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Bristol, August 22.

THe Dutch Prisoners that had the liberty of walking this City, had it seems plotted the firing a great pile of Faggots which stood upon the Key, where most of our ships now lye, with an intention to have burnt them, and with them a great part of the Town; but their design being timely discovered by a Maid of the House, where they were discoursing it, (who, by good fortune understood their language) the Mayor of this City set so good a guard upon them, that they were taken in the very fact, and committed to prison.

Dublin, August 18. On Thursday morning last, His Grace the Lord Lieutenant went hence towards *Kilkenny*, whither six of the Royal Companies marched before to attend him there. He takes his Journey through the County of *Wicklow* and *Wexford*, where by the way tis thought he will spend five or six daies, being attended out of Town by a considerable number of the Gentry, and one of the Militia Troops commanded by the Lord Mayor, the Earl of *Anglesey*, and Lord *Dungannon*, accompanying him, and the next week the Lord Chancellor and others of the Council intend to follow him.

Several Waggons with Powder and Ammunition, with four field pieces, are this week sent down for the use of the Garrisons of *Kilkenny* and *Clonmel*.

Newcastle, Aug. 21. On Sunday last came in an Hoy belonging to *Hamborough*, laden with Deales from *North-Bergen*, from whence he arrived here in ten daies, who knows not of any Dutch Merchants in those parts, but only such as are come in to load.

Plymouth, Aug. 21. Yesterday arrived an *Operto* Merchant from *Jamaica*, who assures us, that four Privateers from that Island in *May* last, possess themselves of the Island of *Providence*, and that one Captain *Smith* is sent thither to govern it.

Yarmouth, Aug. 22. This day was brought in hither a Danish Prize, taken upon the Coast of *Norway*, by the *Sorlings*, one of the Convoys to the *Gottenberg* Fleet, whom he left on Friday last within sight of the *Naesse*.

Norwich, Aug. 22. The Account of our Bill of Mortality for this last week runs thus, Buried of all Diseases 218. whereof of the Plague 201. besides at the Pesthouse 2.

West Comes, Aug. 22. The last night arrived the *St. Paul* of London, but (as pretended) a Swede of *Gottenburgh*, *Paul Reyners* Commander, lately a slave in *Algier*; the ship was there bought by an English Merchant, who redeemed also four slaves: about *Cape St. Martin* in the *Streights*, he past thirteen French Gallies, wearing Swedes Colors. On the 7th instant he met with a Pickaroon at Sea, with French, Dutch, and Spanish Commissions, who plundered him of 40 peeces of Fruit, and other goods, besides money, by him he learnt that *de Beaufort* was gone from *Lisbon* for *Rochelle*, with about forty sail, great and small, whereof five Fireships.

Dantzick, Aug. 21. The Articles of Peace between his Majesty of *Poland*, and the Confederates, were concluded the 31st past, and since confirmed by Oath on each party; the Articles were principally these: A General Act of Oblivion to be ratified by the next Parliament; an Evacuation of Garrisons; the Mint to remain as it is, till the next Parliament; the Confederacy to be dissolved and abjured. *Lubomirski* to beg his pardon, where and when the King pleases, to disband his forces and swear Fidelity, and to be assigned a place where for a limited time, he may reside out of his Country. The

Army to beg pardon by their Officers, to abjure the Confederacy, and pass under the Command of the General, &c.

Warsaw, Aug. 13. The eight instant Monsieur *Lubomirski* came before his Majesty in the Leaguer before *Pulawy*, where with the Senators and Officers of the *Weywoodskast* and Confederates, that stood under their arms, he beg'd pardon in presence of many Senators, and took the Oath of Fidelity upon his knees, His Majesty afterwards lifting him up with both hands, he having first made an humble speech to his Majesty, which was answered by the Chancellor. His sons with himself afterwards kiss the Kings hand; which being done, the Confederates burnt the writings of their Alliance, and returned to their Companies.

Hamb. 13th, Aug. 18. The Swedes forces increase; the difference with *Breme* in the same posture as formerly; the King of *Denmark* has caused his Artillery to be drawn on shore at *Gluckstadt*, and a Fort to be built at *St. Margarete*. The Dutch Resident at *Copenhagen* presses hard to have the *Danes* Fleet come to his Masters assistance; but no resolution is given, nor are they in a posture for want of Seamen, most of those from *Norway*, being either dead or sick; They continue their rigor in searching all ships bound for *England*, sending both Ships and Masters to *Copenhagen* to be examined.

Hague, Aug. 21. We have received by the mouth of *Hasselaerand Baard*, the lamentable report of the late accident at the *Uly*, with the manner of it: and that two Conveyers, three *Guiny* men; and as many laden with Cannon from *Sweden*, with 27 laden for *Muscovy*, and many others were lost; and that partly by the cowardice of the Masters and Mariners, who all ran away, and abandoned them to the English, who passing from ship to ship, set fire on the Masts and other stuff they found, and so burnt them without any opposition or difficulty; and it seems the Deputies had much ado to save themselves: Order is given to the Admiralties to proceed against many of the Masters of those ships that were burnt, for daring to fall down contrary to the order of the State. In the mean time *Friesland* hath made an high complaint of the ill management of that affair; and the want of publick care to provide against misfortunes of that kind: representing that the Inhabitants *Schelling* and *Ulielandt* desert their habitations, and fly into that Province for shelter: whereupon some companies have been ordered that way to hearten the Inhabitants. This action of the English has given us just cause to look to our defence in other places, and accordingly the Soldiers are every where commanded to the Dykes, and every third Boar or Peasant forced to the watch, to hinder any farther attempts.

Gueder, *Overijssel*, and *Utrecht*, refuse to contribute any longer to this War, and indeed are unable; however maney hath been pickt up for the present fortifying of the Fleet. And now the States press, That a strict Process should be made against those that were wanting to their Duties in the last fight, whoever they are, which strikes terror into many; but 'tis generally thought, that *Tromp* is principally aimed at. Seven Sentences are already drawn up, but against whom is not yet known.

Ditto, Aug. 24. The Marquels *de Bellesonds* is arrived in three dayes from the *Bois de Vincennes*, and is this morning early going with Monsieur *D'Estredes* towards the Fleet, with a Present to *de Ruyter* of the Order of *St. Michael*, with a Bouquet of Diamonds valued at Ten thousand Crowns; and, as 'tis said, with an offer of an yearly Pension from that King of 12000 Livres. His Errand is to assure us from the French King, that *Beaufort* is on his way towards *Rochelle*, and desires that *D'Estredes* and he may adjust with us the

way and manner of a Conjunction; and are accordingly ordered to advise with *De Ruyter* and *De Witte*, about all the circumstances of that Affair.

Ditto, Aug. 27. *Tromp* presenting himself to the States, was the first day put off, and required to attend the day after; when coming before them, he was told, That upon certain disputes arisen between him and *de Ruyter*, it was found fit to take away his Commission of Lieutenant Admiral of *Holland*; which he seemed to acquiesce in very willingly, and to with a Complement retired. Upon which, the States of *Holland* notified the change to the States General, where *Utrecht*, *Overyssel*, and *Groningen*, demanded the Reasons; *Holland* answered, They had nothing to object against *Tromp*, but only that they had thought fit to take their Commission of Lieutenant Admiral from him. In the mean time, the Letter he writ to the States General remains suppressed, though *Zealand* and the other Provinces insist much to have Copies of it. He upon this desired to resign up his Commission of Captain to the States General. And upon further Consultation, Order is sent him not to stir out of the *Hague*, without Licence from the States, upon severe penalties. His Brother-in-law *Kywidt*, Burgmaster and Deputy of *Rotterdam* in the States General, having confessed himself the Author of the late Relation of *Somerdyke*, is deposed of all his Charges, and himself retired, with one *Vander Horst*, to *Antwerp*; the Fiscal of *Holland* in the mean time being ordered to proceed against him criminally as Author of a seditious Libel. In the place of *Tromp*, is chosen Lieut. Admiral of *Amsterdam*, *Joseph Van Ghent*, Son to one of that name who is Deputy of *Guelder*; his Vice-admiral is *Sweers*, and his Rere-admiral *Jan Gideens*. *Friesland* hath chosen, as 'tis said, in the place of *Tirick Heides* their Lieutenant-admiral lately kill'd, Rere-admiral *Bruyssvelt*; and Capt. *Wyselzer* Rere-admiral.

Ditto, Aug. 31. Now we have notice come, that the King of *Denmark* upon instance from us, and the French King, is willing to lend us 16 or 20 of his ships to joyn the common Fleet. But we shall hardly stay for them, but with all speed put out what we have of our own.

A plain Defensive League is agreed on with *Denmark* and *Lunenburg*, and the like with *Brandenburgh* is desired; but that Elector stands off yet, and presses us for more money, in consideration of the extraordinary force he is obliged still to keep on foot.

The *Sieur Hauterive*, Governor of *Breda*, writes, he had discovered a Train of Powder laid to have fired the Magazin of Stores and Provisions there. Of which, he suspects the Papists in that place.

Holland presses for the building yet twelve ships more, but the other Provinces say plainly they are not able to contribute farther: So as indeed, *Holland* must do all, or all must be undone.

Rome, Aug. 14. We have here a Courier from *Finale*, with the news of the Empress's arrival there, having embarked the 10 instant at *Barcellona*. The Cardinal *Chisy* has quitted his design of complementing the Empress, by reason of the Popes great indisposition, who yet has lately found himself able to satisfy the importunity of the French Ambassador, and to give him Audience. 'Tis left to the Governor of *Milan* to choose one of these four Cardinal Legates to supply the place of Cardinal *Chisy*, viz. *Bichi* Legate of *Urbino*, *Buonvisi* of *Ferrara*, *Piccolomini* of *Romagne*, or *Caraffa* of *Bologne*.

Vienna, Aug. 15. The 4 instant, arrived a Turkish *Chiaz* with five persons, whose Negotiation is only matter of Complement and Thanks for his good Neighbourhood, and the Release of some Prisoners.

Frankfort, August 12. The Elector of *Mayence* continues still at *Wirzberg*, and has lately disbanded some companies in the Garrison at *Erford*, which shows us some hopes of a peaceable composition of their differences. The Prince of *Denmark* is yet at *Cassel*, where the Officers of health are very strict in their guards to keep his person from the Contagion, refusing to let the Prince Elector Palatine Ambassadors enter, though they were at the Gates, in their way to *Sweden*.

Seville, Aug. 3. The Duke de *Veragua* in the Capitana-

Real, accompanied with four other ships of the *Armada*, set out from *Cadix* four days since, for the Coasts of *Algarve*, the nearest part of the Sea Coast of *Portugal* towards *Andalusia*, where the Admiral *Keat Don Du: de Ybarra* with 21 sail was attending him.

The news of 22 Turks Men of War, said to be come out of the *Streights* to intercept the *New Spain* Fleet, gives no small care to these parts; the great booty they met with in the two *West-India* ships they formerly took, encourages them to hope after these; but if the four Men of War of *Centurioni's* Squadron, joyns with the *New Spain* Fleet, as they have orders to do, they need not fear the Turks attempts.

Husking, Aug. 31. We are upon the brink of a strange confusion: The late conflagration at the *Milie* seems but a faint emblem and prognostick of a more fatal flame ready to break out in the State. *Tromp's* being cashiered by them of *Holland*, and without any reason given, breeds very ill blood among the common people; the quarrel lately growing so high in this place between the *Ruyterists* and *Trompists*, that several have been kill'd in the quarrel; his whole Squadron in the Fleet ready to rebel; those of his own Ship openly refusing to receive his Successor *Van Ghent*: So as the *Dupies* have been forced to distribute those men upon different ships, and to new Man his Ship with others, lest of the Rebellion.

To all this is added, the matter of *Buat's* seizure, upon whose examination and view of his Papers is found, that indeed the wishes he had made towards a good Peace with *England*, were by the consent and advice of a great part of the States themselves; and most of the principal Magistrates of *Holland*; already the names of 16 or 18 are given in, which were his Companions in what he is accused of, which makes that matter look very dreadfully to the quiet of the State, if indeed our prevailing party drive it to extremities. However, they have already appointed his Judges, and order is given to form his Process.

Brussels, Aug. 31. Yesterday past by this place the *Marques de Bellefonds* in his return from *Zealand*; where he left *de Witte* and *de Ruyter*, with great hopes of getting out their Fleet again to Sea by the end of this week, which *de Witte* pressed with passion, and *de Ruyter* seemed to consent to, having conceived a good opinion of his strength and fineness: Some consultations there have been of attending the French, who ('tis said) arrived at *Rochelle* the 17th, and talked of being ready in few daies, but with resolution not to stay for them, believing themselves strong enough without them; and that 15 daies time, or thereabouts, might make a great Crisis in their affairs: But 'tis generally believed, that were their *East-India* Fleet in safety, considering their present posture, nothing else could tempt them to come out this year.

Royal Charles in *Southwold Bay*, Aug. 23. We know not what to think of the advice brought in some days since by the *Little Mary*, who being sent to scout abroad by the Generals, brought in word, That on Tuesday the Twenty one, 56 sail of the enemies were come out as far as the *Weilings*, and the rest preparing to follow. But the Letters of the same day from *Zealand* speaking them still there; and the same Frigate (the *Little Mary*) sent abroad again for further Discovery, bringing this day word, That she had been Nineteen Leagues off at Sea, and yet had not made one Sail of them, We believe they may have only dissembled a coming to Sea, and being forced to it by the Clamors and Discontents of the Commonalty at home, may have stood out as far as the *Weilings*, or it may be *Schoneveldt*, to amuse their People.

Harwich, August 25. Yesterday came in here a Keetch from the Fleet in *Sowle-Bay*, who left them at 7, or 8, in the morning, with their Top-sails loose and unmored, in a posture ready for sailing, but without any late News of the Enemy.

Whitchal, Aug. 26. Letters from *Ostend* of Sept. 3. say, Seven or Eight of the *Holland* Fleet sailed from *Flushing* on Tuesday last afternoon, and that the next day Twenty more were intended to follow: But it was believed they were only to pass into the *Weilings*, and there stay for fashion-sake, till the rest of the Fleet could come out; which was given out, would be that Week.