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Alborough, Septemb. 7.

The *Adventure*, with the *Portland*, coming from *Harmwich* on Saturday last, came on Sunday last into *Ouseley Bay*, from whence going Westwards to seek our Fleet about four in the Afternoon; discovered the *Dutch Fleet* about 86. Sail of all sorts; at anchor, five Leagues off the North Furlong; Six of whom gave chase to them for about 3. leagues, when the two Frigots laying by to entertain them; the *Dutch* modestly gave over the chase; they discovered in their Fleet 5. Admirals, 5. Vice-Admirals, and 5. Rear-Admirals.

Margate, Septemb. 10. Yesterday morning the whole *Dutch Fleet* passed by this Island on the back of the *Goodwins*: being passed the North-land head, they seemed to tack as if they had a resolution to stand in with the Tyde, which posture of theirs drew us to our Arms; but they lay at distance most part of the day, and towards the Evening seemed to make some way, but before the Sun-set their Rear was scarce discernable; and the next morning were out of sight.

Seville, Aug. 17. The Duke de *Medina Cæli* hath removed his Quarters from *Palma* to *San Pedro de Leon*, a place of greater Strength, though lesser then the other, and three Leagues nearer the Frontiers of *Portugall*: Great store of Barly and Flower for Bisquet is carried in to the Head-Quarters, which gives occasion to believe they intend for Action this Autumne. The Duke de *Veraguas* is joynd with the rest of the Armada still on the Coasts of *Portugall*. The Vice-Admirall of the Flanders Squadron encountering with Five *Turks* on the Coast of *Portugall*, not far from the rest of the Armada, defended himself so very resolutely, that they thought fit to leave him; but being much shattered and worn in the Dispute with them, he was forc'd to bear up to the *Canary Islands*; not being able to return to the rest of the Armada.

Five dayes since arrived at *St. Lucar*, the *New Spain* Fleet, in all 14 Sazl, of which 2. Gallions, and 1. Patach, the rest Merchants; A Fleet very richly laden, and having besides Pieces of Eight 4. Millions, whereof 700 thousand on the Kings Account.

Paris, Septemb. 11. His Majesty has dispatch't a Courier to recall the *Chevaliers de Lorraine, de Biffes*, and several other Persons that were on their Journey to Embarque in the Fleet: the Duke de *Beaufort* being still at *Roshell*, expecting the return of the Count de *la Fucillade*, who (tis said) is gone for the *Hague*, to inform the States of the Intentions of this Court in order to the Conjunction of the Fleets. And now comes a Report; that our Fleet is arriv'd at *Brest*.

The Duke of *Longueville* has taken his leave of the Court, and is gone for *Dalmatia*, to serve the *Venitians* against the *Turks*, being by his Majesty excus'd from the Service of the Fleet.

The *Swisse* Officers having received the last Week a Pacquet from the 13 Cantons, under their Seal, have lately met together, and chosen their Deputies, to move the King to pay them their Arrears.

'Tis said, the *Marquis de Fuentes* is expected here Ambassador from *Spain* in the place of his Father who is recalled by that Crown.

The Kings Guards of all kinds lye Encamped about *Vincennes*, where they are to continue till Munday next in continual Exercise, and from thence to return to *Beauvais*.

Florence, Sept. 1. Upon the *Empresses* arrival at *Finale*, several pretensions have been made for precedency, amongst the rest, the Commissioners of *Malta* pretending place of the *Genouise*; in their passing by *Genouise*; forced one of their Captains to come aboard them, shaying him for not first saluting them, and afterwards obliging him to the formality. The *Genouise* fearing a fresh dispute might arise at *Finale*, sent four Men of War under the Command of *Signori Sauls*, a Gentleman of their Nobility, who, after the landing of the *Empresse*, having saluted her with a Broad-side, called away his Gallies, and immediately fired at the *Malta* Flag; and then standing out to Sea, invited them to a Combat; but the *Maltese* thought not fit to accept it. These Gallies of *Malta* it seems took their place, went to those of *Spain*, whereupon in their return, they kept at a distance from *Genouise* and *Agona*, but the State and the Great Duke might have relented what they could not at the present oppose, being over-powred.

Principe Matthias the Great Dukes Brother, sent a Gentleman to welcome *Dor Ponce de Leon* Governour of *Milan*, to *Finale*; but his Complementation was not returned as he expected, by another Gentleman, the Governour it seems unwilling to give the Prince the Title of *Altezza*.

This Prince *Matthias* coming to complement the *Empresse*, was received at the Port by one of the Captains of the Horse, at the Stair-foot by the Master of the Horse, and on the top of the Stairs by one of the three *Maggior Domo Maggior*, who conducted him into the Chamber of Audience; where the *Empresse* sitting upon two Pillows, raised her self at the Princes entrance, but so little from them, that it was onely discernable she did not sit. After an Audience of three quarters of an hour, the Prince retiring, saluted the Ladies of Honour, who returned his Courtesie, and afterwards the Grandets of *Spain*, and particularly the Duke of *Albuquerque*, by pulling off his Hat.

Middleburg, Sept. 9. The business of *Swat* has caused much division and disturbance, and filled our parts with discourses, the two Pensionaries of *Zeland* and *Holland*, upon a Conference concerning it, could not refrain from expressing their passions in very bitter language; and parted not so good friends as they met. A considerable strength of Horse lies about the *Hague*, but what they design we yet imagin not. The Prince of *Orange* is on his return from *Swat*, the marriage being deferred for a longer time than was intended.

Hague, Sept. 10. The new design of a Quadruple Alliance between the States, *Denmark*, *Brandenburg*, and *Lunenborg*, moves on very slowly; *Brandenburg* requiring before any other preliminaries to be assured of the continuance of his Subsidies, which is not here thought reasonable, he having at present no War on foot, *Denmark* also calls loud for money; otherwise they can set out no Fleet. And *Lunenborg* joyns in the same consort, and pretends to arrears of Subsidies, which probably may be paid him, on condition he will march his Forces out of *East Frisland*, which they have some hopes to bring him to, he having already withdrawn some of his Cavalry; so as in fine, this fourfold Cord will not be well twisted together, unless the States pay more money for the working it, that it will be worth to them.

The *Sieur Isbrandts* writes of his work being near end.