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Léith, Sept. 3.

Here is arrived the *Speedwel* Frigate, the Captain and the rest of the Officers and Seamen giving us this account; That having cruised ten days together between the *Texel* and *Heylige Land*, without meeting any Vessels, but what did belong to *Swedes*, *Danes*, or *Hamburgers* (whom they still very civilly dismiss) That the 7 past, they stood in close to the shoar, and discovered several small Vessels within the *Wadt* by *Noorden*, a small Island near *Emden*, but the Frigate not being able by reason of the shallowness of the water, to come up to them within several Leagues, they sent out their Long Boat with 18 Men in her, who put five of the said Vessels ashoar, and took five others laden with Wheat and Timber, which they brought away with them; The 9 they went in a second time with their Boat, and forced nine Vessels more ashoar, which were so disabled, that they could bring but two of them off; That the whole Countrey had been hereupon very much allarmed, all the Beacons having been fired, and the people upon that notice, coming in multitudes to the Sea-side, but wanting Boats to come off in, could do but little to preserve these Vessels; however, they fired very violently upon them with Muskets from the shoar, but without doing them any harm, notwithstanding they were most of the time within reach of their shot. That the 14 passed by them the *Hambrough Groenland* Fleet, as they suppose, being 14 sail. That the 22 they gave chase to seven sail, which proved to be six Dutch Merchant men of ten Guns apiece, and a Convoy of 60 Guns, from whence, or whither bound they know not, so not finding themselves able to attempt any thing upon them, they left them, and came in here.

Bridlington, Sept. 5. A small Vessel belonging to *Whitby*, having been lately chased by a Dutch Caper, she stood in close to the shore, the Caper not daring to venture in so far, came to an Anchor, and sent out his Boat, to secure the said Vessel; but the Master taking the Advantage, while the Capers Boat was rowing betwixt them, cut, and set sail, the Caper not being able to follow him, till his Boat was come on Board, and in that time the Vessel escaped.

Warsaw, Aug. 28. It may easily be believed how much this Court hath been allarmed at the news of the Turkish Forces being advanced so near our frontiers, especially, considering the present posture of our affairs at home for notwithstanding we have been long since forewarned of the danger that now threatens us, yet what through the Factions and Dissentions in some, and incredulity in others, that the Turks had no designe against this Kingdom, we now find our selves, hardly in any capacity of making a defence against so potent an Enemy; The great reliance we have at present seems to be in the Auxillary Troops we have been promised by the Emperor and the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, for as for the Nobility, they are hardly as yet awakened, and in little

readiness to appear in the field; however the King still expects them at *Jandwitz*, where the *Rendzvous* is at present appointed; The Nobility of *Lithuania* are to Rendezvous at *St Lodowa* in *Pod-Luchia*, and have acquainted the King, that they should be very suddainly ready to attend his Majesty wherever he would appoint them; but when all is done, it is feared they will not be in a condition to meet the Enemy: The Grand Marschal *Sobietzki* is at present at *Lembegh*, where he is endeavouring what he can to reinforce himself, and to put himself into a posture to give some stop to the progress of the Turks, but the Troops that are now with him, scarce making up in all 5000 Men, it is thought he will be able to do little good. We have been very much allarmed here this week, with reports of some designe on foot against this place, to surprize it, so that the Burgers watch constantly as well day as night, four Companies at a time.

Vienna, Aug. 28. We are assured here, that her Imperial Majesty is with Child again, which occasions a general joy at this Court, and is the reason, that the Emperor hath put off his journey for *Ebersdörf*. We were some days since allarmed here, with the news of some disturbance lately happened in *Hungary*, and that above 2000 of those Inhabitants at the instigation of the Rebels, which lie still sheltered in *Transylvania*, had taken up Arms, but that General *Spanhaw* having had timely notice thereof, came upon them before they were got into a body, and so easily dispersed them. We are told of a general Assembly that is to be suddainly held at *Newstadt*, in which the Great Master of the Teutonick Order is to preside as Palatine or Viceroy of *Hungary*. The Count *Palsi* is gone into *Croatia* to raise a Regiment of 2000 Men there. On Monday last arrived here the Count *Foannelli* from *Hungary*, having been called thence, in order to his serving in the Imperial Army, as Provveditor-General, being a person of great experience in affairs of that nature. It is said, that the Spanish Ambassador hath given out Commissions for the raising several Regiments here, as well of Horse as Foot.

Ratisbonne, Sept. 1. This Dyet continues very busie about dispatching several Articles to be observed, in case of Conjunction of the Troops of the ten Circles. On Saturday last the Imperial Commissioner here acquainted the Dyet, that the Emperor had given orders for the marching of 12000 Men towards the *Rhyn*, to be employed for the security of the Empire, and that in the mean time he would issue his several Letters to the ten Circles, to require them to have their Forces in readiness to march, in case of occasion.

Halberstadt, Sept. 2. The 26 past arrived here the Elector of *Brandenburgh* with his whole Court; the Imperial Troops were the 5 instant at *Erford*, from whence they continued their march with all the speed they could towards this place, in order to the so long expected conjunction. On Monday last arrived here with much kindness and respect, as well by his Electoral Highness, as other persons of the most eminent

minent rank here. On Tuesday last the Imperial Envoye had Audience of his Electoral Highness, whom he then acquainted with the near approach of the Imperial Troops, and with several other matters relating to the same. The same day arriv'd here the Heer d' Amerongen in quality of Envoye Extraordinary from the States-General of the United Provinces, he hath not yet had his publick Audience, but it is thought his errand is to press the Elector to hasten the march of his Troops.

Mastricht, Sept. 6. Most of the French Troops that have been so long in these parts, lie at present between *Helmont* and *Hemert*, near *Aelenbeek*, though it is thought they will not continue long there, but march towards the *Rhine*, to join with the parts of the Army under the Command of *Monsieur Turenne*. Small parties go daily out from hence to fetch in Contribution, which if the poor people cannot, or refuse to pay, they bring away their Cattel or what else comes to hand.

Dort, Sept. 11. Since the change of our Magistrates, of which were cashiered no less number than 17. we begin to live in some order again; the Heer *Bleyenburgh*, Heer of *Nieltwycke* is made Burgermaster, to the general satisfaction of the People; The Party that lately went out of *Gircum*, and took the House of *Pondroy*, fearing they might, in case they stay'd there, be dislodged again by the French, have quitted it, after having set fire thereunto. The reports we had here concerning the taking of *Crevecoeur*, proves nothing but mistakes. The French Army consisting of about 50000 Men, are march'd from *Gratf* to *Nimwegen*, and so towards *Wesel*.

Middelburgh, Sept. 12. On Friday last the States being Assembled here, Captain *Souland* came marching with his Company to the *Hoff*, and there demanded of the States, the payment of their arrears, with Claims against the Government; whereupon the Heer *Odycke*, with an other of the States, came down to endeavor to pacifie them, but finding it was in vain, and that the Soldiers began to be somewhat unfuly, he presently returned again to the Assembly, the Souldiers continuing still to cry for Money, and to utter a thousand Curses against the States, the Heer *Odycke* however came down the second time, promising them they should be paid within few days, and in the mean time offering them Money to drink, in case they would quietly return to their Garrison, which after much persuasion, they were at last pleas'd to do; In the mean time came many other Solicitors for Money, who soon obtained their several Orders of the Statss, for payment of the same, but coming to the Receiver General, who was to pay it, they were told, there was not any Money in cash, upon which they returned in great fury to the States, nothing being able to satisfie them, but to have their Money paid immediately; This had like to have occasioned much disorder amongst the people, had not the Heer *Odycke* gone with them to the said Receiver General, and there given Order for the paying them one third of their respective Debts, with promise of the rest in eight days at farthest. Our Fleet is said to be sail'd towards the *Maes*. Here hath been a report, that the Lieutenant Admiral *de Ruyter* hath been sent for from the Fleet to the *Hague*, but without any certainty.

Amsterdam, Sept. 12. At length the people here begin to be a little pacified, having received his Highness's approbation, for the putting several persons out of the Magistracy, as they had desired,

Yesterday his Highness's Letter to the Government here, having been Published as follows

The Prince of ORANGE &c.

Most Respected, Wife, and very Discreet good Friends; We have seen the Resolution of the Burgermasters of the City of *Amsterdam*, which they sent us dated the fifth instant, containing their desire That (in pursuance of the Resolution of the States of *Holland* and *West-Friesland* of the 27 of the last Month) we would give Order concerning the changing the Magistracy of the said City, in such manner as we should think fit, for the common quiet of our Countrey, and the particular welfare of that City; accordingly after mature deliberation, we have judged it necessary in the present Conjunction of Affairs, that the several persons, whose Names are specified in the inclosed List, ought to be excused from the Government; However our meaning is not. That upon account hereof, they receive the least Blemish or Prejudice in their Reputation; We being farther ready to furnish them at all times with our Protection and Safeguard, in case they may come beyond all expectation, to have Need of, and Desire the same; And so most Respected, Wife, and very Discreet good Friends, we commend you to the Protection of Gods In the Lager at *Boedgrave*, September 12. 1672.

Your very good Friend,
G. Prince of Orange

Burgermasters;	<i>Hans Bontemantel</i>
<i>Joan van de Poll</i> , &c.	<i>Nicolas van Copella</i>
<i>Mr. Lambert Reynst</i> .	<i>Andries de Graef</i>
Schepenen.	<i>Pieter Schieper</i>
<i>Hans Bontemantel</i>	<i>Jan Hulst</i>
<i>William Blieu</i> .	<i>Witt Backer</i>
<i>Pieter Graef</i> .	Old Schepenen;
Of the Council of 36.	<i>Dr. Roertt Ernsta</i>
<i>Joan van de Poll</i> ,	<i>Dirk Spiegel</i>
<i>Lambert Reynst</i> .	<i>Nicolas van Waerens</i>
<i>Joan Blieu</i> .	<i>Mr. Arnout Hoofst</i>
	<i>Dr. Gerard Bors</i>

Signed G. Prince of ORANGE

This being done, we may now in a day or two expect the Nomination of those that are to succeed the above mentioned in their respective Employments.

Antwerp, Sept. 13. Our Letters from *Hildesheim* tell us, that the Elector of *Brandenburgh* is still at *Halberstadt*, expecting the arrival of the Imperial Troops, which we are told, make up in all 12 Regiments of Horse and Foot. The Prince d' *Arenbergh* is gone for *Ghent* to assist at the meeting of the States, of that Province. Of the French we hear nothing farther, but that they are still drawing down towards the *Rhine*.

Hague, Sept. 16. His Highness the Prince of Orange is at present here. Our last Letters from *Halberstadt* speak not as yet of the arrival of the Imperial Troops, but that they are daily expected there. The Heer *Kievit* is made Pensionary of *Rotterdam* in the place of the Heer *de Groot*. The Deputies of *Liège* are still here without obtaining as yet any satisfaction in the affair they came about.

Advertisements

There is set up a new Plate at *Halberstadt* by *Norhampton*, to be run for the Thursday after *Michaelmas* next. The price of the Plate will be about 300000, but Gentlemen are to ride, and they must be 12 hour weight, and ride four heats.