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Plmouth, July 17.

His Majesty, together with his Royal Highness, and his Highness Prince Rupert, attended by several of the chiefest of the Nobility, arriving on Thursday the 13 instant at *Portsmouth*, that afternoon was pleased to visit the Ships in the Port, and especially the new Ship called the *Great James*, and the next morning went thence in his Yachts to *Faymouth* in the Isle of *Wight*, where His Majesty arrived about two a clock in the afternoon, being saluted by all the Guns in the Castle, and received by Sir *Robert Holmes*, Governor of the Ill. of *Wight*, by whom His Majesty, his Royal Highness, and his Highness Prince Rupert, as likewise the rest of the Nobility that attended His Majesty, were treated at a very noble and plentiful Dinner; after which, His Majesty, accompanied by his Royal Highness, was pleased to visit some part of the Island on Horseback, and the next Morning to goe and see *Hurst-Castle*, returning again about Noon, when His Majesty, and Royall Highness, were again, together with the Nobility that attended them, entertained by Sir *Robert Holmes* at a very Noble Dinner prepared in a large Tent erected for that purpose; that Afternoon his Majesty and Royall Highness, were pleased to go on board their Yachs again, and about eight at night arrived at *St. Helens*, where the *Forefight*, *Diamond*, *Swallow*, *Assurance* and *Greenwich* Frigats lay ready to attend his Majesty to the Westward, whither they all failed that night with a Northerly wind; the next day the wind was calm and not so favorable, and this day his Majesty together with his Royal Highness, about 6. a clock in the evening arrived in this Port, having been met by the Right Honorable the Earl of *Bath* the Governor, in his *Shalop*, and saluted by all the Cannon of the Cittadels and Forts, with some numbers of People in the meantime crowding the Shore.

Milan, July 1. On Monday last our Governor, together with his Lady, accompanied by several persons of quality, went to pass some days in the Country, from whence we expect they may return again to morrow or next day.

By Letters from *Fins* of the 24th past, we are told, that the day before, there parted out of the River of *Vado*, Nine French Gallies, under the command of Monsieur de *Vigoque*, but that the weather proving bad, and the Wind high and contrary, they were forced to put in again. Some days since passed this place the Marquis *Don Ercole Visconti* on his way to *Rome*, where it is said, he is to have some considerable employment near the Popes person.

Rathbonne, July 9. The Affairs at this Diet proceeded slowly: Yesterday was at length concluded the business concerning the regulating of Money for the future in the Empire, and especially of Rixdollars, in which it seems hath been found great abuses.

The Bishop of *Aichstat*, Commissioner for the Emperor, at the Diet, is suddenly expected in Town again.

We are told that at *Swaben*, *Frankfurt*, and other places, they continue with much diligence the Levies for the Emperors service.

Venice, July 10. By Letters arrived this week from Procurator *Nani*, Commissioner from this State, for the adjusting the matter of the Limits in *Dalmatia*, we are told, that all things in those parts continue in a very quiet and peaceable condition; and that he was making necessary preparations for his journey to *Cliis*, where he is to meet with the Basia of *Bossina*, appointed on the part of the Grand Signior, to treat with him about those affairs.

We have advice of the Turkish Fleet having been lately seen near *Fuglia*, though without doing the least harm as we can yet hear of, in those or other parts this Summer, except the surprizing of some Vessels belonging to those Countries, as are not in amity with the Port.

We discourse here very variously at present of the Grand Signiors March; some say, it is towards *Sophia*, others towards *Belgrade*, though all agree, that his Army will be far greater then was formerly thought it would have been; and it is much feared, he may after all, attempt something in *Poland* or *Hungary* this Summer, though we seem here to have great reason to hope he will not.

This Senate hath, as is said, sent directions to General *Barbaro* in *Dalmatia*, to repair forthwith to *Istria*, for the adjusting some differences there, and for the assigning to the Greeks who came from *Candia*, their several proportions of Lands and Houses, a thing which will very much contribute to the quiet of those parts; Signior *Giorgio Morosini*, who is appointed to succeed the said General *Barbaro* in *Dalmatia*, is preparing for his journey thither, and as is thought, may depart from hence, about the beginning of the next week; the Galley which is to transport him, and all other things being in a perfect readines.

Heidelbergh, July 12. The eighth instant in the evening arrived here the Marquess *de Grana* from *Mentz*, and was lodged that night in the Castle by order of his Electoral Highness, of whom he had audience the next morning, concerning Affairs of very great importance; having staid there that day, the next, he parted again for *Mentz*, intending to proceed with all imaginable hast from thence to *Cologne*, to renew again the Conferences between the Deputies of the Respective Mediators, which since the absence of the said Marquess have been discontinued.

Our Advices received lately from thence, give us little encouragement to hope for any success in the concluding of those affairs, that Elector insisting still on his first demands, which the Town hath declared they cannot agree to

From *Sarwaerden*, we are told, that the Mareschal *de Crequi*, was come to encamp with his forces near that place.

Warsaw July 13. From *Lemburgh* of the 26th instant

instant they write; that the Tartars had lately made another incursion into those Frontier Countries, and besides the other dammages they had done, had carryed away with them several Thousand of those poor Inhabitants, together with their Cattle, and what of their goods they could make portable; but that the Nobility thereabouts, having upon the Allarme gathered together into a sufficient Body, went immediately in pursuit of this Band of Robbers, whom they overtook as they were dividing their plunder, without the least apprehension of their approach, and so in no condition to receive an Enemy; the Poles making use of the advantage, together with the assistance of those Christian Slaves the Tartars were carrying away, soon routed them, and besides the goods and people they recovered again, took about 1000 horses; of the Tartars one hundred onely escaped, the rest were either taken or slain.

We are told, that there are on their way hither, Four Deputies from *Hanenko*, one of the Generals of the Cossacks; that their errand is to desire his Majesty to send with all the hast that may be, sufficient Forces into the *Ukrain*, to joyn with those under his command, for the securing that Country, (against the designs and practices of *Dorosensko*) under the Obedience of the Crown of Poland.

Francfort, July 19. The French Forces lye still encamped on the *Sarre*, as we are told, expecting the arrival of several Troops out of *Flanders* to joyn with them. All the discourse here is at present concerning the affairs of *Cologne*, and the common report speaks of nothing but a rupture.

Cologne, July 21. Here is a report as if Colonel *Kilmanec*, who formerly served in *Candia*, was coming hither with two Regiments from the Emperor, to be employed for the defence of this place. Our Treaty remains in one posture, though in the interim our Fortifications advance better, and are now almost finished. Our Magistrates are still raising of Men, and laying up Provisions of Corn, and other necessaries; so that if all means for an accommodation fail, we hope we shall at least be in a condition to defend our selves. The Marquess *de Grana* is returned hither again.

Hamburgh, July 21. The Dukes of *Luxenburgh* have disbanded several Troops, some of which are since come to take service here: In the interim our Magistrates are very active in seeing everything put into a posture of defence, and omit nothing which may add to the security of the place. There is at present in the Town 800 new raised men, to whom Arms are giving out, and more men raising: On the Fortifications they work with all imaginable diligence. It hath been reported for some days, that the Danish Fleet was out, but proves to have been without any ground.

Letters from *Mosko* of the 18th of *June*, confirm what was said in our last concerning *Stephen Radzin*, having been brought prisoner thither, and there executed by the *Czars* order.

Lisbonne, *June* 22 Two days since there was here an *Auto du Fe*; the number of the Jews that came out of the Inquisition was about fourescore, whereof two were burnt, the rest being otherwise disposed of.

We are told of an Order of the Council of State past the 18th instant, by which it is said, it is ordered, That all those that for the future come out of the Inquisition, profess Jews, shall be banished; and that if any Gentleman shall hereafter marry into the Family of a new Christian, whose Ancestors were Jews, he shall lose his Gentility.

Yesterday Monsieur *St. Romain*, Ambassador from his most Christian Majesty, took his leave of the Prince Regent, and afterwards of the Queen, being conducted to his Audience by the Marquess *de Marialva*; it is reported that Monsieur *Verjeux*, is appointed by that King to succeed here with the Character of Envoy Extraordinary.

The Popes Nuncio hath not yet had his publick Audience, but may in a day or two, in the mean time he hath performed the Ceremony of Consecration of the Archbishop of *Goa*, the Bishop of *Aguarda*, and the Bishop of *Leiria*, who have since likewise Consecrated the Bishop of *Martiria*, and the Bishop of *Viseu*.

Brussels, July 22. The Cavalry which of late were quartered about this place, are now marching to their former quarters again. We have advice from *Acsh*, that there is at present in Garrison onely one French Regiment of Foot, three Companies of *Swissers*, and one Troop of Horse. The Spanish Infantry which were lately sent from hence to *Mons*, are ordered to return hither again. His Excellency the Count *de Monterey* went hence on Monday last, to visit *Mons*, *Valenciennes*, *Condè*, and several other places in those parts; and at the same time likewise parted the Duke *de Villa Hermosa* General of the Cavalry by his Excellencies order for *Leeuwe*, to see the Fortifications and all other things be in a good condition there. The Count *Mercyn* is gone to *Namur* upon the same account.

Paris, July 23. The Kings journey to *Rochefort* and *Rochelle*, intended to have been about the middle of the next Month, is now said to be wholly off again. On Monday next the King goes to *Versailles*, and from thence the week following to *Fontainbleau*, where his Majesty purposes not to pass above 14 days at farthest.

Monsieur *Courtin* designed Ambassador to the States General of the United Provinces, will not, it is said, part so soon on that employment, as was at first thought; and in the meantime the King hath appointed the Sieur *Bernard*, at present at the *Hague*, to take care of his affairs there.

Hague, July 24. The 22. instant in the morning his Highness the Prince of *Orange* returned hither again in perfect health; his Highness had received a slight hurt in his face, by the overturning of his Coach in his journey, but not at all considerable.

On Sunday last the Velt Marshal *Wurtz* went back for *Wrecht*, and yesterday returned again to this place, which hath occasioned a general discourse of the forming very suddenly a Flying Army, so often spoken of, which is to be encamped on the *Rhyne*. Here are Letters in Town which speak of Monsieur *de Groot*s arrival at the French Court. Colonel *Bampfild* is still here, and hath made his report to the States General of the present posture of affairs relating to the Town of *Cologne*, whether he is returning again in a day or two. The States of *Holland* are still assembled, but as is said, may part again about the beginning of the next week. This day the Heer *van Odyke* arrived here from *Zeland*, the States of that Province being separated again. From *Bylevelt* they write, that the States Assembled there for the Circle of *Westphalia*, have resolved to raise forthwith 20 or 24000 Men, for the security of those Countries.

From *Cologn* our Letters tell us, that they have now quite layd aside all hopes of an accommodation, and are providing for their own defence and security.