

some Neighbouring place, or whither else they should think fit, which they accordingly did, the Prince having with his Forces entred the place, before the coming away of these Letters; We are since certainly informed, that the Bishop of Munster hath taken the Castle of *Groll* in the County of *Zutphen*, and that he at present besieges *Swoll*, *Emmerick* and *Rees*, are likewise besieged by his most Christian Majesty, as *Nimmegen* is by the Prince of *Conde*, from whence here arrived last night a Passenger, who tells us, that he verily believes he was the last that got out of the place, before the Siege was laid to it; And from *Holland* they write, that these heavy tidings arriving one at the heels of another, had put the people into a general Consternation, insomuch that their Men quit their Service daily.

Ostend, June 11. The 8 instant we had advice here, of the Dutch being engaged with the English Fleet, but cannot yet learn any farther particulars, then that the fight continued hot all Tuesday till Sun-set, and that the Dutch Fleet is since retired into the shallows of *Schonevelt* and the *Weilings*, having been followed by the English Fleet within few Leagues of the Banks on these Coasts: By a Vessel arrived from *Middleburgh* we have advice, that there was come in several Ships extremely torn and disabled, amongst which was the Ships of Vice-Admiral *Van Nests*, and Vice-Admiral *Everson*, having lost abundance of their Men; that Captain *Brackel's* Ship was with much difficulty brought in there, the Captain and most of his Men killed, there being of 360 that were on board this Ship, but 60 left alive, and many of them wounded; they confess they have lost three of their stoutest Men of War, one taken, one sunk, and the third mounted with 72 Guns, blown up by her own Powder after the Fight, besides 8 or 9 more that are still missing, which they say they hope are gone Northwards, the winds having been that day and the next so high and contrary, that they could not make any of their Ports in *Zealand* or *Holland*. Lieu. Admiral *Van Ghent* was killed in the beginning of the Engagement, his Captain having afterwards lost his Leg and been mortally wounded, besides many other considerable Commanders that have been killed in this Fight; in the meantime we are in daily expectation of further particulars of this action, which hitherto is observed to be kept more private than is usual in that Country when their success is good.

Amsterdam June 10. Our Fleet is returned to the *Weilings*, with much damage, having bin forced to leave the Sea to the *English*, who not only followed them home, but are still on the Coast before *Zealand*, to make their Victory indisputable. It hath been a fierce Fight, and yet we cannot hear of any one English Ship brought in here, or to *Rotterdam*, nor any Prisoners. Abundance of wounded men are brought up here from our Fleet, and a great number of Men we hear are killed; we cannot yet learn the particulars, nor of what Ships we have lost, but hear of several Ships that are missing, and many come in heavily torn and disabled. We are told, that the Earl of *Sandwich*, Admiral of the Blew Squadron, had been for several hours engaged with many of our Men of War; that he had disabled 7 of our Ships, amongst which was Lieu. Admiral *Van Ghent's* Ship, Vice-admiral *Van Nests* Ship, and Capt. *Brackel's*; that he had put off 3 Fireships, but was at last burnt by the Fourth. We are told that *Van Nests*, whilst he lay by the English Admiral of the Blew, 3 English Seaman ran up to his Main-top-mast-head, and took down his Pendant, but ere they could get down again, the said *Van Nests* had sheared off, so that the said 3 Seamen were left on board him. *Van Ghent* is killed, Capt. *Brackel* very dangerously wounded, but not yet dead, having lost his Lieutenant and most of his Men; *De Ruyter* had great numbers of Men killed on Board him, which were supplied him from other Ships, to keep up the respect of our Admiral. The French have taken *Rhynebergh*, *Wesel*, *Ostoy*, and *Burich*; and we hear of other places Besieged, which puts us in great confusion.

Southwold June 3. Yesterday His Majesties Fleet under the Command of his Royal Highness, were seen to come to an Anchor in this Bay about 3 leagues off of the shoar, and the next day the wind coming Northerly, they weighed again, and stood off to Sea towards the S E.

Whitehal, June 4. Le Sieur *Ralinere* tres le loix, Rear-Admiral of the French Squadron, is dead of the Wounds he received in the late Engagement, at *Charham*, where his Ship is come in extremely maimed and shattered.

Ditto, June 3. At a Chapter held at *Whitehal* by His Majesty, Sovereign, with divers Knights, Companions of the most Noble Order of the Garter, on the 29 past, being the day of His Majesties Birth and most happy Restauration, were elected the Right Honourable, Henry Marquis of Worcester, Lord President of His Majesties Council of Wales and the Marches of the same; the Earl of S. Albans, Lord Chamberlain of His Majesties Household, and the Earl of Bedford, who being called in by Garter Principal King of Arms, had accordingly with the usual Ceremony the George and Garter delivered to them; and upon Monday following, being the 3 instant. the Sovereign having authorized his Grace the Duke of Ormond, and his Grace the Duke of Albemarle, Knights of the Order, his Commissioners to install them in the Chappel of the Castle of Windsor, the proper place for that solemnity; about 10 a clock in the morning they proceeded accordingly from the Deans Lodging to the Chapter-House, preceded by the Poor Knights, Canons of the Church, and Heralds of Armes, and from thence Sir Gilbert Talbot, as Proxy for his Grace the Duke of Lauderdale, formerly Elected, was first introduced between the said Lords Commissioners into the Chappel; and after the usual Reverences, had the accustomed Oath administered unto him by the Dean of Windsor Register of the Order, and then conducted into the Stall of his Principle, bearing his Mantle; after which the Lords Commissioners returned to the Chapter House, and in like manner brought in the Marquis of Worcester, Invested with his Sword and Circoat, his Mantle, Hood, and Great Collar of the Order, carried before him by Garter, and entering the Chappel, after the usual Reverences, had the Oath Administred to him by the said Register, and then placed in his Chair by the Lords Commissioners, after having invested him with his Mantle, Hood, and Great Collar of the Order; In like manner was Introduced and Installed the Lord Chamberlain, and after him the Earl of Bedford; then solemn Service began, and at the proper time all the Knights descended and offered, and so returned to their Stalls again; Divine Service being ended, they proceeded with usual Ceremony to the Chapter House, where they put off their Habits, and so the Solemnity ended; after which, they were altogether, with several other persons of Quality, and the Officers of the Order, entertained at a very Noble and Splendid Dinner by the Lord Chamberlain, at his Lodgings in the Castle.

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