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Hull, Sept. 15.

A Danish or Norway ship lately came into this Port; the Men *Danes*, laden with Deals, pretending to trade upon the account of a Ruff Merchant here, upon confidence of a Pass to be procured for his free trading; but she is at present seise'd; and good security given in for the behavior of other men.

West Cowes, Sept. 15. The twelfth instant Captain *Christoffer Gunman*, in the *Orange*, brought in two prizes; one a Vessel of 400 Tun laden with French Salt, a new ship, bound (as pretended) for the *Batrick*; the other of 240 Tun from *Crostaick* with Salt, Wine, and Brandy, pretended bound for *Bristol*, though the Master was by his men forced to enter *St. Georges Channel* for fear of Pickaroons. The Master of the former gives this account of *Beaufort*, that at his coming in to *Rochelle* his Men of War were about 30 great and small, of which 17, from 40 to 60 Guns, the rest from 20 to 30. all of them extraordinary foul, leaky and much shattered, and by the French Kings Shipwright judged not to be made tight, having so long used the *Streights*, and much spoiled by Worms. That he was providing to come through the English Channel to conduct 60 French, and six great *Holland* ships laden with Salt for the *Grande Partie*, which have bin two moneths for Convoy.

Dover, Sept. 16. At five the last night our Fleet lying before *St. Valeries*, some of our ships chased two of the enemies on shoare, and blew up another.

This day one of our Fifth Rate Fregats sailed by to the Downs with a prize.

Paris, Sept. 10. The Envoy from *Algier* being suddenly to take his leave, hath been presented with a present of 150 Pistols, his Companion with 100. and his Son with 50, besides his Majesties Picture in a Case set with Diamonds valued at 3000 Crowns, and other things of good value. Mr. *Trudert* who has brought on this Treaty, is dispatcht for *Algier* to take order for the buying of the Slaves that are there.

The Marquess *de Fuentes* has received orders from *Spain* to return and give his assistance in the Council there, and has solicited for his last Audience, whose room here 'tis thought will be supplied by his Son, and that he will not part hence till his arrival.

The *Swisses* stand high in their demands of arrears, to whom the King has sent Monsieur *de Berancon* as his Ambassador (if possible) to put an end to that affair.

The Dutchess of *Parma* being brought to Bed of a young Prince, his Majesty is by Deputy desired to be Godfather.

The King hath lately ordered his Council *des Grands-jours* to *Narbonne*, where several Counsellors in the Parliament of *Thoulouse* are appointed Commissioners in the Court.

The Plague is very hot at *Dunkirk* and *Bergue*, in which last place, the Governor of the Fort *St. Louis* is dead, and the Baron *d Arnieourt* fallen sick.

Monsieur *de Perigny*, formerly President of the Inquests, is made Tutor to the *Dauphin*, with an allowance worth to him 20000 Livres yearly for his life.

Brussels, Sept. 21. The New Fort at *Charleroy* advances very fast; and is designed to be five 100 out of ground, and consequently defensible, by the end of the next month; 3000 Germans are there encamped, to be employed upon the Trenches, and many Propositions have been already made for building in it, the people foreseeing its growth, as well as strength, from the commodiousness of its situation.

Hamburgh, September 8. The *Swedes* Forces daily increase, and more expected from *Pomeran*, 10000 Foot are lately marched from *Stoadt* to the Field-Here, and a Regiment of 1500. left behind there. The 5th instant the *Bremers* made a sally upon the *Swedes*, in which many were killed and wounded on both sides; and on the 6th another, but with what success our Letters tell us not. All the wood round the Town is cut down and distributed amongst the common people; and the ground about is made plain, to prevent the *Swedes* from sheltering themselves near it.

The English upon the *Elve* endeavor their revenge on the Dutch, and with two sloops, after the taking of one Dutch ship, set upon 2 others of their *Greenland* Vessels, but found them too strongly man'd with people, which they had taken up in this City, the Magistrates prohibiting an English ship from going to their assistance.

Vienna, Sept. 5. Yesterday arrived here *Montecuculi*, bringing him an account of the Empress her Voyage, and arrival at *Finale*, and that on the 20 instant she intends to begin her journey from *Milan*, which in probability may require 50 days before her arrival here, against which time great preparations are made for *Opera*, Tilings, Fireworks, Comedies, and all imaginary recreations; no cost being spared for Embroideries and rich Coaches, which are already sent from *Paris*, and all hands being set on work in order to her reception.

Majence, Sept. 10. The Soldiers of the Palatinate plundered lately two Villages, *Gaubischeim*, and *Gaubshcim*, both of them belonging to the Archbishoprick. But in the mean while the *Lorrainers* have made themselves Master of *Billigheim*, not far from *Neustadt*, where they killed 400 of the Palatines men.

The Ambassadors of *France* and *Sweden* are on their way for the composition of all differences; which if the War continue, will suddenly ruine all these Countys, the *Lorrainers* especially making great spoils where they come.

Rome, Sept. 4. Cardinal *Chisy* taking notice of the complaints of the *Spaniards* against him, for not executing his intended Legation to *Milan*, has committed his Apology to writing, and sent it to all the Cardinals and secular Princes, to satisfy them of the Reasons he had to wave that Legation during the Popes weakness.

Some heats have lately risen between the Cardinal *de Retz*, and the French Ambassador; the Cardinal having received the French Kings permission for his return into *France*, did not (it seems) as we expected, communicate it to the Duke *de Chaulins*: His Eminence having made his accustomed Visits in order to his Journey, and received his Dispatch, being in conference with the Ambassador, told him, That notwithstanding his readiness to depart, he was still willing to continue at *Rome*, if the service of their King should require his presence in the Conclave. To which the Ambassador sharply replied, That since he had so unseasonably made his Visit, he might part thence when he pleased; but the King had as little for him to do in *France*, as at *Rome*; after which they parted with much anger; but the Cardinals of that Faction are endeavouring to reconcile them.

Several Matches are here of late proposed. One between the Daughter of the late Prince *Pamphili*, with the Duke of *Parma*.

Another between the Duke *Sforza* son to *Don Paolo* Cardinal *Sforza*'s brother, and the Daughter and Heiress of the Duke *Cesarin*.

A third is discoursed of between the inheritrix of the house of *Altieri*, and young *Zanzedari* Grandchild to *Don Mario*.

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Genoa.