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Liege, June 6.

THis day we have advice, that several Troops of French Cavalry, coming from the Kings Leaguer, are pass'd by *Congres*, towards *Maeſtricht*. The first instant five Companies of Spanish Foot arrived at *Maeſtricht*, and from thence they write, of several other Troops they expected there from *Holland* and *Flanders*, for the reinforcement of that Garrison. Last night the most Christian King lodged at *Hillesum*, near *Tbienen*, and this afternoon is expected here.

Cologne, June 6. The Swedish Mediators are daily expected here from *Aix la Chapelle*, being already on their way; At *Trier* are arrived 800 Imperialists, and 400 at *Coblenz*, who it is said, are to continue in Garrison there, having taken an Oath of Fidelity to that Elector. The Duke of *Lorrain* and the Prince of *Vaudemont*, is at present at *Franckfort*, having obtained leave of the Circle, to march his Troops through *Suabe*, on condition they pay punctually for all Provisions and other necessaries, they may have occasion for in their march. Monsieur *de Turenne* lies still at *Soest*, though some report, that he will march up the *Rhine*, with the Forces under his Command, especially if the Imperialists come this way again. 5000 French Horse are come to *Nuß*, being drawn out of *Wesel*, and those other Garrisons, and are, it is said, to march for *Maeſtricht*.

Rome, May 20. His Holiness hath been of late extremely indisposed, insomuch that he hath not been able to give Audience to the Ambassadors and other publick Ministers residing here, according to the Custom of this Court; his Relations seem very much concerned, and fear that this continual distemper which lies upon him, together with his great age, will ere long end his Life. The difference between the most Christian King and this See, concerning the order of *St. Lazarus*, is now in a fair way of an Accommodation, the most Christian King having gone as far in this matter, as could be expected from him. The Duke of *Gravina*, together with the Duchesse his Mother, are gone hence for *Naples*, where they intend to reside for some time.

Venice, May 21. The peaceable posture of these parts afford us very little to advise from hence; what we hear from abroad, is, that the preparation of the Turks are not so great, as they were some time since reported to be; that the Grand Vizier will not be able to take the Field till *August* or *September* next; and many are of opinion, that the Grand Signior has not any intentions at all of entering into a War this Summer with the *Poles*, and the rather, because as well the *Muscovites* as the *Persians*, would, it is thought, be glad of the occasion to engage in a War against the *Port*.

Hague, June 5. Monsieur *Beaumont* is lately returned hither from the Court of *Denmark*, with an account of his having concluded a Treaty of strict Alliance with that Crown, of which, the Ratification will be here in few days, and it is said, that an Envoye is gone on the part of this State to the Princes of *Lunenburgh*,

to endeavor to persuade them to enter into this Treaty; in the mean time the Count *de Monterey*, Governor of the Spanish *Netherlands*, does not answer our expectation, for we did not think that he would have permitted the French Troops to pass and repass in the Spanish Territories, without the least hindrance or opposition; so that now we are almost forced to quit the hopes we had to see the Crown of *Spain* engaged in a War with *France*. The States of *Holland* at their next meeting, which will be this day sevenight, are to make choice of an Envoye to be sent to the Emperor, to press the halting the march of the Imperial Troops towards the *Rhine* again; Our last Letters from *Vienna* tell us, that that Court had been extremely surprized at the news of the Treaty concluded between the French and the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, and had thereupon resolved, instead of increasing the Army with fresh Troops, to disband many of those that are already on foot.

The French in *Utrecht* have not as yet done any thing considerable, though they are preparing for some great Action, which some say, has not as yet been enterprised, by reason of the Prince of *Conde's* indisposition; The French came together at *Breukelen*, with intentions to Attack *Neuerſluis*, which Post is said to be at present in a very good posture of defence. We apprehend mightily that *Groningen* will be Besieged by the Bishop of *Munster*, our last advices from those parts said, that his Troops drew that way. The Prince of *Orange* continues indefatigable in his endeavors for the putting all things in the best condition he can, to which end he is continually passing from one Post to another, to see things be every where as they ought. It is said here, that Monsieur *de Turenne* will march towards *Friesland*.

Amsterdam, June 6. All our Frontier places are said to be at present in a very good condition, so that we would seem not greatly to apprehend the Enemy; on this side of *Holland*, we have four principal Posts; the first at *Muyden*, where Count *Waldeck* Commands; the second at *Newer Sluis*, and *Newerbrugge*, where Colonel *Stoekheim* and Major *Palm* Commands; the third at *Ter Gouda*, where is the Count *Horn*; and the fourth at *Languerack* and *Gorcum*, where the Count *Nassau* Commands; Prince *Maurits* is General in *Friesland*; and the Velt Marshal *Wurtz* is at *Sluis*, from whence it is said, he will go with some Troops into *Zealand* for the security of that Province. The 3 instant a Rencontre happened between a Party of French, and two Troops of Horse, and one of Foot, sent out from *Languerack*, by the Count *de Nassau*, in which, two of our Captains, and many of our Men were killed. Yesterday the French begun to fortify themselves at *Muderbergh*; they have already planted several Guns there, and this morning they fired from thence very furiously upon *Muyden*; they have likewise attacked *Newerſluis*, but have not as yet been able to do any good; certain it is, they are making preparations at *Breukelen* for another attack.

Ditto, June 8. We hear great shooting here, which must be the Guns that pass between *Muyden* and the French at *Muderbergh*; we send to the former place all the Supplies we can from hence; this day eight Guns