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Portsmouth, March 20.

Yesterday the *Dreadnought* Frigate in which a small *Barke*, belonging to *Port* in *Coffin*, having retaken her from a Dutch *Caper*, some of whose Men, that were put on board this Vessel report, that they were lately engaged with an English Frigate, and escaped with much difficulty, having had 18 of their Men killed, besides several wounded.

Madrid, March 18. From *Cádiz* of the 26 past, we have advice, that two days before Monsieur *Martel* returned from the *South Cape* into that Bay, having with him 6 Men of War and a Fireship, with several Merchantmen under his Convoy. From the same place of the 5 instant we have advice, that the late bad weather had extremely shattered and dispersed the Royal Armada, that was gone out in search of the Galleons; that four of them were put back into that Bay, and 12 into *Gibraltar*, being the whole Armada, except two which were cast away; We farther hear from *Cádiz*, that two Dutch Men of War were arrived there from *Galicia*, and that 20 more were daily expected there from *Holland*, besides which, we have advice, that young *Quaspar* is now with 6 Men of War at the *Caharjes*, and that he is likewise to touch at *Cádiz* in his return home. From *Malaga* of the 27 past we are told, that Capt. *Bowen* in the *Leopard*, met about *Cape de Gat* the *Swallow*, taken some months since from the English by the Dutch, and brought her into that Port, supposing her still to belong to the Dutch, though in appearance she seems to have been since bought by the Genouefes, who failed her.

Vienna, March 16. The Emperor since the death of his Emperesse, continues privately at *Schonbrunn*, till such time as his apartment is prepared at *Neustadt*; Yesterday about 8 a clock at night the Body of the Emperess deceased, after having been exposed on a Bed of State, was conveyed to the *Capucins* Church here for its Enterrment; the Solemnity was performed with great Pomp and Magnificence, there having assisted at it 12 Prelats in their Pontifical Habits, with all the Clergy of this place, as likewise the Emperess Dowager, and the Arch-Duchess the Emperors Sister, together with the Grand Master of the *Teutonic* Order, the several Ministers, the Sovereign Courts, and all the Officers and Attendants of the Defunct; on the Market place was drawn up the Emperors Guards, and all other matters ordered suitable to the occasion.

Frankfort, March 9. The third instant *Fean Hartman de Rosebach*, Dean of the Chapter of *Wirtshburgh* was elected Bishop of that See, and Duke of *Franconia*; the same day was concluded at *Mayerence* the Solemnity of the intronization of that Elector, who hath since received the Homages of his Subjects, and the Congratulations of the neighboring Princes, by the hands of their respective Ministers. The Prince of *Vaudemont* is some days since arrived here from *Flanders*, to confer with the Duke of *Lorraine*, who now resides in this Town. The Elector

of *Brandenburgh* is certainly retreating towards *Berlin*, leaving the French absolute masters of the Field as far as the *Weser*; It is said the Imperialists will quit the Stitt *Hildesheim*, where they now are, to the *Brandenburghs*, while they themselves go and seek Quarters in and about *Esfeld*, or higher up if they can.

Coblentz, March 12. This day passed by this place in several small Boats, 800 French more, being to follow the 4000 that passed down this day sevensnight, besides which, there lye several thousand between *Sirik* and *Thionville*, who intend in few days to pass likewise through the Bishoprick of *Treves*, towards the *Rhine*, so that the French Army encreases every day very considerably.

Dortmund, March 17. The Marechal *Turenne* has his head quarter still at *Soest*; it is reported that he will break up in a day or two, though as yet we know not certainly, which way he will take his march.

Minden, March 17. The Elector of *Brandenburgh* is gone for *Berlin*, and his Troops are past the *Weser*.

Zel, March 17. The Dukes of *Lutenburgh* have together, brought about 16000 Men on foot, to secure their Countrey against all accidents; in the mean time, the Imperialists and *Brandenburgh* Troops, in all 20000 Men, are on their march upward through this Countrey; the *Brandenburghs* head quarter having been the last night at *Saisfeldstadt*.

Osnabrugh, March 18. Some French Troops having lain some days before the Fort of *Ravenberghs* yesterday made themselves Masters of it.

Bremen, March 23. The Swedes have desired quarters for a Regiment in *Blomendael*, a Village not far from hence, which hath given some jealousy; Here is a report that the French have made themselves Masters of *Biledelt*.

Cologne, March 24. We have not any fresh news of the motions of the Dutch or French Armies; The Elector of *Brandenburgh* has put his Troops in their winter quarters, in the Countrey of *Haltberstadt* and *Magdeburgh*, and gives out, that he will come into the Field again by *May*, with a much stronger Army then he did this last Summer. *Heuxier* being now in the French hands, it is reported by some, that Monsieur *de Turenne* will pass his Forces over the Stone Bridge there, though others think he will march them another way; however, few days may give us more exact information.

Antwerp, March 25. Our last Letters from *Cologne* of the 21 instant, tell us, that Monsieur *de Turenne* continues still with the French Army near *Soest*, having been lately recruited with several considerable supplies which came down the *Moselle* out of *Lorraine*; That the Elector of *Brandenburgh* is on his way to *Berlin*, and that the Imperialists lie in the Sticht *Hildesheim* beyond *Paderborn*. From *Hambrough* we have Letters which tell us, that above 12000 of the *Lubenburgh* and *Brunswick* Troops lay quartered all along the *Weser*, to guard the passage of the River, but of this we may