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Vienna, May 6, N. S.

Esterday Morning at Ten of the Clock, the Empress Queen of Hungary and Bohemia was happily delivered of a third Archduke, who was baptized at Six in the Evening by the Pope's Nuncio, in the Chapel at Schonbrun, by the Name of Peter, Leopold, Joseph, John, Anthony, Joachim, Pius, Gothard. The Czarina is Godmother, and Prince Charles of Lorraine affisted at the Ceremony in her Czarian Majesty's Stead.

Head Quarters at Schield, May 16, N.S. We have just received Accounts that Hulst has furrendred, and that the Garrison, which consisted of two Battalions, the Remains of three others, and two Squadrons of Nassau's Dragoons, are all Prisoners of War, except the Gentral himself, his two Aids de Camp, and

400 Men at his Choice.

Hague, May 16, N.S. This Day's Letters from Brussels bring Word, that Marshal Saxe was gone the Thursday before, at Five o'Clock in the Morning, for the Neighbourhood of Hulst, to inspect into the State of Things there; and that upon the Surrender of the Place he returned immediately to Brussels, where Marshal Noailles was arrived, with the Abbé de la Villa, in their Way to Antwerp. These Letters speak of the French King's Arrival as certainly expected, but without fixing any Time. The French Army was still in their Cantoonment. According to an Order of Battle of the French Army, printed at Ghent, it consists of 247 Battalions, and 284 Squadrons, Lowendahl's and Clermont's Corps included. They write from Paris of the 12th, that Count Maurepas had sent private Orders to all the Ports of France, to send up immediately a List of all the Dutch Ships that are actually in them, or shall arrive there for the future. According to these Paris Letters, Genoa was not taken on the 1st Instant. The French were very much hindered in their designed Attack upon Fort St. Marguerite, by the Activity of the British Ships. The Letters received in France from the East Indies make heavy Complaints of the Conduct of M. Bourdonaye, who attacked Madras; and the French General there demands, that he may be brought to Justice. It is said there will be an Account of this Misunderstanding between those two Officers publish'd very soon. Yesterday the Prince of Orange was introduced into the Afsembly of the Province of Holland, and to the States General, where he took the usual Oaths; he afterwards took his Seat in the Council of State, and in all the other Colleges; and upon his Introduction to each Assembly, delivered himself in Terms that have done his Highness very

great Credit. It is not easy to describe the Joy and Satisfaction of every Rank of People, which exceeds all Bounds. A Proposition was made Yesterday in the States General by the Province of Guelderland, for the Republick to take 30,000 Men into their Pay without Loss of Time. The Prince of Orange is to let out for Zealand Tomorrow Evening, where he will probably stay eight or ten Days. His Highness will be attended in this Voyage by M. Bentinck. This Evening Advice came that the States of Zealand have unanimously agreed to do Justice to the Prince, in re-establishing him in the Possesfion of the Marquisates of Flushing and Terveer.

Flushing, May 16, N.S. Upon the 12th we received the News of the Capitulation of Hulst. The Terms were, that General la Roque, with 400 Men, and three Field Pieces, should be at Liberty to march out with military. Honours, but that the rest of the Garrison should remain Prisoners of War; the Inhabitants of the Place to preserve their Properties and Religion. The English Troops under the Command of Lord John Murray, which, upon Sandberg being taken by the French, retreated to Welshoorden, were attacked by a large Body of the Enemy before they could embark, but repulsed them. The three Battalions are now cantoon'd in South Beveland, at a small Distance from each other, and Troops are daily

arriving in that Island.

Flushing, May 18, N.S. Yesterday we had several Reports, that the Town of Axel surrender'd to the French upon the 16th Instant, N. S. and were allowed to march out with the Honours of War, and this Day we have received a Confirmation thereof. Late last Night an Account arrived, that the Enemy had begun to pass, their armed Vessels through the Sluices of Sas Van Ghent; that the Number of them was about 400; that they had a great Body of Troops on board; and that Part of the Vessels were actually passing round the Island of Axel, in order to get out into the Scheld by the Passage called the Hellegat, and other small Canals, as well as by the ordinary Channel from Sas and Biervliet, and that the first Attempt was to be made upon South Beveland. There are at present in this Island a large Body of regular Troops, and about 10000 Militia well armed and in good Spirits; and we are assured that in South Beveland there are 7000 regular Troops (the British Brigade included) and 12000 Militia in Arms. The Prince of Orange is expected this Day at Campveer, where it is supposed he will stay one Night, and be To-morrow at Middleburgh, to take his Oath and Seat in the Assembly of the States. Preparations are making every where for a grand Reception of his Highness. The following is a Translation of a Resolution taken