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Plimonth, April 30.

WE have advice, that Captain *Clerke* in the *Nightingal*, hath brought into *Falmouth*, a Dutch Ship, laden with 300 Pipes of Canary Wines, besides other rich Commodities from *Guiney*, where it is said, she hath been Trading for some time.

Warsaw, April 8. What was said in our last, concerning the confederated Companies in the *Ukraine*, having by the persuasions of the Grand Marshal *Sobieski* been brought to the Army again, comes at present confirmed from all hands, though not so much to our satisfaction as before, we having some cause to suspect, that the intention of bringing back these discontented Troops, is not so much to unite them for the publick good, as that they may infect the rest. *Dorofenko* continues with much earnestness his applications to the Grand Marshal, for the accommodating matters with this Crown, to which he is the more powerfully perswaded, through the daily decrease of his power in those parts, and the just apprehension he may have, that he shall not be able to maintain himself against the Forces of this Crown, except assisted from abroad, on which he now seems not with so much confidence to rely as formerly, the Tartars having, as is said, failed him of their promised assistance, and as for the Turks it is rather thought, that he does not desire their succour, as daring hardly to trust their Friendship. We seem for the present very secure here, that the Ottoman preparations do not concern us farther, than as it is feared, they are intended against the Empire, and therefore we seem the more slowly to proceed for the making any provision for our security; we have had Letters from the Port, which tell us, that the Grand Signior continues with his Court at *Adrianople*, diverting himself with Hunting, whilst in the mean time the Grand Visier is altogether intent upon the War, for which he makes vast preparations, and will have as is said, an Army of 80000 Foot and 40000 Horse in the Field this Summer; That the report there was, that they were to march directly against this Crown, for the protecting the Rebel Cossacks in the *Ukraine*; but this we are very willing to believe, to be only a pretence to amuse those whom those Forces are indeed designed against. However the King with several of the Senators, seems in the interim very sensible of the present condition of this Kingdom, and are using all possible diligence to put us into a good posture of defence, though it be a work of extraordinary difficulty, by reason of the many Factions which at present discompose these Countries.

Cologne, May 6 On Wednesday last passed by this place about 30 great Vessels, laden with Ammunition and other Military provisions for *Nuis*; several thousand Men are likewise expected to come down from *Metz* by water, who being to pass this place, it is said, our Magistrates have accordingly ordered, that they shall be furnished with what Provisions or other necessaries they may want here. The

The Bishop of *Strasbourg*, together with Monsieur *Verjus*, are some days since gone for *Bon*, to confer with our Elector there. The Prince of *Co. de* is coming down with his Army into these parts. The Sieur de *Chamilly* is going to *Munster*, to Command the Forces of that Bishop, which now consist of above 3000 Men.

Hague, N^o 16. The States of *Holland* are at present assembled, and have as we are told by their Deputies, proposed to the States-General, the sending an Extraordinary Ambassador to the Court at *Vienna*, and to several of the Princes of the Empire, who appear not now so ready to embrace our Interests, as we had at first flattered our selves. The States have ordered two Regiments more to march forthwith for *Maestricht*, for the reinforcing of that Garrison. The Bishop of *Munster* is bringing a very considerable Army together, which is said will be ready to march the 11 or 12 instant, when we may expect to hear that that Bishop will declare against this State. Some days since was a Muster of several Regiments of Horse and Foot at *Scheveling*, where they are now quartered for the security of our coasts; The interruption of all Trade at Sea, as well as the uncomfortable advices we receive from all our Frontiers of the approach of the French Armies, together with the heavy Taxes which are laid upon us here at home, cannot but very much distract the people here, who now begin to think the danger so imminent, that from several Towns they send their Goods to *Antwerp* and other places in *Flanders*, whither many of the Inhabitants likewise themselves retire. From *Hambrough* we have advice, that that Senate had refused to permit any Levies to be made within their Territories for the service of this State; certain it is our Officers do not find men so ready to come into the service as we had hoped, so that it is feared that the Troops which are now raising, will hardly be able to be completed within the time appointed by the States.

Disso, 10. The four Troops of Horse, Commanded by the Heer *vander Lecque*, the Heer *van Opdam*, the Heer *van Voorschooten*, and the Heer *van Langewelt* are ordered to march towards the *Rhyne*. The States of *Holland* and *West-Friesland* may now in a day or two give out the Commissions for the raising of 16 Regiments of Foot, besides those Levies which are now in hand. The States-General have appointed the Heer *Cornelius van Vrybergen*, and the Heer *Jacques van Ghemmenich* to be together with the Heer *de Witt Ruwaert van Putten* their Plenipotentiaries on board their Fleet this Summer. Yesterday went hence the Count *van Horne* towards *Aernhem*. We daily expect Count *Coningsmark* to arrive here, he being to Command our Infantry in Quality of Lieutenant-General.

Doesburgh, May 7. Here are arrived the Heer *Ripperda*, and the Velt Marshal *Wurtz* from *Antwerp*, where they had been to confer with the Count of *Monterey*, Governor of the Spanish Netherlands. Several Troops daily arrive here, as well as at *Aernhem* and *Zurphes*, so that we expect to hear very suddenly of the forming of an Army in these parts;