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Bridlington, Aug. 9.

Yesterday came into this Bay, a French man of War, who had been cruising to the Northwards, the Capt. reports, that the *Nightingal* Frigate was in his company, and had retaken from a Dutch Caper of 35 Guns, three Prizes, a French Vessel laden with Wine and Brandy, and two English, the one laden with Sugars from *Barbadoes*, but could not give an account of the lading of the other.

Cologne, August 15. The 13 instant arrived here Prince *Willem of Furstenberg*; and yesterday came to Town the Heer *van Beverning* and the Heer *van Haren* from the *Hague*, from whence Don *Emanuel de Lya* the Spanish Minister, is likewise daily expected. The Duke of *Hanovre* has been at *Cassel*, to desire passage for his Troops, which are now ready to pass into the Service of his most Christian Majesty. From *Frankfort* of the 13 instant they write, that the 11 instant Monsieur *de Turenne* Decamped with his Forces from *Wetzlar*, taking the way of *Affenheim*; In the mean time we hear, he has caused a Bridge to be made over the *Main* near *Achaffembourg*, in order to his passing into *Franconia*, there to observe the Movions of the Imperial Army; and from *Miyence* of the same date they tell us, that Monsieur *de Turenne* was on his march, with intentions to pass the *Main* at *Sellingstat*, above *Frankfort*, and that from thence he would advance towards the River *Nocher*, and the Forest of *Oldermilt*, to enter into the Duchy of *Wirzenbergh*, there to joyn with such Troops, as his most Christian Majesty has caused to advance to *Philipsburgh* on the *Rhyn*. It is said, that the Elector of *Mentz* will meet his Imperial Majesty at the Rendezvous at *Egra*.

Nancy, Aug. 16. The 6 instant his most Christian Majesty gave Audience to the Envoy which lately arrived here from the Elector of *Treves*; It is said his Errand was to represent to his Majesty, the damage his Territories received by the lodgment of his Troops, and that the King having very favourably heard him on that Subject, told him, that without a very pressing necessity, he would not have caused his Troops to pass into the Dominions of his Electoral Highness, and assured him, that he would give such good Orders for the keeping the Soldiery in an exact Discipline, that he should not for the future have any reason to complain. The same day his Majesty made a review of his Troops that are here, and was extraordinarily satisfied with them. The 12 the Marquis *de Louvois* returned hither from *Alsacia*, whither he had been sent by his Majesty to visit *Brissac*, *Philipsbourg* and the other Frontier places, which he found in a very good condition.

Brussels, Aug. 16. The Marschal *d'Humieres* bringing a considerable Body of Men together near *Tournay*, put us into some trouble here, for that we presently apprehended it was with design to Attack *Cambray*, or some other of our Frontier places; but since we understand that the said Troops are all dispersed again to their several quarters; and that the Marschal *d'Humieres* is returned to *Liste*. We have certain advice of the Emperors departure from *Pignna* to *Egra*, and that the Rendezvous of the Army was

appointed to be on this day. Monsieur *de Turenne* advances with the Fortes under his Command towards *Franconia*; and in the mean time the Chevalier *de Foucilles* continues with his Body of Horse, in the Territories of the Elector of *Treves*.

Brussels, Aug. 19. The 16 instant the Prince of *Conde* arrived with several Brigades of Horse at *Aeth*; whether the Marschal *d'Humieres* came likewise to counter with him, and the 17 went thence for *Liste*; it is said, that the Prince will in few days bring together a Body of an Army in the neighborhood of *Aeth*; in his absence we hear the Duke of *Luxemburgh* Commands all the Kings Forces in the Province of *Utrecht*; and is at present in that City. The fourth instant the Emperor began his journey for *Egra*, and the 16 instant the Army was to Rendezvous there; after which, it is said, they will in a day or two begin to march towards the Electorate of *Treves*. The most Christian King continues still at *Nancy*. The Fortifications of which place are now said to be almost finished.

Antwerp, Aug. 19. From *Amsterdam* they write, That the 17 instant the English Fleet had been seen off of *Uyland*, very near the Shore, and that the Dutch Fleet was the same day at Ankor off of *Retten* near the *Texel*. That from the 13 till the 17, there had been very high winds, but that they heard of no damage occasioned them, except the loss of a Dutch Caper, who was cast away going into the *Texel*. From *Zenland* we have advice, that the States of that Province had issued a Placaet, Commanding all those who had taken out private Commissions forthwith to fit out their Ships, and to repair with them to the Fleet, to serve there for one month, after which they should be at liberty to go and cruise; and besides, that they shall be allowed for the said months service according to the rate of 12 Guilders for every Gun the Ship is mounted with, provided she be supplied with Men and all other necessaries proportionable.

Hague, Aug. 15. The 1 instant in the afternoon his Highness the Prince of *Orange* arrived here from the *Helder* at the *Texel*; and that evening was in the Assembly of the States of *Holland*, which continued till 11 at night; the next morning his Highness being accompanied by several persons of quality, went off in a small Vessel from *Sceveling* to our Fleet, and dined on board Lieutenant Admiral *de Ruyter*, whither having called all the Flag-Officers, and admonished them to perform their duty on all occasions as became them; returned higher again about 7 a clock in the evening; the next morning the Fleet set sail and took their course Northwards, having at the same time advice, that the English Fleet lay off of the *Uy* and the *Ems*; so that we are now in continual expectation to hear of an Engagement; In the mean time we hear that our Fleet hath taken in one months provision more, that they have been lately reinforced with two considerable Men of War, and that besides, they have among them several small Frigates, fitted out by private Persons, who are to serve in the Fleet one month, and afterwards have leave to go and cruise. Saturday last Don *Bernardo de Salinas* arrived at the *Hague*, the next day he went for *Brussels*, and is expected here again tomorrow, in order to his going with Don *Emanuel de Lya* for