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Hull, October 2.

Yesterday arrived here four ships well laden and ballasted with Goods, and bound to this place from London: but a Hoy belonging to Bruges, laden with Wines from Burdeaux, leaving their company, unfortunately fell into the hands of a Dutch Sloop, no other enemies being of late seen upon these Coasts.

Lyme, October 3. Yesterday there passed to the Westward between 20 and 30 sail, the most part of them great ships, which we conceive to be a Fleet of Ostenders bound for Burdeaux.

Norwich, October 3. The account of our Bill of Mortality for this last week runs thus, buried of all diseases 115, whereof of the Plague 100.

Land-guard-point, October 4. On Sunday last about ten in the forenoon our Fleet appeared in sight of this place, and about 12 came to an Anchor within a League of the Buoy of the Gunfleet; and the same night weighing, stood for the Buoy in the Nore. The 2d instant arrived here the Little-Victory, bringing with him the great French man of War of above 50 Guns, taken by Sir Tho. Allen.

Cádiz, Sept. 12. Six French, and four Dutch ships now in this Port, intend three daies hence to set sail for Marseilles, Genoua, and Legorne, esteemed a very rich Fleet, and design to return hither with Corne. The Spanish Armada continues cruising, all sorts of Provisions necessary for them are dispatcht to them, that they may keep the Sea at least all the next month, having great expectations of the Brazile Fleet.

A Courier from Madrid puts us into some fear of the removal of the Custom-house and Commerce from this place to St. Lucar, which was antiently the seat of Trade, the better to keep up the lustre and greatness of Seville, which is full of complaints against this place, and very importunate with that Junco. We heare of several consultations at the Court about this affair, but the inconveniences that the Gallions and other great Vessels must run through in passing the Bar of St. Lucar, will (its conceived) raise a great difficulty, enough to hinder that design.

Letters from Tangier speak the good condition of that garrison, and the forwardness of the Mole, which goes on with greater expedition then can easily be imagined for so great a work; a faire correspondency is still kept between that garrison and their neighbors of Arzila and Tisuan: On the 29 of August, Tassaletta made some attempts for reducing of Arzila, and putting an end to his War in those parts, but upon his approach near the Walls, Gayland entertained him with so lusty a sally, both with horse and foot, that fighting him all that day, he forced him to a retreat with very considerable loss, in which dispute Gayland received a wound in the hand, having first killed two principal Almochadens of his Enemy. This success has so much encouraged him, that he does not at all dispaire of recovering his former command.

Vienna, Sept. 23. His Imperial Majesty for some few daies kept within, by reason of some indisposition of body, but having been let blood, is again perfectly recovered, and continues to make all speedy preparations for the reception of his Empress, who intends to part from Milan on the Feast of St. Michael, according to the orders given from this Court; and in fifty daies after may be expected at Neubadts, where the Emperor is to meet her; but has at present resolved that the solemnity of his Marriage shall be kept in the Chapel of Santa Maria Laureto, near the Augustines. The

Princes and Hereditary Provinces are likewise preparing for that Ceremony, and have already resolved what Donatives they are to make upon the Marriage.

The Resident intended from hence for the Court of France, has three daies since made his designation in consideration of his extraordinary expences in that employment, which will amount to 30000 Florins yearly, which sum he is to receive out of the Chamber, and intends very suddently to begin his journey.

Madrid, Sept. 23. The Marquis de St. Romain being arrived at this Court, upon the news of the death of the Duke de Velada his Father, is by the Queen Regent admitted to a command worth 12000 Crowns per annum, besides 12000 Crowns given him towards his expences in his Ambassie at Rome. The Queens Confessor is now made Inquisitor-General, vacant by the Resignation of the Cardinal d'Arragon Archbishop of Toledo.

Yesterday the Brief from his Holiness, was published in Council, and he has since received the Compliments of the Grandees and Ambassadors of the Court: But his Holiness Brief containing some modifications, in order to the exercise of his power, a Courier is dispatcht to Rome to desire his Holiness to enlarge his Authority, and to make it as full as usually it has been granted to his Predecessors.

Yesterday this King conferred on the Duke of Florence, the State of Sena and Port of Ferrara, by giving to his Ambassador the Baston and Cap, who in the Grand Duke his Masters name, swore fidelity to this Crown, and particularly to the present King Charles; promising to discover all plots and designs that should come to his knowledge, framed against his State or Person.

Letters from Galicia tell us, they are there in great apprehensions of an Incurision delighted on them by the Portuguese, whose forces are got together, and are marching towards them, to revenge the late ravage made upon them by Caracena; who with 6000 foot and 3000 horse, has lately entered into the Dominions of Portugal, but is again retired to Badajos without any other success, then the bringing away with him 2000 head of Cattle.

The Count de Monterey, son to Don Louis de Haro, is gone for Flanders to command a Terce of the foot newly raised there. Don Gaspare de Tanis is preparing for his voyage to Venice, as Ambassador; and the Baron d'Isola for England from his Imperial Majesty.

Hamburg, Sept. 28. Our last Letters from Bremen make us give less credit then formerly to the reports spread abroad, of a probability of its relief. The President Kleyso is suddenly returned from Sweden, and gone for the Court at Zells; his Negotiation not yet known. The terms of Agreement formerly proposed, meet now with new difficulties, the Swedes standing off, since the Town did not accept them when first offered, intending to take them into farther consideration.

The Swedes Forces from Pomeren, are come into the Duchy of Bremen, and on Saturday last seven pieces of Ordnance passed by this Town upon the Elbe, of 26 lb. Ball, and went for Stadt.

On the eighteenth instant, Benedick Oxenstern, formerly General in Liefland, arrived with his attendants at Dantzick, where he was highly treated by some of the Senators, and had several presents made him, intending to take his journey through Steim to Wismar, to take possession of the Government of the Crown of Swedes Chamber.

On the seventeenth instant, died the Duke of Wolfenbutel, in the Eighty eighth year of his age, after three days sickness.

The Elector of Brandenburg has many Soldiers under pay, but at present divided; his intentions, as likewise the Duke of Lüneburg's, not fully known: However, the Swedes are obliged to keep their Guards more strict than ordinary before Bremen with very strong Fortifications. What the Neighbouring Princes intend, is not yet known, but the relief of Bremen, is not so confidently talk'd of as formerly.

Wurtzburg, Octob. 2. We are not here without hopes of putting an end to these unhappy differences, of which the Countreys on both parties have been sufficiently sensible by the great spoils and ravages made upon them. Some appearance we have of the speedy meeting of the Referres in order to a Peace. This day arriv'd here Monsieur Bouchel, an assistant to the Swedes Commissioners. Monsieur Nicvius, Grand Commissioner from the Crown of Sweden, is on his way, and is every day expected here.

Monsieur Courtin the Plenipotentiary from France, is arriv'd at Heildelberg, and is likewise expected here this night. The place agreed upon for their Treating upon the Compromise, is Heilbrun. In the mean time, by the inhibitory Letters from his Imperial Majesty, all Acts of Hostility are to cease on both sides, which we hope will oblige the Lorrainers to make no further advance into the Countrey.

These are to give notice, That as well the Courts of Arches and Admiralty, as also, the Courts of Pre-rogative of Canterbury, and Delegates, and the Publick Informations, in all Causes depending in, or relating to the said Courts, are by order of the King and Council to be held, seised, and kept in the Earl of Exeters-House (commonly called Exeter-House) situate in the Strand, in the County of Middlesex; And that all Processes issuing out of the said respective Courts, be returnable thither as formerly they were in any other places. Whereof, all persons any ways concerned therein, are hereby required to take notice.

In the same place likewise are kept, the Vicar-Generals Office, and the Faculty Office (formerly kept near Doctors Commons.)

These are to certify, That the Kentish and Suffex Post-Office, formerly kept at the Round-House in Love-lane, is now removed to the House of Mr. John Dyne, in the Passage to and from Tower-Hill, near the Pump in Crucher-Fryers.

The First-Fruits Office is kept in Coney-Court in Grays-Inn, and will open on Munday the Eighth day of October instant, 1666.

The Porter will further inform you.

Hague, Octob. 11. The last Letters from our Fleet are of the eighth, and tell us, That immediately upon the English appearing to engage them, having been separated by a violent storm, which continued till the fifth. *Vin Nesse* was that day come to an Anchor, eight Leagues off of the *Maes*, with some part of the Fleet, the rest under *Barkart* they had no account of, but believed them towards the coast of *Zeland*. That the seventh, about six or seven at night, one of their ships was seen on fire, but suppos'd to be but a Fireship; That off of the *Maes* had been met a great Wreck, and one other off of *Zeland*; as also four or five great Hulls off of *Scheveling*, without Masts or Rigging, endeavoring what they could to avoid the coast: All which we hope to be English. However the *Raadt Pensionary* had advised as best for the Fleet to keep yet awhile the Sea; But the States is said, have resolv'd on Thursday last to call them home, considering the dangers of this season of the year. In the mean time, two of our *East-India* ships, and several of our *East-Land* Merchants remain at Sea, having been forced off by the violence of the late storms, and with what further fortune, we yet know not.

Ditto, Octob. 13. Our last Letters of the eleventh instant from *Amsterdam*, inform us of three of our *India* ships richly laden that were come into the *Hly*, but a fourth of them was certainly lost, being sunk to the bottom before *Ameland*, and all her Merchandise drowned: Which loss to the Com-

being usually about eleven in all, were separated by Storms, and no certain news as yet brought us where, or in what condition they are, and we much fear to hear news of them from *Scotland*.

De Witte is still with the Fleet about the height of *Dun-kirk*, and by his Letters of the eighth instant to the States, informs them of the ill condition of their Fleet, by reason of the great storm they met with, six of their ships being quite ruined, one of his own Masts torn down by the violence of the wind: That one of their Fireships accidentally burnt down, and two other Ships of War of their Fleet ran in the *Neufe* rather (as he guesses) through some treasonable design, then forced in by ill weather, which he desires may be examined.

Monsieur *Buar* on Saturday the ninth instant, received sentence to be beheaded, and was accordingly executed the seventh following, upon a Scaffold erected for him in the most publick place of the Town, attended by a strong Guard of four Companies of foot, and four Troops of horse, the better to prevent any disorders that might happen thereupon. Captain *Jan Van Amstel* is sitting up his ship, being as 'tis said, with a Squadron of 20 Men of War, and the assistance of some *Capers*, to keep the Sea the most part of the *Winter*, to cruise upon the coasts, and to secure their Merchants in their Trade with *Norway* and *Hamburg*.

Paris, Octob. 9. The first instant *Francois de Beauvillier*, Count de *Sery*, eldest son of the Duke de *St. Aignau* dyed in this City, in the 26 year of his Age, his body was brought the third instant into the *Capechins* Church, in the street *St. Honoré*, where 'tis to continue for some time, and afterwards to be transported to *St. Aignau*, to be buried with his Ancestors.

An Edict for Notifications will be suddenly publish'd, by which all Decrees, Sentences, as likewise all Obligations and other Acts shall be enter'd into a Publick Register, paying only five Sols for each Act, which will amount to so considerable a Revenue, that already a Million has been offer'd to be advanced upon it.

Castle-Corner, October 7. A Vessel just now arriv'd from *St. Maloe's*, informs us of the return of the French Fleet to *Brest*, but extremely disorder'd and damaged by the late stormes, in which two of their Men of War were cast away upon the Coast of *Bretagne*, and another very much disabled, forced into *Havre de Grace*, nor had they much better fortune in their going out from *Belle-Isle* for the Channel, a great part of their Fleet having been some time a ground, and one of their greatest ships (suppos'd to be the *Breze*) quite lost.

Southwold, October 4. Yesterday pass'd by this Town above an Hundred sail of laden Colliers, under good Convey, with a fair gale making Southwards, no Enemy having appear'd in their way to give them disturbance.

Whitehal, October 7. Friday the Fifth at night arriv'd here His Highness Prince *Robert*, having left His Majesties Fleet, after all the difficulties of the late stormy weather, in a very good condition at the Buoy in the *Nore*, and was received by their Majesties, with all imaginable demonstrations of affection and esteem.

Wheres a very Slanderous and false Report hath been lately spread abroad by some malicious and ill-affected Persons, that there is an intent to raise the value of the *Coyne* of this Kingdom, and advance the present Rate and worth thereof; which scandalous Report, besides the falseness and untruth that is in it, may in this conjuncture of time, much prejudice the Publick Affairs and course of Trade, by discompeing the minds of His Majesties good Subjects, and creating causeless suspicion and jealousies in them.

His Majesty therefore being much displeas'd with, and having taken great indignation against the Authors and Spreaders abroad of this Seditious and False Report, as Disturbers of the Publick Peace, and Enemies to His Majesties Government. Hath given Order to the Lord Mayor of the City of *London*, and doth require all other Majors, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, and other Officers, diligently to inquire after such persons, and to secure them, to be proceeded against according to the nature and merit of so great an offence.