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Falmouth, Sept. 26.

**T**His day arrived here an *Hamburgher* of about sixty Tuns laden with Salt from the Isle of *Oleron*, bound for *Plymouth*. In her way she met with three French Pickaroons, and an English Privateer, but received no injury, but onely in her Rudder by foul weather.

*Royal Charles*, Sept. 30. On the 23 instant, the Fleet put to Sea from *St. Helens Road*, the wind continuing fair and favorable until the 25. when at S. and S. W. it blew a fresh gale; That morning, by break of day, the Merchants that were with us were sent into the *Dumps*, the Fleet standing to the *South-sands* head, where speaking with five *Offenders* bound with Balast for *Bourdeaux*, we stood away on the back of the *Goodwins*, and then having the N. *Foreland* N. W. and by W. some three Leagues off, we discovered the *Dutch* bearing E. N. E. and N. E. and by E. off us, it being then about Three in the Afternoon, and the weather proving very stormy, the whole Fleet was forced to Tack to the Westward, and at Five came to an Anchor about six Leagues off from the *Foreland*; where, notwithstanding the great winds, our Fleet was kept very entire, and without damage, all the time of the storm: what fortune the Enemies run, we yet know not; but our Seamen are confident, that they could not but be much torn, lying in the way of more mountainous Seas, and where the wind had much more force upon them.

Yesterday, God be praised, all the Fleet arrived safe, and Anchored between the *Sunk-head*, and the *Buoy* of the *Gunfleet*.

*Rome*, Sept. 16. The Pope continues still in a languishing condition, the change of the season contrary to the hopes of all his Physicians and Relations, not at all producing that good effect which was expected, his stomach is grown very weak, his digestion ill, his rest is very little, his complexion changed from black, pale and wan, and his whole body so lean, that he has only skin left to cover his bones, which weak condition of his, advances much the Negotiations of the Cardinals, especially those of that Squadron, who in all probability are like to have the greatest Interest in the next Election: His Holiness is not now so desirous to change the site, for that of *Frescati*, or *Castel Gandolfo*, as formerly, his Physicians and Kindred having (it seems) dissuaded him from those thoughts.

The Death of the Cardinal *Colonna* has been no small loss to the *Spanish* party. 'Tis confidently said, that the protection of the affaires of the Empire will be conferred on the Cardinal *Landgrave de Hesse* by the Emperor, and the office of Arch Priest of *St. Jean de Lateran*, likewise vacant by his death, is by his Holiness granted to Cardinal *Chigi*.

The Cardinal *de Retz* is this night leaving this City to return for *France*, not without incurring the censure of his friends, as well as others, who apprehended the present state of this Court might reasonably have obliged him to a longer stay.

*Warsaw*, Sept. 17. The Commissioners employed from this Crown to Treat with the *Muscovites*, not satisfied with the offers made them, have declared that his Majesty and Republique were not content with the Resignation only of *Witepsk* and *Polosk*, upon which a Cessation of armes was offered to be concluded; which Declaration, the *Muscovites* Commissioners dispatched away to the *Czar* their Master, who returned in answer to it, that he was resolved not to make them any farther proffers, neither could the

necessity of his affaires oblige him beyond his former offers withall expostulating that the *Cossacks* and *Tartars* were not (as was expected) kept within their limits, but suffer'd to make Incursions up to *Nizyne*. However the Commissions are not recalled, but the Treaty still continued: the *Muscovites* finding the necessity at least of a Truce, considering the present posture of their affaires, their Forces being divided part of them against the *Galmichisi Tartars*, part against the *Rebel Cossacks* on the other side the *Duipie*, and a third against the *Swedes*; and on the other hand our Commissioners being likewise not unwilling to continue the Treaty, till our Army can be in a posture fit to attend the issue of it, if there be occasion.

*Vienna*, Sept. 18. The Interpreter from *Offen* assures us, that the New *Bassa* of that place, is not only desirous to preserve the Peace with the Roman Empire, but will earnestly endeavor to prevent all future violences that might any way violate it upon the Frontiers, and has to that end made a severe prohibition of any incursions upon the *Christian Territories*, having inflicted exemplary punishments upon those that have been found guilty of those disorders, adding that the Prince of *Siebenburgh*, *Abassy*, had gathered together a great body of *Turks* and *Siebenburgers*, with intention to have fallen into *Ukrania*, but the Peace concluded with the *Poles*, has put a stop to that design.

From *Constantinople* we are informed that the Emperor continues still his residence at *Adrianople*, where he diversifies himself with hunting, in which he takes much pleasure, but the Citizens of *Constantinople* earnestly Petition his return to them, that by his presence some good end may be put to the Tumult which grow every day higher in that City, by reason of some differences risen between the Citizens and Soldiers.

*Eisenur*, Sept. 18. Of the seven men of War which went Convoy as far as the *Schagen*, with the 50 Merchants for *Holland*, four of them about four daies since are returned, and this morning making sail for *Copenhagen*, the other three which were *Dutch*, proceed for *Holland*.

On Saturday last the Prince of *Saxe* entered privately into *Copenhagen*, with onely one Gentleman attending him, leaving all his Train behind him, which are to follow, frustrating all those great preparations made for his publique Reception. The next week is intended for the Celebration of the Nuptial Feast.

*Genoa*, Sept. 20. The Empress arrived the 11 instant at *Milan incognito*, followed by 52 Coaches with six horses, entering the City by night, an infinite number of Torches of White wax, being set up in the windows in all the streets by which she passed, besides those that were born by the Pages and Laqueys of all those persons of quality that attended her; she alighted at the Church of *Santa Maria*, and after the *Te Deum*, went thence to the Duke's Palace, from whence she intends not to stir till her publique entry.

In her passage from *Aquy*, being obliged to touch upon the *Monterrat* belonging to the Duke of *Savoy*, she was immediately by order of that Prince attended by six hundred horse excellently equipped, to the great admiration and surprisal of all that company.

*Hamburgh*, Sept. 22. The two *Dutch* men of War that have since the Spring continued before *Gluckstadt*, are now returned home, leaving one of their Prizes behind them in the hands of the *Swedes*, which now lies before the *Swing*.

It is much discoursed in these parts, that much force is moving for the relief of *Bremen*. The *Swedes* Troops expected from *Pomeran* with their Artillery, are not arrived, if the

Treaty take effect between the Swedes and Muscovites, which 'tis said is as good as concluded, the Swedes Forces in Lief-land ( 'tis thought ) will be commanded into Germany, to make some diversions of those Troops designed against him in these parts.

*Legorn, Sept. 10.* On the 16 instant, arrived here a Ship with a small Barque from Tunis, advising us, That the French Ship employed from France with monies for the redemption of the French Captives, at her departure from thence, fell upon an English Vessel called the *Tunizine*, under the command of Captain *Chaplain*, which she pillaged; but upon complaint, it was so ill resented by the *Dei*, that he immediately caused the French Consul to make ample satisfaction to the English Captain for the damages received, commanding him to send a Letter to the French King his Master, to acquaint him with the whole business, telling him, That if he refused not the Captain to be Executed for the Fact committed, he should account the Articles of Peace between them to be Nullified.

Yesterday, the *S. Louis*, a great French Ship, went off from hence for *Smyrna*. Also three *Genouefe* Gallies past by for *Naples* to take in Souldiers and Provisions, and to Transport them for *Spain*. The *Saint John Baptist*, a Dutch Vessel of 28 Guns, is arrived here from *Villa Franca* to seek Employment.

*Venice, Sept. 24.* Our last Letters from *Zante* inform us, That those people are in great apprehensions of the Turks, who are gotten together in a Body of 30000. and, as is given out, intend to attempt that Island; upon which news, our Captain General has dispatched away two Squadrons of his Fleet for their assistance: one of them is already arrived at the Island, the other standing off, reserving themselves to give Succor to any place that may require assistance. The 3. Gallies belonging to the Island are also fitted and armed out, and lye ready expecting the Enemy. Notwithstanding all this preparation for Defence, several considering persons believe not that any Design is on foot against that Island, the Turks not having at Sea above 36 Gallies, which is not a number sufficient for the Transportation of so considerable an Army.

*Majence, Octob. 4.* Notwithstanding the Acts of Hostility that pass on both sides, we doe not despair of a happy issue, by the Interposition or Arbitration of those Princes concerned in the Compromise. We have lately received Letters of Inhibition from the Imperiall Court, that no farther acts of Hostility may pass, till the business in Dispute be first debated by the Arbitrators. We are likewise informed that the Forces expected by the Elector Palatine from *Newburg*, *Luxemburg*, and *Brunswick* are since remanded; but the Countreies on both sides are still pillaged and destroyed.

Yesterday, about the Evening, a party of the *Lorrainers* passed the River near the City of *Bingen*, where they plundered a Village or two, taking a *Calvinist* Minister and his Wife prisoners; but afterwards stripping them both naked, let them go again.

Some few dayes since, a party of *Lorrainers* marched into the Countrey as far as *Heydelberg*; but were so well received by some of the *Palatine* Forces, that many of them were killed upon the place, a good number of them brought prisoners into *Heydelberg*, the small remainder of them saving themselves by a speedy flight.

*Paris, Sept. 6.* The Lieutenants of the *Bourbon* and *Mazarine* are arrived at Court with this account from the Fleet, That the English, after a long pursuit after the Fleet, commanded by Monsieur *de Beaufort*, met with three of our great ships in the Rear, that were not able to keep up with the Galls of our Fleet, who were immediately encompassed by the White Squadron, two of them, viz. The *Bourbon* and *Mazarine*, with some difficulty got away, and saved themselves in *Houere de Grace*, but the *Ruby* being left behind, we know not yet what fate she met with.

Since that 'tis said his Majesty has received news of the arrival of the Fleet at *Brest*. A Barque of *S. Maies* advises, that she met with the *Vendosme* and three other ships that were making for *Brest*, endeavoring (if possible) to joyn the rest of the Fleet, from which they were separated by storm,

and are not returned without damage.

The King having a desire to pass some time at *St Germain*, has sent one of his Physicians before; to inform him of the health of the place: If the Small Pox be in the Town, 'tis believed the Court will not part from *Vincennes*, till they remove again to reside at *Paris*.

*Hague, Octob. 3.* This day at noon we received Letters brought by a Pink, arrived at *Scheveling* from the Fleet, telling us, that they were at the date of those Letters *Octob. 1.* between *Dunkirk* and the Downs, and had sent out six or seven ships to cruise, and bring them intelligence. That *de Ruyters* distemper continuing very high upon him, has rendered him unable any longer to endure the Sea, and forced him to leave the Fleet. They tell us also, that Vice Admiral *Enne Doodefs* and Admiral *Bankert*, who have likewise been very ill at Sea, are in a fair way of recovery.

Yesterday in the Evening came an Express to the French Ambassador, to inform him of the arrival of the French Fleet at *Brest*, and at the same time arrived Letters from our Fleet; upon which, the States assembled to consider of the present state of affairs, especially upon *de Ruyters* sickness. The result of all their Consultation is thought to be onely to call in the Fleet, the season of the year being too far past for any further action this year.

*Disso, Octob. 7.* There has not of late been any thing farther done in *Buats* business, though many reports have been spread about it, and particularly, that several other persons were to be concerned in it. The Assembly of the States will certainly be this week broken up; but 'tis much doubted (considering the time of year) whether any Deputies shall this year be sent to the Fleet.

*Rotterdam, Octob. 2.* We are informed by several ships arrived here, and particularly, by one from *Bordeaux* arrived from *S. Valery*, that *de Beaufort* coming the 24 past into the Channel, and understanding the English were in the Narrow, immediately called a Council of War, where it was resolved, by no means to fall in with the enemy, and accordingly they were upon their return for *Brest*; That two of the Merchants, under his Convoy, were taken by the English, and two others forced to set fire on themselves; and that two of our Men of War under the Command of the Captains *Vanderburg* and *Resterings* upon the retreat of the French Fleet making ob for the Narrow, fell in with part of the English Fleet, and that *Vanderburg* was forced to fire his own ship.

*Disso, October 7.* On the fourth instant *de Ruyter*, in Captain *Swaerts* ship, arrived at the *Maes* in a very sick and weak condition, and from thence imbarquing in the *Poff Tacht*, went off for *Amsterdam*, but the wind proving contrary, could not reach that night any farther then *Delft*, and from thence was in the Town Barge carried to *Amsterdam*. He left the Fleet off *Dunkirk* towards the *Northforeland*; Lieutenant Admiral *Van Nessel* taking his place in the *Seven Provincies*, and his Brother in the *Huisy*. We much fear ill news from the Fleet, by reason of the late great Storm.

*Amsterdam, Octob. 8.* Some passengers from the *Hly*, inform us of the arrival of five of our long expected ships from *India*, with divers other Merchants of our East and North traders. Yesterday *de Ruyter* came hither much indisposed, but no news from our Fleet since the late storm.

*Westminster, Sept. 28.* This day the House of Commons Resolving the Debate touching the City of *London*, Resolved that the humble Thanks of the House should be given his Majesty for his great care and endeavor to prevent the burning of the City.

*Tarnewth, October 1.* This Evening a Dogger-Pinke was brought into this Port, taken by the *Lilly*, who (though pretending to be Swede) is thought will prove good prize.

*Null, Sept. 30.* This evening arrived a Swedes ship laden with Iron from *Stockholme*, from whence he parted about five weeks since, and past about 14 daies since by *Elseneur*, and saw the *Danes* whole Fleet about 30 or 32 sail riding in *S. Annes* Road near *Copenhagen*, from whence 'tis not believed they will stir this year. He met with no man of War: by the way, either at Sea or upon our Coasts.