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Madrid, May 23.

ON Monday last, their Majesties returned hither from *Aranjuez*, extremely satisfied with the divertisements of that place. From *Cadiz* we have advice, that Captain *Rooth*, with the other Frigates that had been in Port there, were sailed Eastward. From *Tangier* we have Letters which say, That they were there in daily expectation to receive the Ratification of the Articles concluded with the Emperor *Muli Ismael*; who hath been lately forced to go into the Field with all the force he could get together, for that another appears at the head of a great Army, who claims the Crown; and to whom several Provinces have already submitted themselves.

Dantzick, May 23. Yesterday arrived an Extraordinary Courier from *Warsaw*, who brought us this account, That there had for several days been a long and sharp contest in the Diet, between the *Poles*, and the Nobility of *Lithuania*, the former proposing the General *Sobietki*, as a person eminently deserving of the Republick by the continued services he had rendered it, and particularly for the victory obtained the last Summer over the Turks at *Cothim*; which next to the Divine Assistance, they solely attribute to his great courage and conduct; and that at present being engaged in a War, with so powerful an Enemy, they thought they could not make choice of any one, whose skill and experience in Military Matters, and his other great abilities could render him more meriting the Crown, than the said General *Sobietki*; adding, That a Foreign choice, would engage them in Foreign Interests, which would perhaps be more regarded than the welfare of the Crown; the *Lithuaners* on the other side opposed the general resolution of the Nobility of that Duchy, not to admit of a *Piasli* (that is a Native either of *Poland* or *Lithuania*) for that they had found the ill consequences of it, during the late Kings Reign; that therefore they ought to chuse a Foreigner, and such a Prince, who, besides his own endowments, which ought to render him deserving of the Crown, could be a fit Husband for the Queen Dowager, and who was assisted by some powerful Neighbor, the better to enable the Republick to carry on the present War against the Turks; and lastly, that they knew none fitter to be their King, than the Prince of *Lorraine*. Some there were, who nominated the Duke of *Newburgh*, but after long contentts General *Sobietkies* party prevailed, and by plurality of voices he was elected King, though not altogether to the satisfaction of the *Lithuaners*: But our next Letters will inform us farther.

Ditto, May 26. Yesterday by an Expreß from *Warsaw*, our Senate received the confirmation, That on the one and twentieth instant, *Johannes Sobietki*, late General of the Crown, had been elected King by the unanimous votes of all the Nobility assembled in the Diet, and with the great applause of all people in that Kingdom; and that accordingly the Bishop of *Cracow*, in the absence of the Archbishop of *Gnesna*, had with the

usual solemnity declared him King. However, some Letters add, That the Nobility of *Lithuania* were not altogether satisfied. Our Letters from *Mosco* tell us, That the Swedish Ambassadors there, had proposed a perpetual Peace and Alliance, between the Czar and their King, which it was thought would be readily accepted by the *Moscovites*. Some Letters likewise speak of Propositions that have been made for a marriage between the young King, and the Czars Daughter. We have this morning advice, That the Archbishop of *Gnesna* being dead or dying, the new King had advanced the Bishop of *Cum*, Vice-Chancellor of the Crown, to that See.

Strasbourg, May 28. From *Basse* our Letters of the 26 instant tell us, That the day before the Duke of *Lorraine* parted with the rest of his Troops from his Quarters near *Rhinfelden*, the Vanguard having several days before begun to march; they take their way towards the *Palatinate*, to joyn with the Imperial Troops, that are now there. The 26 Monsieur de *Turenne* decamped from *Basse*, and marched towards *Saverne*, where he will form an Army, expecting, to that end, several Troops to be sent him by his Majesty out of *Burgundy*.

Cologne, June 1. The last night the Count *Souci*, General of the Imperial Army, came from *Munster Eysfelt*, from *Bon*; where, it is said, he will continue till the Imperial Army arrives, which is expected to march from *Limburch* thither. It is said, that the Imperial Troops in the *Palatinate*, are marched to besiege *Phillipsburgh*.

Hague, June 1. The Prince of *Nassau*, Stadtholder of *Frisland*, is gone hence to the Prince of *Oranges* Camp, which is as yet at *Duffel*, near *Nalines*. It was thought his Highness would have marched ere this, but it seems he stays till the Count de *Monteroy* is likewise ready to take the Field. The States General have lately published a Placet, by which they prohibite all their Subjects on pain of death, to furnish any Provisions or other Necessaries to the Garrison or Inhabitants of *Grave*. Monsieur *Rabenhaup* is arrived here, and in a day or two goes for *Nimwegen* to command there. We have advice from *Liege*, that the Imperial Army is marched towards the Electorate of *Treves*; that so they may draw the French that way, and free *Flanders*.

Paris, June 2. The City of *Dole* in *Burgundy* makes greater resistance then was expected; our last Letters from the Kings Camp told us, That the besieged had very stoutly defended themselves, but that our Troops were advanced so far, that they expected every minute the besieged would send out to desire a Parley. The King has sent Monsieur de *Lovigny*, Son to the Duke de *Gramont*, to *Bayonne*, to take care of the security of that place, if the Dutch or Spaniards should attempt any thing upon it. Our Letters from *Rouffillon* tell us of a Rencontre between the Sieur *le Bret*, and the Duke de *St German*, who commands the Spanish Forces in *Catalonia*; in which, the latter is said to have had some advantage, though, we doubt not, but the Duke of *Scomberg*, who is appointed by his Majesty

to be General of his Forces in *Rouffillon*, when arrived there, and joyned the Troops he carries with him, with those already there under the conduct of the *Sieur le Bret*, will be able to repair this loss.

Brussels, June 3. The Duke of *Holstein* having been abroad with his Regiment, returned hither on Sunday last, bringing with him about thirty French prisoners, and 120 Horses, belonging to Carriages and Baggage, which were taken about 3 leagues from *Charleroy*. The same night another party of fifty Horses, went out from hence, but they had the ill fortune to be met by 500 French, by whom they were all killed or taken prisoners: At the same time the French pillaged and burnt the Village of *Borche*, three leagues from hence. On Sunday arrived here, an Express from *Burgundy* with Letters from the Governor of that Province, to his Excellency, the news they brought is kept private, which makes us fear it is not very good. The Prince of *Vaudemont* expects daily a Commission from *Spain*, to be General of the Strangers in the Service of these Countreys, and to command all our Cavalry as Lieutenant General under the Duke of *Villa Hermosa*, who, it is said, will not go into the Field. The Imperial Army is, we hear, marching back from *Limburgh* towards *Treves*, to besiege that place, and the Imperial Troops in the *Palatinate*, joyned with those of the Elector *Palatine* have besieged *Philippbourg*. His Excellency, as we are told, has sent a considerable sum of Money into *Germany*, for the finishing the Levies that are making there for the service of these Provinces. The three Regiments that were raised in the Emperors Hereditary Countreys by the Spanish Ambassador, are suddenly expected there. Last night his Excellency accompanied with *Monsieur de Lovigny* went hence to confer with the Prince of *Orange* in his Camp at *Duffel*, and about two a clock this morning returned hither again. This day several of our Train Horses are gone to *Mannes*, to fetch some great pieces of Cannon, remaining in the Arsenal there, which makes it thought, that our Armies will now in few days begin to march. The Prince of *Conde* continues, in the mean time, encamped with his Army near *Charleroy*. This day it is reported, that his Excellency has received Letters, giving an account, that the Duke of *St. German* who commands the Spanish Forces in *Catalonia*, has obtained a considerable advantage over the French; of which, we expect a confirmation.

Rye, May 26. Yesterday Lieutenant Admiral *Van Trump*, who had been out at Sea with his Squadron, which by estimation consisted of 35 Sail, came into our Bay, and joyned with the rest of the Fleet who was cruising there: This morning the whole Fleet sailed to the Westward, the Wind at East.

Fortsmouth, May 28. This Evening we receive advice, that the Dutch Fleet is at Ankor behind the Isle of *Wight*.

Whitehal, May 29. His Majesty having been pleased to appoint, that during His Residence at *Windsor*, His Privy Council should meet every Wednesday at *Hamp-ton Court*, and on Wednesday last, they being accordingly met there, His Majesty was graciously pleased to make the Right Honorable *Robert*, Earl of *Sunderland*, of his said Privy Council, who after having taken the usual Oaths, took his place at the Board accordingly.

Windsor, May 30. On Thursday, being the Eve of the Celebration of *S. Georges* Feast, appointed to be kept this year the 29 instant, the day of His Majesties Birth, and ever happy Restauration. His Majesty, as Sovereign of the most Noble Order of the Garter, accompanied with his Royal Highness, his Highness

Prince *Rupert*, the Duke of *Ormond*, the Earl of *Oxford*, the Duke of *Monmouth*, the Duke of *Albemarle*, the Duke of *Lauderdaill*, the Marquess of *Worcester*, the Earl of *S. Albans*, the Earl of *Bedford*, the Earl of *Arlyngton*, the Earl of *Osory*, and the Earl of *Southampton*, Knights Companions of the Order, all of them in their habits, proceeded about three in the Afternoon, from the Presence Chamber to the Chapter-House, preceded by the Poor Knights, the Prebends and the Officers of Arms, and from thence to the Chappel, where before Divine Service begun, the Earl of *Mulgrave* (who at a Chapter held at *Whitehal* the 23 of the last Month was elected into that most Noble Order) being introduced between the Earls of *Arlington* and *Osory*; after having taken the usual Oath, was invested and placed in his Stall. Divine Service ended, the Sovereign and Companions returned in the same order to the Presence Chamber, where they reposed themselves till Supper, which was prepared in a most noble manner in *S. Georges* Hall. The next day, the Sovereign and Companions in the same manner as the day before, proceeded to the Chappel; the second Lesson being read, they descend from their Stalls, and go in Procession, which done with the usual solemnity, they returned to the Chappel, where having offered, and Divine Service ended, they returned to the Presence, and from thence went to *S. Georges* Hall to dinner, which was very splendid and magnificent in all the circumstances of it. In the Evening, the Sovereign and Companions proceeded again to the Chappel, in the same order as the Eve before. This Morning the Sovereign and Companions proceeded again to the Chappel, where the Sovereign having taken his Stall, before the Companions ascended to theirs, the Achievements of *Coutur Martin*, Knight of the Order, deceased were offered, viz. The Banner by his Royal Highness and Prince *Rupert*, the Sword by the Duke of *Ormond* and the Earl of *Oxford*, and the Helm and Crest by the Duke of *Monmouth* and the Duke of *Albemarle*, then the Sovereign and Companions having offered as the day before, returned to the Chapter-House, put off their Mantles, which is the peculiar habit of that day, and so this great solemnity ended.

Advertisements.

Icones & Descriptiones Rariorum Plantarum Siciliae, Melitae, Galliae, & Italicae, nonum Exhibitis; Authore *Leoluco Ioccone* Panormitano Siculo, in quarto.

Pharmaceutice Rationalis, sive diatriba de Medicamentorum Operationibus in Humano Corpore; Authore *Tho. Wilkin* M. D. in duodecimo. Both sold by *Kilmer* Senr, at the *Princes Arms* in *Little Britain*.

These are to give notice, That there goes a Post constantly (very night) from the General Post-Office in *Bishopsgate-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.

Josiah Bander, a Negroe, Servant to Captain *John Huxst*, run away from his Master at *London*, the 23 instant; a tall slender youth, about 37 or 38 years of age, a little disfigured with the Small Pox; in a Blue Livery Coat and Breeches, edged with white, Blue Stockings, with a Gold Wier in his right Ear. If any person give notice of him to his Master, at his House in *Marlbone*, or to Mr. *Nicholas Fry* Merchant, at *Thimorish*, they shall be rewarded for their pains.

John, May 20. out of the Grounds of *Henry Birchmore*, Yeoman, in the Parish of *St. Andrew*, in the County of *Hertford*, two miles from *Waford*. A light brown Dog about fourteen hands high, fringed on both sides of the riss. Whosoever can bring notice to *Henry Birchmore* aforesaid, or to *William Birchmore*, Ironmorgens, at the *Cross-Keys* without *Dongate*, shall be very well rewarded.