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Rome, May 13.

Here are lately arrived two Couriers from France, the one being sent by the most Christian King, to his Ambassador at this Court, and the other by the Popes Nuncio at Paris, to the Cardinal *Alsiens*, they bring his most Christian Majesties answer to the late Project, for the composing the difference arisen between that Court and this See, about the Order of *St. Lazarus*, which is so favourable, that it is not doubted, but this whole matter will be suddainly accommodated. The Duke of *Gravina*, together with the Dutches his Mother, are gone hence for *Naples*, where they intend to make their Residence. On Tuesday last Cardinal *Sigismundo Chigi*, Legat of *Ferrara*, went hence on his journey thither, having with him a very splendid Equipage. On Thursday last dyed here in Town the Duke of *Bisfinello*, to the great grief of that Family. From *Madrid* our Letters tell us, that the Duke d'*Offuna*, is recalled from the Government of *Milan*, but that his Successor was not yet appointed. On Thursday last being Absention day, the Pope according to his usual custome, intended to have given the Benediction to the people, but was hindered by his ordinary indisposition, which hath ever since detained him in his Bed.

Legorn, May 15. The Bishop of *Marseilles*, who hath been some time in this Court, is gone hence for *Rome*. Yesterday the French Gallies sailed hence for *Tunis* or *Tripoli*, where it is said, they are to joyn with severall French men of War expected from *Thoulon*.

Genova, May 17. We have advice of two French Ships of 40 Guns apiece that lye on our Coast, having Letters of *Mark*, against the Subjects of this State, from the most Christian King, and that they have taken some Barks and sent them to *Thoulon*; It is said, his Majesty hath been obliged to this proceeding, to recover satisfaction for his Subjects, who have great Debts owing them by severall Genoueses, without being able to obtain any payment of them. The Savoyards have lately given us some disturbance on the Frontiers, in taking away our Cattle, &c. In the mean time they are very busie about repairing the Fortifications of *Oneglia*, and raising the Walls much higher then they were formerly. As well the Duke of *Savoy*, as this State, has made choice of *Ferrara* to be the place for their Deputies to meet at, for the adjusting the matter of the Limits.

Warsaw, May 12. The King has written to the severall Palatinates, very earnestly pressing them, to use their utmost diligence in the speedy and effectual raising of the Moneys given by the Dyet at their last Session; It is not doubted but this Sum will be full what it was intended, the Nobility in general, contributing each his part, with the greatest readines imaginable, knowing how necessary it is for the security of the Kingdom, to hast with all speed an Army on foot; and notwithstanding the reports we had of the great force that the Turks already had together on our Frontiers, and that they were 50000 at *Caminier*, seems to have been raised by the fears and apprehensions of some people, without any ground, yet it is not thought fit to abate

any thing of our intended preparations; the 24000 Men which the Dyet resolved should be raised for a standing Army, to be employed for the defence of the Kingdom, will not be less necessary, though the Enemy be not so near at hand, so long as we are not secured of the friendship of our Neighbors, and that we are kept continually in an allarme of the Turks approach, who though at a farther distance still threatens us with an intended Invasion. Our last Letters from *Caminier* told us, that there was not above 5000 Men, and that they had advice there, that the Grand Visier would not be ready to come into the Field yet these three Months. Yesterday an other Envoy, lately arrived from the Czar of *Muscovy*, had Audience of the King, his business is, to desire this Crown, to joyn with his Master against the Turks; and we have advice, that an Ambassador from the King of *Persia*, is on his way hither with the same errand.

Vienna, May 20. The Imperial Army under the Command of the Duke of *Burnonville*. lies now in *Bohemia*, and there they will continue for some time, to refresh themselves; we are told that they would not have come back into the Hereditary Countreys but that they were every where else recruited Quarters; however here are some who confidently report, that these Forces shall after some short time take their march again towards the *Rhine*. At *Raisbonne* great endeavors are used by some of the Deputies at the Dyet, for the perswading the rest, that the Empire being threatened by a Forreign Force, the severall Circles ought immediately to bring their Forces on foot for the security thereof; but as the major part of the Dyet do not yet discover any danger; nothing has as yet been resolved on in this particular.

Hambrough, May 26. We cannot yet hear, that the Deputies concerning the business of the Coyne, are as yet assembled at *Brunswicke*, this being the first day that was appointed for the meeting. We are at present pretty quiet in these parts, our Neighbors the Dukes of *Lunenburgh* have disperst their Troops long since into their severall quarters, and there resolve they shall still continue, till there be greater occasion for their coming together, then at present there seems to be; The City of *Bremen* continues very jealous of the intentions of the *Swedes* towards them, though all the reason they have for it, is, that the *Swedes* intend to have a body of Men on foot here in *Germany*, during the present Conjuncture; From *Stockholm* our last Letters told us, that the Senate had ordered severall Troops to march for *Gottenburgh* in the *Sound*, where they are to Embark, and be thence transported to *Staadts*, and other places belonging to that Crown, in the Dutchy of *Bremen*. Our Letters from *Copenhagen* tell us nothing considerable, nor can we learn of any extraordinary preparations that Crown is at present making, either by Sea or Land, notwithstanding the reports that have been spread abroad here, that that King had obliged himself to send a Squadron of Men of War, to the assistance of the Dutch this Summer.

Cologne, May 26. All necessary preparation is making here for the reception of the severall Ambassadors, Monsieur *Courtin* (one of the French Plenipotentiaries) his Son, is arrived here with his Excellencies Baggage, and

we not doubt to see the Ambassadors themselves here in a very short time. The Treaty concluded between the most Christian King and the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, is now made publick by both parties, so that it is now clear that the Dutch will be perswaded of the truth of what hath been so long reported concerning this Treaty. The Imperial Troops, under the Command of the Duke of *Bourbonville*, not having been able to obtain of any of the Princes or States of the Empire, to quarter in their Territories, have been forced to return for *Bohemia*, where they at present are; and though the Letters we receive from the Court at *Vienna* do not make any mention of their intending to remove as yet from thence, yet those we receive from *Holland* will assure us, that they are on their march this way again; It is said here, that the most Christian King hath by his Minister at *Vienna*, represented to his Imperial Majesty, that in case he should cause his Troops, to march to the assistance of the States General, during his being in a War with them, he should be obliged to take his measures accordingly. From *Soest* we are from time to time told, that Monsieur de *Tarvenne* will come down the *Rhine* again towards *Maastricht*, but at the coming away of our last Letters, he was not yet broke up from thence. Yesterday the Duke de *Chaulnes*, and the rest of the French Plenipotentiaries arrived at *Breuil* from *Aix La Chappelle*, so that they may now be here in a day or two at farthest. From *Westphalia* they write, that the Bishop of *Munster* continues still at *Caesvelt*, and that he has a very considerable Body of Men at present together, though as yet we hear of no action on that side.

Swoll, May 26. All along the Dyke from *Meppe* to *Wych* lies encamped 21 Troops of the Bishop of *Munsters* Horse, and we are told of a considerable Body of Men that are likewise come to *Aelfelt*, but are most Infantry: in like manner they are bringing their Forces on foot in other places, in order to their marching to the place appointed for the Rendezvous; we cannot yet certainly learn, what design those Troops will first take in hand, though the general opinion is, that they will fall into *Frisland*, which the Dutch seem very much to apprehend, and therefore have sent all the Force they could spare, to joyn with the Forces of that Province, for their better defence. Prince *Munrix*, to whom the States have committed the chief Command of their Forces there, is at present at *Leewaerden*, and omits no endeavors for the putting things in the best posture he can; though the generality of the Inhabitants seem mightily discouraged, and very diffident of their own strength.

Higue, May 29. Here is arrived an Envoy from the Duke of *Lorraine*, but not having as yet had Audience of the States, we are ignorant of his Errand. The Prince of *Orange* continues in the Leager, yet so, as to pass frequently from one place to another, to see all things be in good order; and it is said, that the several Posts on the Frontiers, are at present so well provided with all things necessary for their defence, that we do not much fear the Enemies attempting them. The French have used some endeavors to force us from our Post at *Neverssuis*, but hitherto, without any great effect, though in truth they have not as yet seemed to have been in earnest, having onely sent out small parties rather to alarme us, and discover the posture we were in, then with any farther design. The Count de *Montorey*, Governor of the Spanish Neatherlands, hath lately sent several Expresses hither, to acquaint the States with the Motions of the French Arm, and to desire them to assist him with what Force they can, to the end he may be in a condition of defence, if any thing extraordinary happen. It is still very confidently reported here, that the Imperialists, being 24000

Men, Horse and Foot, besides 3000 of the Duke of *Lorraine's* Troops, and the like number of the Elector of *Saxony's*, are on their march towards the *Rhine*.

London, May 26. The *Humphry* and *Elizabeth*, Captain *Rob. Metford* Commander, and the *Surrat* Merchant, Captain *Francis Johnson*, being arrived at *Plymouth* from *St. Helena*, bring advice, That the said Ship *Humphrey* and *Elizabeth*, which was sent forth in *July* last, by the *East India* Company, with Souldiers, Ordnance, and Ammunition, for the Fortifying of that Island; arrived there the 18 of *November*, and accordingly applied themselves to the planting of their Guns, and Fortifying of that Island, and putting it into a posture of Defence; And that on the 20 of *December* following, there arrived in the Road of *St. Helena*, four of the Dutch *East India* Companies Ships, with above 600 Men, viz. the *Frayhead*, the *Paulsbrooks*, and the *Gottenburgh*, and one small Ship, which went out from the *Netherlands* about *April* or *May* 1672. and coming to the usual place of Landing, engaged against the Fortifications and the Ship *Humphrey* and *Elizabeth* (that lay in the Road) for some hours together, but finding it too hot for them, declined that place, and attempted the Island in other places, and were beaten off several times, but on the 31 of *December*, and first of *January*; they Landing about 400 Men in an unusual place, our Men being spent with continual watching and labour, the Enemy gained the Hills, and posselt themselves of the Island, our Fort not being Tenable to the Landward; Whereupon the Governor of the Island, and People, Retreated on Board the Ship *Humphrey* and *Elizabeth*, and the *Surrat* Merchant, which during the dispute, came into the Road in a weak condition, and also a French Ship from *Quantum*, which set sail from *St. Helena* the first of *January* at night, and arrived at *Plymouth* the 22 of this instant.

Yarmouth, May 26. This afternoon came in here a Kerch, which attends upon the *Royal Charles*, the Master tells us, That he left His Majesties Fleet yesterday about two in the morning, in a very good condition; That the Dutch Fleet lay then at Anchor off of the *Weilings*, about four Leagues from the Shore; that His Majesties Fleet lay a League farther to Sea, in fight of them; and that they had had very bad weather since their being on that Coast.

Advertisements.

Whereas in *Swan's* Almanack for this present year 1672.

Printed at *Cambridge*, there has happened a mistake in setting down the time of the Commencement in that University: The Printer of the said University doth hereby direct to give Notice to all who may be concerned therein, that the first of *July* next is Commencement Tuesday. This Advertisement was thought fit to be published, that no Persons may come too late, by relying upon the time set down in the said Almanack.

The Testimonial or Certificates in Parchment, of the Records, to be made in the Quarter Sessions for the several Counties, Cities, Burroughs, and places within the Realm of *England*, Dominion of *Wales*, Town of *Weswick* upon *Tweed*, and the Islands of *Jersey* and *Guernsey*, (fit to be H A D and K E P T by all Persons, to manifest their performance of the matters enjoyned by the late Act made touching *Popish Recusants*,) being the most exact and authentick form) is Licenced and Entred according to Law, for *John Bellinger* and *Charles Harper*, and are to be Sold by them in *Cliffords Inn Lane*, next *St. Dunstons Church*, and at the *Flower de luce* over against the same *St. Dunstons Church* in *Fleetstreet*, and are all marked with a Bell, a *Flower de luce*, and *Crown* in the Margin. And at the same places are to be Sold the other Certificates in Parchment, of receiving the Sacrament, to which two Persons are to swear which the same is delivered into Court.

That all Justices of the Peace and other His Majesties Officers, whom it may concern, do take care that all Persons that present publickly any Plays, Shews, or Operations upon any Stage, &c. may produce their Licence under the Hand and Seal of *Thomas Killegreen* Esquire, now Master of the *Revels*, and in case they want such Licenses, that they be layd hold on, and the said Mr *K. Killegreen* certified of the same.