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Madrid, September 2.

AN Express arrived last Thursday with Advice, that the Remains of the Spanish Troops from Sicily landed at Barcelona on the 25th past, to the Number of 12000 Men, with their General the Marquess de Lede, who is expected To-Morrow at the Escorial. General Chacon is also arrived at Alicante with the few Troops which were left at Sardinia. On Tuesday last circular Letters were sent to all the Prelates of the Kingdom, with Orders to cause publick Prayers to be made in their several Diocesses, for the Preservation of this Country from the Plague which rages at Marseilles; and these Prayers have been already begun in the Churches of this Town. Very great Preparations are continued for an Expedition, in which 54 Battallions of Foot and 60 Squadrons of Horse and Dragoons will be employed; these Forces are drawn together and quartered between Seville and Malaga, and Transports are getting ready to take them on board with a large Train of Artillery, and Stores of Ammunition and Provisions. Part of those Stores are ordered to be sent over forthwith to Ceuta, which makes it believed the Expedition is intended against the King of Morocco's Dominions. Sig. Pozzobuono, his Catholick Majesty's Ambassadour to the King of Great Britain, being recovered from an Indisposition that detained him here several Days, set out the 31st past for Bilbao, in order to imbarck there for Holland, whence he is to proceed to Hanover. Major Elrington, the Commanding Officer of the British Garrison in Gibraltar, having some Weeks since bought and paid for 40 Bullocks for the Service of the Garrison, with the Consent of Collonel Don Bartholomeo Ramos, who then commanded the Spanish Troops quartered in the Country near Gibraltar, the present Commander of those Troops M. de Louvigny upon Application made to him by Major Elrington, refused to let them pass to the Town. Hereupon Major Elrington sent hither an Officer to represent this to Collonel Stanhope, His Britannick Majesty's Minister, who communicating it to the Marquess de Tólosa Secretary at War, he was assured by him, that the Marquess de Louvigny had no Orders for what he had done, that he would represent the Affair to his Catholick Majesty, and procure all the Satisfaction that could be desired. Accordingly two Days ago the Marquess delivered to Collonel Stanhope an Order for the Captain-General of Andalusia, commanding him not only to suffer

the 40 Bullocks mentioned before to pass to Gibraltar, but also to permit the free Entry of all Sorts of Provisions, with a strict Order to maintain a friendly Correspondence with the Garrison for the future. The Duke of Leeds who came lately hither, having desired Leave to wait on the King at the Escorial, to offer him his Services for the re-establishing of his Marine, and sent his Majesty a Plan upon that Subject; his Catholick Majesty has excused himself from accepting his Offer, and therefore sent him Word that he would not have him give himself the Trouble of repairing to the Escorial. We have Advice, that Captain Strickland with three or four British Men of War, is in the Road of Gibraltar, on his Way to England.

Malaga, Aug. 27. The Barbicour and two other British Men of War are now in our Offing, coming in.

Admiralty Office, Sept. 8, 1720.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby give Notice, that the Men who belonged to the Royal Oak at Chatham, are to be removed into the Nassau there, and that the Wages due to them in the Royal Oak will be paid them on board the Nassau at the Nore, and therefore it is their Lordship's Direction, that they do immediately repair to their Duty, or otherwise they will not only forfeit the Wages due to them, but be proceeded against as Deserters.

Admiralty Office, Sept. 8, 1720.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are pleased to direct, that the Men absent from His Majesty's Ships Ipswich, Lyme, Windsor, and Panther at Portsmouth, and from the Deptford at Sheerness, do immediately repair to their Duty on board the said Ships, otherwise they will not only forfeit the Wages due to them, but be proceeded against as Deserters.

Navy-Office, Sept. 7, 1720.

This is to give Notice, that the worshipful the Governours of the Chest at Chatham will pay all the Arrears due to the Pensioners belonging to that Charity to Lady-Day last: And that the said Pay will begin on Tuesday the 8th of November 1720, at the Hill-House at Chatham.

General-Post-Office, London, Sept 5, 1720.

Whereas the Bristol Mail dispatched from thence on Saturday the 3d Instant, was last Night between 11 and 12 a-Clock robbed upon the Road between Har-hatch and Maidenhead, by one Highwayman, who took several Letters out of the Bath and Bristol Bags: These are therefore to give Notice, that whoever apprehends the said Person concerned in this Robbery, so as to have him convicted of the same, shall receive a Reward of One Hundred Pounds to be paid by the Receiver General of the Post-Office in London, over and above the Reward directed by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen. N. B. The Person who committed this Robbery was mounted on black Horse.

