married here by Proxy to the Duke of that name, of the House of Braganca in Portugal, is preparing for her journey thither; which she intends to begin very suddenly, by the way of La Rochelle. Here is a discourse of an Ambassador to be sent from hence to Poland, as likewise another to the great Duke of Muscovy, to endeavor the settling of a more advantageous trade than hath been hitherto found out in those parts.

This week we saw part from hence about 400 young Maids, taken out of the publick Hospitals here (where they have been bred up) in order to their transportation to the West Indies, for the peopling our Colonies there. We expect here Monsieur Calbert, and Monsieur de Tillier before the Court; for the settling of some things against his Majesties arrival.

Leghorn, May 25. The 22 instant sayled hence the Centurion Frigate, with about 20 sayl of Merchant men bound for England.

Marseilles, May 30. By a Bark arrived from Majorca, we have advice of Sir Edward Spraggess having been with the Fleet under his Command before Bugia, and of the great Success he had obtained the 17th instant, against Twelve Argiers men of War, that were there at Anchor under the Castle, which were all burnt and destroyed; the Confirmation and farther Particulars of which action, we hourly expect.

Lyme, May 31. The 29th instant, being the day of His Majesties Birth, and most happy Restauration, was observed here with great Solemnity; the Train Bands being all in Arms, and the Mayor, with his Brethren the Aldermen, going in their Formalities to Church, where they had a Sermon preached suitable to the day; in the evening all the great Guns were fired from the Fort and the Cliff, with severall Volleys of small shot, which was followed with Bonfires, and the other usual markes of publick rejoycing.

London, June 2. Yesterday in the afternoon Her Majesty parted again from Somerset House, attended by several of the Principal Ladies of the Court for Windsor, where His Majesty and Royal Highness, with the whole Court continue, extremely satisfied with the pleasantness of that Princely Seat.

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THE Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer, are come to the payment of the 385 Order in Number Registered on His Majesties Revenue of the fire-hearths, and shall proceed to the payment of the subsequent Orders, to that Number and course, as the Money of that Revenue shall be brought into the Exchequer.