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Harwich, July 13.

**W**B have advice here from *Holland*, that his most Christian Majesty was approached with his Army very near to *Hertzogenbosch*; that he had already taken several places not far from, and of great consequence to that place, which it is thought would likewise have fallen into his Majesty's hands, had not the great Rains, which they have had of late in those parts, kept him from attacking it as yet; the fear and want of resolution in the Inhabitants there, being said to have been so great, that notwithstanding the great strength of the place, and the considerable Garrison they have within, they no sooner heard of the march of the *French* that way, but they thought it almost time to follow the example of the other places, and to surrender to the King. In the mean time, the *Hollanders* still hope that the high waters will encourage them to hold out, in case of a Siege, which we hourly expect to have an account of.

From *Rotterdam* hath been sent two Companies of Burgers, one to the *Brill*, and the other to *Helvoetsluyce*, for the reinforcement of those places, who were no sooner arrived there, but presently found matter for a quarrel with the Townsmen, which though occasioned but by a slight accident, scarce worth mentioning, yet might have proved of a mischievous consequence, had not the discretion of some of the soberer sort used timely means to appease this disorder.

*Mattha*, June 10. All those of the *French* Nation which are of this Order, have obtained leave to go and attend his most Christian Majesty in the War against the *Dutch*; and are accordingly all parted hence on their way to *France*; except those, who by reason of their age, or other infirmities are incapable of undertaking the expedition. We have been often alarmed here, with the reports of a design the *Turks* might have upon this Island, in revenge of the great damage they have received from our Gallies in the *Archipelago*, but at present the march of the *Ottoman* Forces towards *Poland*, seems to secure us against any attempt, this Summer; notwithstanding it is still reported. That the Captain *Bassa* will very suddenly put to Sea with a great Fleet, but without any certainty.

*Messina*, June 12. Our Vice-Roy the Prince de *Ligne* continues still here, and will do so most of this Summer; Through the great endeavors that have been used to supply this place with sufficient quantities of Corn from abroad, we begin to have great abundance here of this Provision, and are now in a condition to supply our Neighbors.

*Warsaw*, June 21. The term allotted by the Constitution of the Kingdom, for the Session of the Diet begins now to draw very near an end, and yet we see nothing concluded on for the Publick good, so great are the Factions and Animosities between the Deputies, and that leads them every day into so great disorder and confusion, that we are so far from being

able to expect from them any sober resolution for the defence of the Kingdom, that we are in a manner forced to wish the Diet was broken up, to avoid those daily quarrels that happen amongst them, and that during their meeting, and the mischeif and confusion that may arise thereby to themselves, and the whole Kingdom in general. In the mean time, we discover more and more appearance of an Invasion by the *Turks*, who we hear now, are on their march towards our Frontiers, though at the same time many of the Deputies of the Diet will believe nothing less, saying, That these are onely reports raised by the rest, to oblige them to a blind consent to whatever they would impose upon the people, under pretence of the Publick good; however it is feared these people will at length discover their error, and when they see the *Ottoman* Troops lodged in their Countrey, be forced to believe, that these reports were but too true. In the interim, the Elector of *Brandenburgh* continues to assure his Majesty of his assistance.

*Genova*, July 6. The Duke of *Savoy's* Troops, have taken *Pieve*, a place belonging to this State, and pillaged it; a Manifesto having been published there by order of the Duke to this effect, That he will restore the place, upon reference of all differences about the Frontiers, to the *Ruota of Bologna*; to which, this Senate hath answered, That they are ready to refer the decision of this matter, to the most Christian and Catholick Kings; provided, This place be immediately put into their hands again, in the same condition, it was in before. In the mean time this State arms apace, though we hear of several Proposals that have been made on both sides for accommodating of all matters before they proceed too far.

*Vienna*, July 3. Here have of late arrived several Expresses from the Marquess de *Grana*, and the Governour of the *Spanish Netherlands*, giving His Imperial Majesty an account of the present posture of Affairs in those parts, and pressing his Majesty to some speedy resolution thereupon; but we cannot as yet certainly hear of any thing His Imperial Majesty hath resolved in this matter: In the mean time, it is said; that General *Montecuculi* shall command an Army of 30000 Men for the security of the Empire. We are told, that the Emperor will make the Great Master of the *Teutnick Order*, Palatine of *Hungary*. We have here hearing, but uncertain reports, concerning the designs of the *Turks*, the one while we are assured, that the Grand Visier is on his march with a formidable Army towards *Poland*, and presently after is again contradicted, so that in the whole, we know not what to credit. Our Letters of the eighth past, from *Adrianople* tell us, that the Grand Signior was still there, and that the Grand Visier was at *Constantinople*, and had declared, That the Port was very ready to treat with the Crown of *Poland* in order to an accommodation, provided they would yield the *Pruth* to the Grand Signior; that otherwise he was obliged to march against them with all the Force he could to take possession of a Countrey, which had already submitted itself under his Protection; and which, we are certainly told, that the *Poles* absolute-