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Portsmouth, Sept. 29.

Here is lately put in the *Constant Warwick* from the *Streights*, and may with the first opportunity sayl for the River of *Thames*, together with the *Phoenix* Frigate for the *Downes*.

Madrid, Sept. 30. On Sunday the 27 instant, was solemnised here the Canonisation of *St. Luis Bertran*, Native of *Valencia*, and *Santa Rosa de Santa Maria de Lyms*, in the *West Indies*, by the Dominican Friars of this place with much Solemnity: the Ceremony was performed, as is usual, in a large Procession (the Streets which it was to pass, having to that end been most richly adorned with stately Altars, Hangings, and other costly ornaments) composed of several Companies of Tradesmen; next the Religious Orders, carrying with them the Statues of several Saints, adorned with Jewels and other rich Vestments, then followed the secular Priests, bringing up the Statues of the New Saints in a Triumphant Chariot; great numbers of the Nobility and Gentry concluding the Procession.

Some days since the Envoy from the Duke of *Savoy*, had his last Audience of their Majesties in order to his return home. Monsieur *Haquedorn* the Danish Resident, after several Months absence, is lately returned to this Court, though not to make any long stay, he being to be succeeded here, by an Envoy Extraordinary from that Crown. The young King hath been for some days a little indisposed, but is at present pretty well again.

From *Odiz* they write of the 20 instant, that the *Diamond* and *Holmes* Frigats, together with the Argiers man of War arrived there, with three or four Merchant men under their Convoy from *England*; That the *Holmes* and the Argiers Frigats, were gone to cruise before *Sally*, and that the *Diamond* remained there, bound for the *Streights*. We are told, that the Marquis *d' Astorgas* Ambassador from this Crown at *Rome*, and at present designed Vice-Roy of *Naples*, hath orders sent him, not to stir from thence, till such time as Don *Pedro d' Arragon* shall be arrived here from that Government, which it is thought, will hardly be till towards the Spring; in the interim the Marquis *de Liche* hath been nominated by her Majesty, to succeed the said Marquis *d' Astorgas* in his Embassy at *Rome*.

Some days since was killed in Duel here, Don *Henriques de Pimentel*, Natural Son to the late Marquis *de Tivora*, by one of the Captains of the Kings Regiment of Guards. The Marquis *de Fresno* is preparing for his Embassy to *England*; From *Barcelona* they tell us, that there was arrived 4 Gallies of *Naples*.

Lisbonne, Sept. 21. The 17 instant the Ambassador from the Great Master and Order of *Malta*, took his leave of the Prince Regent, and afterwards of the Queen, in order to his return from this Court. The Decree against the Jews, which was formerly spoken of, and since thought to be wholly layd aside, is at length revived again, it being resolved, that all that have come out of the Inquisi-

tion confessed Jews, since the last general pardon, which was in the year 1606, shall be banished this Kingdom, together with their Wives, Children, and Grand Children; but this is lookt upon as a matter of so great consequence, that it seems hardly to be believed, that it will take effect.

The Armada of this Crown continues still abroad, but no farther then the Bay of *Cascais*. The last week went from *Setuball*, 34 Ships laden with Salt, upon the account of the States General of the United Provinces, bound for *Holland* and those other Provinces; there are yet remaining as many more, which when dispatched, this Crowne will have paid those States half a Million in Salt, half of what by the last agreement they are obliged to pay them. Here hath been a discourse as if the Prince Regent was sending an Ambassador Extraordinary to *France*, though without any great certainty as yet. Monsieur *d' Estrees* Vice Admiral of *France*, is coming in here with five Frigats under his command, having left, as we are told, six other of his Squadron to continue cruising before *Sally*. The *Seur de St. Romaine*, Ambassador here from his most Christian Majesty, will in few days imbarke on this Squadron for *France*.

Venice, Octob. 2. From the Port they seem to write at present of nothing, save of the great alarme they had received from the parts about *Meca*, of a revolt there of many thousands of those Inhabitants, under the Conduct of a Turkish Basha, who pretended to be descended from *Mahomet*; to which joyning other pretences, which might best insnare the ordinary people to his party, had now, finding he had been sufficiently successful, in the getting together a very considerable body, quite shaken off his Allegiance to the Grand Signior, and was onely thinking how to maintain himself in his usurped Authority; That the Grand Signior was sending all the Forces he can possibly bring together on this suddain, to stop this disorder in its Infancy; the grand Vizier being to command them in person, and to march thither immediately; however the great distance of those parts, and the desarts those Forces are to pass, make most people believe, some time and labor will be spent, before this disturbance can be quelled, and things resetled there in their former peace and quietness; in the mean time the Grand Signior will continue with his Court at *Bursia*, not far from *Constantinople*, where we are told, the Sultans party against all expectation, begins at present to decline, the great Men who have hitherto adhered to her interest, choosing rather to unite on this publick occasion, then farther to weaken the whole Empire by their civil dissensions. Here hath been a strong report for several days about Town, as if the French Fleet who have been cruising some time in these Seas, under the command of Monsieur *d' Almeras*, had lately seized on one of the Islands in the *Archipelago*, some saying it is *Andros*, others *Miconos*, or *Mstelene*; And that the *Malta* Gallies having met with a part of the Turkish Fleet, had so warmly engaged them, as to take some of them and sink others, the rest being forced to save themselves by flight; of both which

we must expect a more particular confirmation, before we give any absolute credit to them.

We are told, of some Letters at present in Town from *Corfu*, which speak of the death of the *Baylo de Molino*, Ambassador from this State at the Port, but whilst the Senate nor none of the relations of the said Ambassador, have any advice thereof, we hope it may not be so.

Procurator *Nani* continues to desire the Senate, that considering there is at present not any necessity for his stay in *Dalmatia*, since all things there are wholly at a stand, by the death of the late *Bassa of Bosnia*, Plenipotentiary on the part of the Port in the matter of the Limits, he may have leave to come hither for some time, on condition he return again at Spring, or sooner, if the Senate shall think fit. General *Morosini* is pretty well recovered of his late illness. Signior *Andrea V.lier*, Governor of *Corfu*, *Zant*, &c. is on his departure to that Government accordingly.

Milan, Sept. 30. From *Turin* they write, that the Duke of *Savoie* was to the great joy of that Court, perfectly recovered of his late indisposition; that his Highness had thoughts of going very suddenly for *Nice* to pass some time there; That the *Sieur du Clo* was returned thither from *France*, in order to the raising a Regiment of 500 Hrs, formerly spoken of, and which is to be commanded by *Monfieur de Lusinge*.

From *Genova* they tell us, of the arrival of the *Viner* an English Merchant man, and that *Don Hippolito Centurione*, was then in Port with the French Galley under his Command; that his most Christian Majesty continued to desire of that Senate to raise Men in the Isle of *Corfica*, but that they had prayed to be excused in that particular, seeing that Isle could not spare any of its Inhabitants. Our Governour the Duke of *Osuna*, continues still to defer the putting in execution the so much desired Reformation of the late new raised Troops, not without giving much dissatisfaction to the Gentry of these Countries, especially seeing he hath already had orders from the Queen for it.

Warsaw, Sept. 25. From *Zamosk*s they write, that their Majesties arriving there from *Lublin*, had been for several days entertained by the Princess *Wisnowitski* the Kings Mother, with all the magnificence imaginable; that the King having left the Queen there, was gone for *Lopols*, from whence it is thought, his Majesty will march in the head of those Palatinats, which have appeared in the Field, towards the *Ukraine*; in the interim, the great General *Sobieski* hath sent to know of the King, whether he should come and meet him with the Army, or expect his Majesties arrival at *Barre*, and that in case he came not into the *Ukraine*, that his Majesty would give orders for the appointing their winter quarters, &c. Here is a discourse as if the Queen was with Child again, and that this might hasten the Courts return hither.

The disturbance which according to our advices from all parts, hath lately happened in the Ottoman Territories near *Meca*, seems to secure us for some time at least from the designs of the Grand Signior, seeing he will be forced to employ his Forces that way.

From the *Ukraine* they write, that the Cossacks since the late defeat they suffered by our Army, begin to rally again, having to that end had several parties of Tartars come to their assistance, though it is hoped, that his Majesties presence in those parts, will wholly settle that Country under the Obedience of this Crown.

Brussels, Octob. 11. This morning his Excellency

the Count de *Monterey* went hence for *Antwerp* intending after some days stay there to proceed towards *Gelderland* and *Luxembourg*; the Prince d' *Archemburgh* late Governor of *Bourgogne*, the Duke de *villa Alermosa* General of the Cavalry, and several other persons of quality accompanying his Excellency in this Journey. The Count *Martin* is at present here, being left by his Excellency to command in chief during his absence.

Brussels, Octob. 16. This Town having, as hath been said, consented to the 1200 thousand Gilders in as much as concerneth their particulars; his Excellency hath farther desired of them, 300000 Gilders, for the carrying on the Fortifications of this place; it is said, that the *Sieur de Mafierre* Governor of *Enguien*, having acquainted his Excellency that the French seemed to threaten, upon what had lately happened between him and several French Cavaliers, who pursued some French Soldiers that had deserted their service, to seize on his person even in *Enguien*, his Excellency hath ordered three or four Troops of Horse to be quartered in that Garrison.

From *Spain* they write, of 600000 Ducats which are to be remitted hither by the first; as likewise, that there are raising 5000 Men more for the service of these Countries.

Antwerp, Oct. 10. Letters from *Zealand* tell us, That the prohibition of French Wines, &c. so long and so earnestly debated in the States General, is not likely to take place this year, the Deputies of that Province having contrary to all expectation, and the opinion of the rest of the Provinces, openly opposed the thing when it was last proposed. They add, that the States having heard by Letters from *England*, that the *Merlin* Yacht returning from cruising Northwards, had reported, that falling in with some of the Dutch Fleet she had made them strike to her; they immediately writ to all the Admirals of their several Squadrons, to be informed of the truth of it; but *de Ruyter* having been called to give in his Report of what had passed in the Fleet this whole Summe, assured them the *English* Yacht had never appeared in the Fleet since the time she carried by the *Lady Temple*; so that it's concluded there, that Yacht must have fallen in with the *Greenland* Convoy, which the *English* give out for their advantage to have been their Fleet.

It's proposed, that though the Fleet be in the general layd up this winter, yet a part of the Mariners to be kept in half pay for their better encouragement, and to answer all sudden occasions.

Hague, October 11. On Friday last the States of *Holland* parted, after having resolved on their using the Moneys required for the defraying the extraordinary charges of this year; and amongst other things, that every Barge of Beer shall pay an additional excise of two Stivers, more than what it is already Taxed. His Highness the Prince of *Orange* is at present at *Zuylstein*, and as is thought, may continue there yet 14 days. The Heer *van Brederode* is much recovered of his late illness. The Velt Marshal *Wurts* is still here, but parts to morrow for *Utrecht*.

From *Cologne* they tell us, of the apprehensions they have, notwithstanding the approach of the winter season, of some design on foot against them, their Elector bringing dayly more Forces very near that place, and making other preparations, which favors little of peace. We are told of a Treaty concluded between the Elector of *Brandenburgh* and Dukes of *Lunenburgh* and *Brunswick*, for the keeping on foot 15000 men for the defence of *Cologne*.