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Truro, April 1.

ON Friday last was brought into *St. Ives* by Captain *Howard*, Commander of the Noble *Katherine* of London, a Dutch Flyboat of three hundred Tuns belonging to *Amsterdam*, being laden with Salt and Brandy from *Kochel*; there were three other Dutch Vessels in her Company, which Captain *Howard*, as soon as he had put his Prize in there, went out to Sea again to follow; so that we are in expectation of having a farther account of them.

Lisbonne, March 1. Here is arrived the *Conde de Humancz*, Ambassador from the Crown of *Spain*; The Prince being now returned with the Court from *Salva-tierra*, it is thought, this Ambassador may very suddenly have his publick Audience. Yesterday set sail from hence, two Dutch men of War homeward bound. There are now in this Port and at *Scitubal*, about fourscore sayle of Dutch Merchant men lading Salt, partly upon the States account, and partly for particular persons; it is thought they may be all ready to sayle in three weeks or a Month. We daily expect here the *Sieur d' Auberville*, Envoy from his most Christian Majesty.

Madrid, March 16. The Envoy from the Elector of *Coblenz*, continues still here, taking all occasions to assure this Crown, of his Masters constant resolutions to preserve as far as in him lies, the Peace of the Empire, and of his affection to the Interests of this Crown. On *Thursday*, the *Marquis d' Etiche* entertained their Majesties with a Comedy, and other Diversions in the Palace, as the next day did the Prince of *Stigliano*, to the great satisfaction of their Majesties and the whole Court.

We are in daily expectation to hear of the arrival of *Don Pedro d' Arragon* in the *Neopolitan* Gallies at *Cadix*, which are at present Commanded by *Don Beltran de Gijón*, in the absence of the Duke of *Ferrandini*, General of the Gallies of that Kingdom; who as we are told is to go hence on the next Month, to be Vice Roy of *Mexico*. We do not as yet hear, that the *Conde de Humancz*, Ambassador from hence to the Crown of *Portugal*, is arrived at *Lisbonne* although some expected it. At *Sa Sebastião* is late by arrived a Vessel from the *West Indies*, with advice that the last years Fleet, arrived at *Veracray* the 23rd September last, and that the *Conde de Lemp*, Vice Roy of *Pern*, had of late made great provision for the security of these parts.

Here is expected the *Sieur d' Auberville*, in his way to the Court of *Portugal*, whither he goes to reside in quality of Envoy from his most Christian Majesty. From *Rangoer* they tell us, that the Mole here is the second of the Winter, which have continued very violent from *November* last, till almost this present Month, without the least damage; That his Excellency the Earl of *Middleton*, Governor of this place, having lately appointed Commissioners to take a Survey of that Work; it was found to have been increased in length since the last Survey 43 Yards, the Foundation being car-

ried out above 20 Yards farther, so that the whole Mole is at present 450 Yards in length; They continue to work daily on it, not without making considerable progress, to the great encouragement of the Inhabitants there.

Dantzick, March 26. From *Warsaw* they write, that nothing had been concluded in the Senate, which the King had Assembled after the breaking up of the Dyet, save that another Dyet should be appointed against the middle of *May* next. The King intends to goe very suddenly for *Czenstochow*, on the frontiers of *Silesia*, as is said to perform his Devotions there, though as some say, to confer with a person of great Quality, who is to come thither privately from his Imperial Majesty. The Poles begin to be daily more and more alarmed at the preparations of the Grand Signior, as is said, against them, especially at a time when their Forces are small, and inconsiderable, and the factions and discontents amongst themselves very great and dangerous; however, to use all endeavors for the preventing this Storm, the King hath appointed the Crown-Treasurer to goe to the Port in quality of Extraordinary Ambassador, to endeavor to compose matters before they break out into a Rupture.

Cologne, April 5. The French Troops which are quartered in these parts, are as we are told, ordered to march the 12 instant, and amongst the rest the Kings Guards that are here, for *Metz*, where his most Christian Majesty is expected about the latter end of this Month, in whose room it is said, above 35 thousand men are to come down into these parts, under the Command of the Prince de *Condé*.

The Duke of *Luxemburgh* is at present at *Namur*, forwarding what is in him lies, the Fortifications there, and especially the new Citadell, on which they constantly work with extraordinary diligence.

Brussels, April 6. The Heer de *Witt*, *Rumart van Patten*, is returned from the *Hague* where he hath been to confer with those States concerning several matters relating to these Countreys.

To morrow his Excellency the Count de *Monte-rey* will goe hence to *Archeleon*, to take a review of some Troops that are arrived there from *Holland*. The Envoy from his most Christian Majesty hath as we are told, obtained all imaginable satisfaction in the affair he came about: The French vessels Ropped at *Nimur* having by his Excellencies Order, been released and permitted to pass, as intended for *Liege*, *Hague*, April 8. The Deputies which have been at *Helvoet sluyt* on the part of the States-Generall, to take an account of the posture our Maritime preparations are there in, are returned again, and have been in the Assembly of the States, to make their report to them, Lieutenant-Admiral de *Ruyter*, with several other Chief Officers of our Fleet, are present in Town, and have frequent conferences with the Council of State.

We are told of an Extraordinary Ambassador the *Schick* is sending to the Crown of *Spain*, but as yet we know not the person appointed for that employment. The Heer de *Grdot*, is daily expected here from *Paderborn*, from whence we hear of nothing but