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*Falmouth, August 5.*

**T**He third instant, the *Swallow* and *Panther* came in here, with the two French Prizes which they took upon the Coast of France near *Belle-Isle*: whilst they were riding in those Coasts with French Colours, five or six French Merchants came from the Shoare in a Shallop, bringing with them their Bottles of Wine and Plate, mistaking them by their Colours for two Pickaroons, that some few daies before were riding in the same place; but not finding their Error till it was too late to return, they put on a good Face, and came boldly aboard, pretending a Visit; whom the Captains, *Manning* and *Halt* treated with more civility then they could expect; without taking any advantage of their mistake, they only drank out their bottles and dismiss them, with a Civility for which they expect no return.

*Dublin, August 4.* Yesterday the City Militia met for the giving in their names to be Enrolled, on Thursday next they are to appear in Armes: The Militia Horse and Foot for that County, met at their Rendezvous on Monday last, in very good posture. We heare no further news of the Tories, at *Sigo* the people have had some apprehension of them, but most of our Letters tell us, they have disperit themselves, and are gone home. On Tuesday next the Parliament is here to be dissolved.

*Newcastle, August 7.* Two Swedes are lately arrived in this Harbor, one from *Stockholme*: two others came in yesterday, one of them from *Scotland* with French Wines, Sugar, and Cotton Wooll, the other from *Barwick* with Corn. The Colliers yesterday joyned together to rejoyce for His Majesties late happy Victory, and having all their Colours flying, they spent the whole day in Feasting one another, concluding with the discharging of all their guns.

*Barnstable, Aug. 7.* Though we are all concerned very highly in the expressions of our joy, for the good success of our Fleet, yet we were out-done here by a Swedish ship within our Harbor; who upon the arrival of the good news, caused several Bonfires to be made upon his ship, giving out an Hogstead of Wine to be drank by all that would come aboard him, to His Majesties health; and discharging his Guns to proclaim the joy he had in the happy event of the Engagement.

*Normich, Aug. 8.* The account of our Bill of Mortality for this last week, runs thus. Buried of all diseases 187. whereof the Plague 163. Besides at the Pest-house 6. and in *Christ Church-Clofe* 2.

*West Cowes, Aug. 8.* This day arrived here the *Paradox* Fregate, towing in at her Stern the French Man of War with six Guns, which she took on the Coast of France. She is a new ship, called the *Notre Dame de Mont Carmell*, and is built to carry ten Guns. The *Paradox* has taken besides this, five other prizes; one of them she left with the *Eagle* Ketch at *Guernsey*, laden with Wine and Brandy; three others are great Fly-boats with the same lading; which she left with the *Hawk* Ketch, and are now in sight of us, coming in; and the fifth, a small French Vessel with Ballast. A Privateer of *Chichester* is now sailing through this Road homewards with two prizes of 120 Tuns each, laden with Salt, Wines, Brandy, and Vinegar.

*Harwich, Aug. 9.* Our Dutch prisoners are carried from hence to *Sudbury*, Captain *Dorrels* Company attending them for their Guard. The *Nightingale*, *Sorlings*, *Oxford*, and *Pearl*, are designed convoy for the *Gottenburg* fleet, who, about 20 sail, are now going out of the Harbor. Most of our Men of War are refitted, and either gone or going out again for

the Fleet, of which, we have of late heard nothing, onely that they continue off of the *Hollands* Coast, and no doubt by this time the winds having favored, have recovered the height of the *Texel*.

*Dover, Aug. 9.* Last night sailed by about 50 sail of small and great ships from *Portsmouth*, *Newhaven*, &c. bound for *London*, with Provisions or War of several kinde, with one ship from *Malaga* with Wines, the *Drake* Fregate their Convoy, and two of His Majesties Picature Boats.

*Paris, August 14.* The next week the King intends to hold his seat of Justice at the Parliament, where several Edicts are expected to pass, as for the Reformation of 200 Procurators, the putting down of all Officers in every of the *Chambres*, that have been created since the year 1635. and the diminution of the Imposts upon Wine: They talk likewise of the suppressing the *Chambres* of Accounts through all the Parliaments in the King om, except *Paris*; and augmenting the power of the Presidents, and also an Edict for making new Money.

The Forces sent to *Rochelle*, are to Embarque at *Belle-Isle*, whether they are to Convoy 500 M. Livres, and good store of Ammunition for the Fleet, which is daily expected there.

The 8th instant His Majesty exercised his Guards, *Gens d'Armes*, light Horse, and Musquetiers, who appeared in excellent equipage, in presence of all the Lords and Ladies of the Court.

The 11th instant His Majesty gave Audience to the Swedes Ambassador, conducted by the *Sieur de Berlize*.

*Madrid, July 29.* By Letters of the 20th from *Valentia*, they write, that a Matter of a Brigantine arriving in four daies from *Minorca*, has informed the Vice-King, that the Governor of the Isle has detained 12 French Gallies in *Puerto Nahon*, upon several pretences: but of this we expect a better account.

The Vice-King of *Gallicia* lately made an Incurfion into *Portugal*, plundering several of their small Villages; and returned with considerable booty, upon the appearance of forces that were coming towards him: but at the same time, the *Portugals* entering by *Monte Rey* into *Gallicia*, had a sufficient revenge, having done them much more hurt, then they received in their own Country, finding none to oppose them.

The *Condestabile* who is General of *Gallicia*, has order to suffer but three French Men of War to enter into any of those Ports, and to furnish that number with any thing they want for their Money.

*Seville, July 20.* The five Swedes and the *Lubecker* taken on the Coast of *Portugal*, are unloading at *Cadix*, and therefore supposed prize: A Dutch Ship hath within the barr and under the Castle of *S. Lucar*, seized an English Vessel bound for *New England*, the owner endeavouring to recover her by Justice. Five daies since the Quicksilver Flee set out for *New Spain*, under Convoy of five of *Cenurioni's* Squadron as far as the Islands: eight of the Armada are ordered to the Western Islands, to attend the new Spain Fleet, which is expected home the next month.

The French Fleet is said to be still on the Coast of *Portugal*, where Monsieur de *Pole* their Vice Admiral dyed aboard, and was buried at *Villa Nueva*, a Port in *Portugal* many hundreds of their Fleet are dead, and 'tis said above five hundred run away.

*Dantzick, August 7.* Yesterday by several Letters from *Warsaw* and other places, we are assured, that the Treaty at *Ravé* hath produced Peace. there wanting nothing but his

Majesties Ratication, which 'tis thought will not be denied: the Condition being but slight for the French faction, but very advantageous for *Lubomirski*, who is like to be greater then ever.

*Vienna, July 30.* The Swedes Envoye is often in Conference, and frequent in company with the great Ministers; 'tis said, he has propos'd a Match between his Master and the elder of the Emperors Sisters, having already got her Picture and sent it to Sweden.

*Rome, July 31.* The Indisposition of the Pope continues, and is grown to that height that his Physicians seem to doubt of his Recovery; yet some of our Politicos give out, 'tis only a feigned Distemper to avoid giving Audience to the French Ambassador, who by all his endeavors has not yet prevailed; and 'tis said takes his delay so ill; that if he gets not a speedy Audience, he will return home without it.

*Celle, Aug. 10.* The City of *Bremen* hath at last formed a Declaration upon the Four points in controversy, which if approved of by the Emperor and Empire, may probably put an end to their business with the Swede.

1. As to their appearance upon the Ryx-days, the City will promise to empower their Deputies upon those days, not writingly to vote any thing against the interests of *Swedenland*, and to absent themselves out of the Ryx Assembly when the Swedes Envoye shall be there.

2. As to their appearance upon their Creyts-days, the City will agree to forbear it.

3. As to their Homage, the City will not pay any to the respective Emperors, if the Crown of *Sweden* will obtain the Emperors permission thereunto, provided it hinder not the confirmation of their Priviledges.

4. As to their payment of Ryx and Creyt Taxes, they plead, That by reason of the lessening of their Territories by the Grant of two Offices to the Crown of *Sweden*, Anno 1654. their Quota ought in proportion to be lessened, and consequently to be a sixteenth in lieu of a twelfth, which they will justly pay into the Swedes Cash.

This with other Declarations are by the *Brunswick* Envoye to be delivered to Field *Here Wrangle*: The success not known.

Two days since, Field *Here Wrangle* sent an Express by a Trumpet to Count *Waldeck*, signifying, That whereas he was informed, that a Counsellor of *Bremen* had told the Swedes Commissioners, that he the Count had order to succor *Bremen*, if the Swedes should atack it: He desired to know the truth, that he might take his Measures accordingly.

On Thursday last the *Brandenburgh* Envoye went to *Bremen*.

*Middleburgh, Aug. 17.* All industry imaginable is used to patch up our Fleet, for whose resting, 200 Carpenters are employed from *South-Holland*. We talk of being out in a week, though we think a-much longer time will not fit them out, and furnish them with Seamen; but this want is intended to be supplied with Soldiers, 800 lying ready to be put on board, and six Regiments more discourses of. Our whole Fleet that now lies in between *Ulshing* and *Rammekin*, is upon a just account 66 Men of War, and 19 Fireships and Gallies; of which number, three Men of War and two Fireships are additions since the fight. Our loss of men appears greater to us then at first we could well imagine, our easiest computation being between 4 and 5000 kill'd, and between 2 and 3000 wounded. The found men, till the last Friday and Saturday, have been kept from shore, when half the *Hollandis* Squadron were permitted for three days to refresh themselves on *Lyné*, and at their return the other half to have the same permission. In the mean time an Imbargo, and a Guard set on them, both here and at *Ulshing*; and no Vessel or Passage-Boat to transport any of them upon pain of Death.

*Amsterdam, Aug. 17.* Letters from *Cleves* tell us, that the thirteenth instant the Prince of *Simeren* arriv'd there, whither his Highness the Prince of *Orange* is to depart in few days, in order to the celebration of the marriage between the Princess of *Orange*, and the aforesaid Prince of *Simeren*.

It is happy for us the winds have continued so strong at the East, to keep back the English Fleet from the *Texel*, many

of our Merchant men having in this time got in, but many are yet behinde too.

'Tis said that *Visslar* (who was second to *Tiricke Heiddes* in the late fight, shall succeed him in his place of Admiral of *Friesland*.)

*Hague, August 17.* We are not a little jealous of the belief the world may have of *de Ruyers* retreat, as we call it; and therefore the *Sieur de Somerdyke* hath been summoned before the States of *Holland*, to know if he were Author of a little Pamphlet intitled, *A Relation of Tromp's Fight, &c.* which he denyed absolutely, and so was dismissed; however among us, even by what *Somerdyke* who was in the action, relates of it, we take *Sir Jeremy Smiths* giving way, to have been a snare laid to decoy *Tromp*.

Yesterday came a hot alarm of an attempt, the English were making to Land at *Carwick*, upon which an Assembly was called in all haste, and 19 Companies of Foot, and 6 of Horse forthwith ordered to march to that Coast.

*De Witts* is returned hither, indeed to see his Child Christened, which is now lately born in his absence, but pretending to give an account of matters in the Fleet, and in the Report he makes, saies, his design was immediately to have put the Fleet to Sea again, such as it was, for our justification to the world, but that *Zealand* falling upon the repairing their Squadron, it was necessary to do so in the others too; that things were in the mean time preparing by the Fiscal, for the Council of Warr, but wise men believe that matter will be daubed over. *Tromp* and *de Ruyter* continue as they were, without any other Reconciliation, then that they meet now at publick Councils of Officers, &c. To which *Tromp* hath been obliged, partly by fair means, and partly by foul.

The States have had notice from *Alckmar*, That all their Seamen have quitted the Fleet, and are come home: which we fear is the case of other places, and the remedy will be difficult.

The French Ambassador continues to assure us, his Master is resolv'd *de Beaufort* shall joyn us, and demands a Committee to Treat with him of the manner and circumstances; but at the same time insists much that *Denmark* be required to send 20. of their Men of War to make up the party: And all this seems to ask time, and yet we are told our Fleet shall be at Sea in 8, or 10 Days.

The *Sieurs Hasselaer* and *Baare* are dispatched to the *Texel* to stop all Merchant ships from going out, and upon refusal, to cut their Cables, and disable their Tackle; order is likewise given to take up all the Sea-marks and Buoys about the *Texel*, and that no Fisher-boats be suffered to put to Sea from no part.

Yesterday about noon arriv'd an Express from *Paris* to the States, whereupon an Assembly was immediately called, the business not known, but guess'd something in relation to the French Fleet. Here is a rumor that the French Fleet is arriv'd at *Belle-Iste*.

Upon advice that the English had attempted in some Shallops to land near the *Wicke*, the Beacons were immediately fired, and the Bells rung out; and accordingly the Country got into Arms, and the Cavalry upon their Guard: Whereupon his Highness the Prince of *Orange*, the *Here Rhinegrave*, with several persons of note, came presently to *Scheveling*, and several Troops of Horse were sent down to *Carwick* for the security of those parts, in case of an attempt.

*Deals, Aug. 10.* On Wednesday night last a small West-Country Vessel, being chased by a French Sloop, secured her self under *Walmer* Castle. Yesterday 53 West-Country Vessels pass through the *Downs* Northwards, under Convoy of one of His Majesties Fregats.

*Yarmouth, August 8.* We have here advice from the Fleet, that upon the 4th instant our Fleet steering Northwards, appeared before the *Maes* and *Scheveling*, which gave no small alarm to those Coasts, as sufficiently appeared by the firing of their Beacons: on the 6th the Wind blowing Easterly, they went forward towards the *Texel*, where they likewise much allarm'd the Country about *Petten*; many Prizes fall daily into their hands, particularly we are told of a Frenchman laden with Pitch and Tar, and an Amsterdamer taken on Tuesday last, with 50 Carpenters that were going for the Fleet.