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*Copenhagen, August 31.*

**T**HEIR Danish Majesties came to Town last Tuesday to see the Wares brought from China, but they had no Court, and returned to Fridericksbourg the Thursday following. The Warlike Preparations, tending in all Appearance to a Descent upon Sweden, still advance: Four Regiments of Infantry being commanded, are marching hither from Holstein, and the Cavalry wait only for a like Order. General ArenschioId is expected here with a large Quantity of Artillery from the Magazines of Rendsburg and Gluckstadt. The Embargo continues; and Carpenters are now employed in fitting up some of the Transports for the Reception both of Men and Horses. General Arnold is arrived at Court to take Instructions with respect to the Troops under his Command in Norway. Count Daneskiold goes this Day to hoist his Flag on board the Sextus. While the whole Danish Force both by Sea and Land is thus getting ready, due Endeavours are likewise used to raise Money. The King has not only taken into his own Hands several Capitals appropriated to publick and Charitable Uses, for which he pays the Interest, but by an Ordonnance dated the 20th Instant, N. S. just published, his Majesty has demanded an extraordinary Contribution from his Subjects of Denmark. This Contribution, which is very heavy and extensive, consists of the following Articles; a Tax upon Means in general, a Poll-Tax, a Tax upon Coaches, Chairs, &c. a Tax upon Horses, an Augmentation of the Tax upon Wines and Brandy, with an Excise upon Beer; to which is added a Specification of some few necessary Exemptions. An Ordonnance of the like Nature, dated the 23d Instant, is published for the regal Part of Holstein, and another is preparing for the Kingdom of Norway.

*Worms, August 31, N. S.* On Thursday last the whole combined Army encamped in this Neighbourhood, and Yesterday in the Morning his Majesty arrived here in perfect Health, as did also his Royal Highness the Duke. His Majesty has taken his Quarters in the Castle in this City. Yesterday early in the Morning, a smart Engagement happened within half a League of this

Place, between a Party of French Dragoons of between 2 and 300 Men, under the Command of a Lieutenant Colonel, (who was detached to reconnoitre our Army,) and about the same Number of Austrian Hussars, commanded by Colonel Bellenzai, who ordered Part of his Hussars to dismount and attack the French Dragoons, who were drawn up within the Walls of a Ruin. The French made a vigorous Resistance for some Time, but were at last overpowered. Some few escaped. The Lieutenant Colonel was taken Prisoner, with 80 Dragoons and their Horses, which are brought to the Austrian Camp, and the Lieutenant Colonel is since dead of the Wounds he receiv'd in the Engagement. The Dutch Auxiliaries will be near Franckfort on the 5th of September, where they are to pass the Mayn, for which Provision is made, as well as for their passing the Rhine, upon our Bridge, which we have moved upwards with us; and we make no doubt but that they will join the Army here about the 8th or 9th. We have no News of Prince Charles, since the 21st, that can be depended upon. We are now in the Camp that the French left about a Month ago. They have not yet made any Motion towards us. Our Army is in very good Heart.

*Brussels, Sept. 4, N. S.* The following supplemental Placard, for preventing the Communication of Infection from Foreign Parts, has been published here.

**W**HEREAS by Placard of the 1st of this Month, the necessary Precautions were commanded to be taken in order to prevent the Spreading of the Plague in these Countries, which now rages in the Kingdom of Sicily; and whereas Information hath since been given, that the Court of France hath not as yet made any Disposition for preventing the Spreading thereof in the Dominions of that Crown; that no Edict or Order for that Purpose hath as yet been received at Dunkirk; and that there was only a Pinnace stationed by the Chamber of Commerce there, to keep a Look-out along the Coast, for the Vessels which shall come from infected Places; his Excellency hath by way of Precaution forbidden, and by these Presents doth forbid the Entry and Transit of Wools and Cottons