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Rome, May 12.

A Courier is passed through this place in great diligence for *Sicily*, who as we are informed, carries Orders to the Prince *de Ligne*, Viceroy of that Kingdom, forthwith to begin his journey for *Milan*, and to leave that Government *pro interim* in the hands of the Archbishop of *Palermo*. The Pope is very much displeas'd with the Republick of *Genoua*, because of the dispute between the Duke and the Archbishop; which latter is positively commanded to leave *Genoua*, and come hither.

Dantzick, May 16. The last Letters from *Warsaw* dated the eleventh instant tell us, That the Bishop of *Marseilles*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the most Christian King, had had Audience of the Diet, to whom he recommended in the name of the King his Master, the Duke of *Newburgh*. That the Elector of *Brandenburghs*, and Prince of *Lorraines* Ambassadors, had not then had Audience, nor were those from *Denmark* and *Sweden* arrived, though daily expected; and that the limited time of three weeks for the Session of the Diet being expired, it was resolv'd, That it should be continued eight days longer. The Inhabitants of *Königsberg* having obstinately refus'd to pay some contributions which his Electoral Highness of *Brandenburgh* had commanded to be levied, with threats to such as should go about to collect the same. The ninth instant, early in the Morning, Major General *Girtzby* presented himself, by the Electors command, with 6000 Men before the Town, which he presently entred, and took possession of the several Gates, and hath since quartered his Soldiers up and down the Town, expecting in the mean time, his Electoral Highness farther directions. We have Letters dated the thirtieth of *March* from *Mosco*, which say, That the Ambassadors of *Sweden* had had their Audience the day before, and that day began their first Conference, which, it seems, concern'd only Commerce: That they had news there, that the Czars Forces had now possess'd themselves of the whole *Ukraine*; that the *Cossacks* had deliver'd up *Dorosensko*, together with his Brother, and other Officers, who with other prisoners, were daily expected at *Mosco*.

Copenhagen, May 16. The thirteenth instant the Heer Van *Weikendam*, Ambassador from the States General of the *United Provinces* parted hence on his return home by the way of *Hamburg*. His Majesty will very suddenly have an Army of 15000 Men together; the Rendezvous is appointed to be near this place, and in the interim, the conjectures are very various and uncertain concerning his Majesties designs. The Ice continues as yet very thick in the *Sound*, that the Ships are not able to pass. It is said, that the Princes of *Lunenburg* have concluded a Treaty of Alliance with the States General of the *United Provinces*.

Strasbourg, May 21. From *Rhinfelden* we have advice, That the Duke of *Lorraine* had commanded 2000 Horse to pass the *Rhine* there, to go and discover the

posture of the French Troops who lay on the other side, not far from *Basse*, under the command of Monsieur *de Turenne*; which they accordingly did, and had the good fortune to surprize two Regiments of French Foot, whom they attacked, and, as is said, killed 300 upon the place; that done, the *Lorraine* Horse repass'd the *Rhine* again, and returned to their Camp. The Assembly of the Thirteen Cantons is broken up, they having resolv'd to remain Neuters, during the present War, and by connivance to permit as well the passage of the Spanish as French Troops into the *France Comte*. The said Cantons have written to his most Christian Majesty to pray him, That he would not employ the *Swissers* that are in his service, without the Kingdom, according to the practice of former times. From *Benson* our Letters of the 17 instant, say, That the day before that City was surrendred to the French; the conditions were, that the Inhabitants should continue to enjoy all their Priviledges; that they should bring all their Arm to the Town-House, to be restor'd to them when it should please his Majesty; that the Garrison should be prisoners at War, till the King had conquer'd the whole Province; and that such of the Nobility as were in the place, might return to their several homes, after having taken an Oath of Fidelity to his Majesty. The Elector *Palatine* has caus'd all the Boats and Goods belonging to the City of *Spire*, to be stopp'd at *Manheim*, because, contrary to their Obligation, they have furnish'd the French at *Philipsbourg* with provisions, and other necessaries.

Cologne, May 25. According to our Letters from *Francfort*, the Count *de Souches* arriv'd there the twenty one instant, from whence he parted the next day, and yesterday arriv'd at *Bon*; he will make no stay there, but proceed to the Imperial Army, which is now encamp'd between *Limburgh* and *Verriers*. The 19 instant, the Troops of the Bishop of *Munster*, being between 6 and 7000 Men, which according to the late Treaty with the Emperor, the Bishop is to joyn with his Army, began to march; and an Imperial Commissary is pass'd through this place towards *Westphalia*, to go and receive the said Troops. The 23 instant, eight Companies of Foot pass'd the *Rhine* at *Zindorf*, a league from hence; and this day the Troops that were in Garrison at *Duyt*, pass'd the *Rhine* likewise, and are march'd towards the Imperial Army.

Hague, May 29. This day according to our advices from *Maines*, the Prince of *Orange* intend'd to break up from thence with his Army, and to remove nearer *Louvain*. The Heer *Swerin* is pass'd through this place on his way for *England*, whither he goes in quality of Envoy Extraordinary from the Elector of *Brandenburgh*. Last night arriv'd here the Prince of *Nassau*, Stadtholder of *Friesland*, with intention to go to our Army. The Pensionary *Fagel* is return'd from *Zeland*.

Brussels, May 29. Since the taking of *Navaigne*, we have this account from *Liege*, That there was but one man kill'd within the Fort, and but thirty of the Enemy: The Prince of *Conde* having joyn'd his Army with

with what commanded by the Mareſchal de Belſonds, and given orders, as is ſaid, for the demolishing of *Navigre*, is on his march back towards *Flanders*: On Friday laſt he encamped, having now with him near 38000 Men, between *Tongres* and *Liège*; and the next day the Van of his Army arrived at *Petrus*, not far from *Gembloers*. On Sunday night we received Letters from the Duke of *Bournoville*, dated in his Camp betwixt *Limburgh* and *Verviers*, giving an account, that ſome of the Imperial Recruits were come up to him; that the *Munſter* Troops marched with all diligence to joyn him; and that the twenty fourth inſtant, General *Souches* was expected at *Bon*, from whence he would haſten to the Army; upon whoſe arrival, the Duke of *Bournoville* will leave it, and go and command the Imperial Troops in the *Palatiné*; in the mean time, the ſaid Duke marches this way with the Imperial Army, the Vanguard whereof arrived the laſt night near *Namur*: Yeſterday the Prince of *Orange* changed his Quarters, and advanced from *Malines* nearer *Louvain*, having fourteen or fifteen freſh Villages aſſigned for the quartering of his Army, their former Quarters being eaten up: It is hoped, that now within few days his Highneſs will be ready to march, which will be ſo ſoon as the *Frieſland* Troops come up, and his train of Artillery conſiſting of 36 pieces of Cannon, is in a poſture, which were on Sunday laſt diſimbarcked at *Malines*.

Ditto, May 29. The Duke of *Villa Hermſa* has been ſome days in the Field with 4000 Horſe and Dragoon, between this place and *Vilvoerden*, the reſt of our Forces are likewiſe on their march from ſeveral parts, and within a day or two, we hope, may be together in a Body. Part of our Artillery, being 12 Field pieces, and near 100 Waggons with Ammunition are drawn up in the Park here, ready to march at an hours warning. It is ſaid, that our particular Army will be about 18000 Men, of which 7000 Horſe, 1500 Dragoons, and 10000 Foot; that the Prince of *Oranges* Army will be 35000 Men effective, and the Imperial Army no leſs. Laſt night we had news from the Prince of *Condé*'s Camp, which was on Sunday between *Perwys* and *Gembloers*; that that day the Cannon was diſcharged ſeveral times, and as many volleys of ſmall ſhot given throughout the whole Army; which this morning we underſtand to have been upon their receiving advice of the Surrender of the Cittadel of *Befançon*. This news ſurpriſes us very much, for now we muſt give that whole County for loſt: Our Letters however ſay, That the beſieged defended themſelves bravely, and held out to the laſt, which appears by their capitulation; for had they not ſtood out ſo long, they might have certainly obtained better conditions, then they were at laſt forced to make; to march out without Arms, or any thing elſe but their Cloaths. We hear, that the moſt Chriſtian King is with the Body of his Army upon his march this way, having left a ſufficient force behind to reduce the reſt of the Caſtles and Forts in that Countrey, which in probability will make no great reſiſtance, ſeeing they have not any hopes of relief.

Marſailles, May 22. The nineteenth inſtant ſailed from hence 24 Gallies for *Thoulon*, where they have orders to expect the return of *Monſieur de Vivonne* with the Squadron of Men of War under his command, who ſome time ſince ſailed to the *Streights* Mouth; what deſign they will then go upon, we are as yet ignorant of. The Spaniards are bringing their Forces together in *Catalonia*, and will, as we are aſſured, have ſuddenly an Army of 20000 Men in the Field. A Bark arrived from *Tangier*, informs us of the continued

good intelligence between the Engliſh and thoſe people.

Paris, May 30. There is now not any room left to doubt of the Surrender of the Cittadel of *Eſjançon*, His Majesty having, as we formerly told you, made himſelf Maſter of the two Towns, immediately gave orders for the preparing all things in order to the attacking the Cittadel; in which, the Enemy thought themſelves the more ſecure, becauſe of its ſtrong ſituation; for as for the Hills which ſtand near the place, they being Rocky, the beſieged thought it would prove a very hard matter for our Men to get any Cannon up thither; but they found themſelves deceived; for his Majesty had in a ſhort time, cauſed ſeveral Batteries to be raiſed upon thoſe Hills, from whence, we fired ſo violently upon the beſieged; that they were not able to abide in their Outworks; by which means, our Troops made themſelves with greater eaſe Maſters of them, then they would otherwiſe have done; however, the beſieged under the command of the Prince of *Vaudemont*, defended themſelves very well; but finding themſelves reduced to the laſt extremity, our Men having gained a Counterſcarp, and no ſuccors to be expected, the three and twentieth they ſurrendered the Caſtle, not having been able to obtain other conditions, then that they ſhould march out, free from plunder, they obliging themſelves to return to their ſeveral Native Countreys; as for the Prince of *Vaudemont*, in an Article apart, the King gave him liberty to go whither he would. This night will arrive here the Biſhop of *Siraſburgh*; the Duke of *Enguien* is gone to joyn with the Prince of *Condé* his Father in *Flanders*. It is ſaid here, that the Mareſchal de *Belſonds* will retire. The King has been pleaſed to command, that ſeveral Impoſitions which were found very grievous to the People, ſhould be taken off, and eſpecially that on Paper in general. The Prince of *Vaudemont* is arrived here, and goes for *Flanders*.

Rye, May 19. This day the Dutch Fleet came into our Bay, they were plying to Windward, the Wind at S. W.

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THEſe are to give notice, That there goes a Poſt conſtantly (every night) from the General Poſt-Office in *Biſhops-gate-ſtreet*, to *Windſor*; and another arrives there every Morning from thence: And that care will be taken for the ſafe and ſpeedy conveyance of all Letters, which are either delivered in at the General Poſt-Office, or left at the uſual places appointed to receive them.

LOſt out of the Grounds of *Mr. William Geddard* at *East Wootton* in the County of *Southampton*, within five miles of *Newbery*, two Horſes, one of them a Gray Nag with one Wall Eye, and a ſpot of a Strawberry colour on his far Hip; the other of a Cheſnut colour of about twelve hands high, with a whitish mane and Tail, and a ſlit in one of his Ears. Whoſoever ſhall give notice of them, either at the *Sword and Buckler* in *Holburne*, or the *Globe* in *Newbery*, ſhall be well rewarded for their pains.

Stolen May 21. from *Heſſenem* in *Norhamptonſhire*, two Mares about fourteen hands high; one a light cheſnut with a Grizzled blaze in the Face, clipped on the Heels, and one Heel behind a little white, ſaddle kruifed, and pinched on the withers. The other two years old, a Star on the Forehead, a Snip on the Noſe, and one white Heel behind; who can bring notice to *Mr. Brown* a Plumber in *Warwickſhire*, or *Mr. Clifton* at *Heſſenem*, ſhall be well rewarded. A white Mare very ſae but old, and broken minded, 15 hands high, ſhort Docked, was ſtole from *Mr. Warren*'s Ground at *Haſtley*, the twentieth inſtant; who ſoever ſhall give notice to *Mr. Stevens* at the *Spred-Eagle* in *Grace-Church-ſtreet*, ſhall be well rewarded.