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Essexburgh, July 7.

Two more Prizes are brought up to *Leith*, laden with Wine and Bandy: the people of this place a very hearty and zealous for the service of His Majesty in this War with the Dutch and French. And a general Rendezvous is appointed in this City, for the putting it into a posture, as may be most for the publique good.

Falouth, July 8. A private Man of Warr, called the *Swallow*. Captain *Manning* Commander, came this day into *Hilford*, bringing with him a French Prize with Ballast, and some small quantity of Billet-wood: she was bound from some part of *Britaigne* for *Rochelle* to load there with Salt: since his going from this Port about fourteen daies agoe, he hath taken three other prizes, whereof two are put in at *Saltcombe*, one of 50 Tuns bound for the *Bank* with Salt, the other of 30 Tuns with Iron, and a Shallop now at *Fowey*: Captain *Hall* has likewise taken a prize laden with Salt, which he has sent into *Dartmouth*. Here is likewise come in a great Vessel of 250 Tuns from *Ostend*, called the *Three Kings* with Ballast, bound for *Rochelle*.

Swansey, July 9. On Thursday last arrived here the *Hope of Jersey*, from that Island, with two other Vessels in his Company, who speak the good condition and posture of the place; which is daily improved in its strength and readines, by the great care and industry of the Governor: who with some other Gentlemen of the Island, have set out two or three private Men of War, and thrive very well in that Trade, having at several times taken eleven prizes from the French: they tell us that a small boat went lately thence into the River of *Brebach* in *Britany*, and brought away in despite of the Country, that took the Alarm very warmly, a small French Vessel that lay there at Anchor.

Southwold, July 10. On Saturday we discovered three or four Dutch ships East of this Town. Yesterday one more who came out of the North-East, and stood near into this Bay, and two others plying to the Southwards with their low sails. This day came a great ship out of the North-East, standing close into this Bay, judged to carry sixty Guns, what she is we know not.

Boston, July 10. Several Privateers have lately appeared upon these Coasts, but we heare not of much hurt they have done, onely out of *Wynfleet-haven*, within a mile or two of the Town, they took a small Vessel bound for the Northwards; and another Vessel a Collier, both of them empty, and fired a third that was not worth the taking away.

Margate, July 10. The last night two French Shallops came into this Bay, but finding no purchase, stood off again to Sea. A small Merchant bound for *Ireland*, was boarded by a boat from an *Holland* Man of Warr, off the *Northforeland*, the Master of it was English, but all the Men being *Spaniards*, concealed the Master, and secured the Ship, the Dutch only enquiring of them the posture and readines of our Fleet, and so dismissed them.

Norwich, July 11. The Account of our Bill for this last Week is thus. Buried of all diseases 80. Of the Plague 56, and at the Pest-house 7.

This is the State of our Health, which yet in divers other parts of our Neighbouring Counties, especially those of *Sussex* and *Essex* is much worse, the Infection spreading extremely of late, and with that violence, as to leave many of those places fit objects for the charitable relief of other parts of the Kingdom, which God is pleased to spare in this Visitation. Several good examples of this Charity have been already given, in particular, Mr. *Nicholas Isaacs*, Mayor of

Exeter, has collected in that City 59*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.* towards the relief of *Colchester*, which is a seasonable charity worthy imitation.

Albrough, July 11. Since Monday last we have seen only three Dutch men of War, and a French Sloop, which latter on Monday night rode within a mile of the Town, the other came not within a League, but stood off again to Sea, and are now riding within two Leagues of us to the South-East. We can hence discover the Dutch Fleet about eighty sail, near five Leagues distant from us to the South East: and in the *Gulf* five sail more, their Fleet being observed to ly now much closer then formerly they did: apprehending, as is supposed the coming out of our Fleet, which we are told will give them their long-looked for welcome in few daies. In which they are attended with the Players and Vows of all good men.

Portsmouth, July 12. On Tuesday the *Paradox* came into this Bay, having taken a prize, which the Captain sent into *Cowes*, the particular of her lading and value not yet said.

Madrid, June 30. Our last advices from *Seville*, *Cadix*, and other places on that Coast, confirm to us the news, That about the twentieth instant, Monsieur *de Beaufort* with his Fleet, meeting with part of the first Squadron of the Spanish Armada, under the command of the Admiral *Sr. Diasco*, sent to him to strike his Flag, and to salute him, which the *Spaniard* but slowly answering, was immediately surrounded by some of the best French Men of War and Fire-ships, who threatened either to burn or sink him, if he refused. The Spanish Admiral considering the countenance they made, but more the inequality of his number, having but four ships, and none near to second him, thought it his safest way to obey, and fairly touck to him: And 'twas observed, that saluting the French Admiral with 13 guns, they did not vouchsafe him one gun back in return. To this point the French Gallies formerly endeavored to have brought *Centurioni*, and the *Marquess de Bayonne*, but they thought themselves too strong to suffer that affront. After this the French fleet passed on to the entrance of the River of *Lisbon*, whither they sent in eight ships with Provisions, dispatching their Merchants to *Rochelle*, under the convoy, as is said, of some of the Dutch Men of War, he himself with the rest of his fleet, cruising about the Rock of *Lisbon*, and *Cape Saint Vincent*. The same Letters tell us of an English ship of 200 Tuns, safely arrived from the *Barbadoes* at *Tangier*, with Sugar, Indigos, and Cottons; and that the *Spaniards* have taken and sent to *Cadix*, a *Genouese* ship coming from *Lisbon* with 450 Chells of Sugar, Brasils, Tobacco, and some Negroes, upon pretence the Goods belong to enemies. Seizing likewise upon a *Caravelle*, under a Castle belonging to *Portugal*, with great hazard to their own ship, which was almost sunk by the Guns from the place.

The Empress is not yet gone from *Denia*, being stopt some time by reason of her distemper, which proved a fit or two of an ague; and 'tis thought by some, will not embarque till *November*.

The young King is perfectly recovered from his indisposition, and the Queen Mother in good health, though lately twice let blood in ten hours for a swelling in her face.

This day his Excellency the Earl of *Sandwich* is to have his publick Audience, which has hitherto been deferred, by reason of the Queens distemper. Sir *Robert Southwell* is gone for *Lisbon*.

The 26 instant died here Sir *Richard Fanshawe* Knight, Ambassador for the King of England, after a violent Feavor of 10 or 12 days, much regretted by this Court, in which he

had justly acquired the esteem of a person of great worth and honor.

Stockholm, June 12. 'Tis thought that *Queen Christina*, who is suddenly expected here, will not receive the satisfaction she promises her self from this Court, the Diet being deferred which was the Principal cause of her journey, besides the difficulty she will find in obtaining a permission of the exercise of her Religion according to her desires. The *Chevalier de Treion*, the French Ambassador here, has at last with much difficulty sent away for *France*, the Boy of the famous Philosopher and Mathematician *René des Cartes*, wrapped up in Copper, who about twelve years since died in this City.

Paris, July 16. Yesterday *Monsieur de Villeroi* endeavoring to Apologize in Council for the City of *Lyon*, and particularly for the Provost of the Merchants (who lies under a suspicion of abetting the attempt upon *Lanchou*) was by all the Assembly, commanded by order from the King, to move no further in the business. The Archbishop of this City afterwards undertaking the same cause, received the same compliment, which he so ill resented, that he was immediately leaving the Council, but that the King sent to him to keep his place. Several of the chief Citizens have been cited to the Court, and the Provost summoned by sound of Trumpet, but not appearing, his goods are already put to sale; neither is the Kings Lieutenant, in that City, free from suspicion of being a Complice in the fact. The *Sieur de Rochefort*, a companion of the late *Sieur del Campe*, is condemned by the Court of Monies, to pay for his fine 3000 Livres, and to entertain a Company five years at Sea upon his own expence.

A small Rebellion is started up in the further parts of this Kingdom, where one *Audigeau* is returned from the *Pyrenean* Mountains, whither he formerly fled for security, and has put himself, in the head of a great number of discontented persons, passing by the *Lourde* to *St. Sever*, not far from *Aix*, declaring against the *Gabelles*, and as we are told from *Bourdeaux*, hanging up all the *Gabelliers* they can meet with, pretending to act for the Kings service.

Hague, July 20. The *Sieur Applebon* having received a new character of Envoyé Extraordinary from his Master the King of *Sweden*, desires Audience, which is yet deferred till it be resolved how he shall be received, whither at his House, or onely met at the bottom of the Stairs; at the same time the *Swede* offers his Mediation here, we are not without clamors from *Wessel*, and other parts of the Frontiers, of their great arming towards *Wesphalia*, where the Bishop of *Münster* begins again to stir, divers parties of his Horse having already embodied, which gives much jealousy here, insomuch, as we have creted the Garrisons of *Swoll*, *Deventer*, and other considerable Frontier places to be doubled; and now we are like possibly to have other work for our Landsoldiers nearer home. And therefore those lately sent off with our Fleet, upon pretended designs of invading *England*, are recalled, and Colonel *Tierfum* is already arrived in *Zealand* with a great part of them; so as by that means our Fleet may be brought to want its just complements: And therefore all old ways of getting men sailing, we are trying a new one, which is by certain Deputies empowered by the Generality, to send to the several Towns to raise us so many men of those they have idle and unemployed among them, which God knows are found in too great numbers every where. How this project will take, is doubted?

Thursday last arrived in *Zealand* a Galliot from the Fleet, with the body of *Cap. Claes*, one of our best Seamen, who died on board. *De Witt* is chosen Curator of the University of *Leiden*. They write from *Denmark*, that a *Admiral Adelaar* arrived at *Elfenor*, June 27. with 9 Holland Men of War, and some Naval provision, for the fitting out their Fleet.

These are to give notice to all whom it may concern, that His Majesty's Commissioners appointed to take care of all Sick and Wounded Seamen, &c. and to secure all Prisoners of War, do for the future sit in the Scar-Chamber Lodgings in Westminster, at their usual times, viz. On Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday in every week, and of sinner if occasion be.

The Justices of the Peace for the County of Essex, at the Quarter Sessions lately held at Brentwood, having certified that besides Colchester, many other Townes and Villages in the said County are visited with the sickness; It hath been therefore thought fit, and is ordered, that the Assizes intended to have been held at Brentwood for the said County the 6th of August next, shall not be hold.

Legorn, July 7. Letters of the 23rd post from *Tunis*, tell us of the Death of the Old King there, five daies before which, the wiser part of their Council fearing a disturbance in the Interregne, obtained a new one to be chosen, an old Bachelor of above sixty, particularly well affected to the English Nation, whose Articles he immediately confirmed with his S. al. However, he differs in his Rules of Policy from his Predecessors, having already restrained the liberty heretofore granted for exportation of Coin. That a person was arrived there from the French King to effect a Peace, which yet that King would not hear of. That the Corsaires of that place have taken a French ship from *Venice* laden with *Brimstone*. That they had news from *Tripoly*, the notable *Osman Bassa* of that place was dead.

Harwich, July 12. Besides the 1st attempt of the Dutch to Land at *St. Oysters*, where about 30 of them were taken, of which, we formerly gave you an account. Yesterday another of their Shallops endeavored to Land about the *Naze*, but finding upon two or three tryals, that the Muskettiers from the shore were something rude in their entertainment, they retired in much haste to their fleet, who after they had been some hours under sail, are again returned to their former station; where we wish they may continue till ours, which is now compleat and vigorous, come and bid them welcome.

Margate, July 13. The last night the *Little Mary* coming from *Ostend*, met between *Newport* and *Dunkirk*, with a Vessel of six Guns and 70 Men, belonging to *John Burt*, Admiral of *Zealand*, laden with Anchors, Cables, and other provision for the Dutch fleet; and after a Boadside or two, took her, and brought her to *Broadstairs*, where she landed the prisoners: But being discovered by four or five Dutch Men of War, and two Gallions, which were then in our Road, and had made some shot in to the Town, they presently made after her; but the *Little Mary* getting the wind of them, recovered the Downs, the Prize ran her self on ground at *Broadstairs*, to whom the Dutch sent their Galliot *Huy*, who plaid on her with their small Guns, and manned out their Boats with small shot, thinking to have brought her off; but they received such peals of shot from some foot that were immediately drawn thither, that with a visible loss, they were forced to leave off their attempt, and return again to Sea.

Amongst other persons brought over from *Ostend* by the *Little Mary*, was *Jo. Desborough*, formerly known by the title of Major General, who came over upon pretence of submitting himself to His Majesty's mercy, according to the late Proclamation; however remains committed prisoner in *Dover* Castle, by order of the Earl of *Middleton*, His Majesty's Lieutenant General in *Kent*, until His Majesty's pleasure be further known.

Plymouth, July 12. This day the *John* and *Mary*, the *Hopewell*, and the *Partnership of London*, arrived here from *Malaga*; they left *Tangier* 29 days since, but tell no news of *De Beaufort* since he came to *Lisbon*. A French man of War came up with them off *Scilly*, but durst not engage them.

Harwich, July 14. The Dutch lie in the same station as formerly, very quiet, with their small Boats and Vessels that attend them; we cannot perceive they stir out of late, though sometimes they weigh Anchor in the Flood, and come to Anchor in the same places again at Ebb.

Whitchal, July 15. This day arrived a Trumpet from the States of *Holland*, who came over from *Calis*, in the *Dover* Packet-Boat, with a Letter to His Majesty, that the States have taken order for the Embalming the Body of *Sir William Berkley*, which they have placed in the Chappel of the great Church at the *Hague*; a civility they profess to owe to his Corps, in respect of the Quality of his Person, the Greatness of his Command, and of the high Courage and Valor he shewed in the late Engagements; and in His Majesty to signify His pleasure about the further disposal of it.