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Berwick, Octob. 14.

On Wednesday last Captain *Brown* a *Scotch Privateer*, brought up to *Leith Road*, three *Dutch Vessels* two of them of 400 Tuns apiece, laden with French Salt and Vinegar, the other of 300 Tuns, with Salt only, besides several other Prizes taken, which are daily expected; the great storms have not happened without some damage to our Coiliers. One Vessel belonging to *Harwich*, and another to *Newcastle*, being cast away near the *Cocquet-Island* and this Coast, but the Mariners all saved.

*Pendennis*, Octob. 15. Here arrived the last night three ships, one a small one from *Bruges*, of twelve Tuns and eight Guns; a second from *Osicnt*, of 160 Tuns, bound for *Bourdeaux*; and a third a *Swede*, bound for *Bilboa*. An *Hamburger*, that about three weeks since went out from hence, is again brought in by storm, but neither of these bring any news with them.

*Plymouth*, October 16. Three *Offenders* are here arrived from the *Ile of Oleron*, laden with Salt, they report the Fleet to be still at *Brest*, where they intend to continue for this winter. The *Capers* have of late much infested these Coasts, but we hear not of much hurt they have done, besides the taking of a small vessel of *Apsom*, bound for *London*, and the pillaging some *Offenders* about the *Lizard*.

This day came in the *Saphire* and *Fotrefter* from *Ireland*, bringing in under their Convoy, four ships richly laden from *Gunny*, belonging to the Royal Company.

*Norwich*, October 17. The account of our Bill of Mortality for this last week, is as follows; Buried of all diseases 317. whereof of the Plague 127.

*Milan*, Octob. 2. On the 25 past, her Imperial Majesty in order to her solemn entry, went *incognito* out of this Town by the Gate *Tioinese*, to a place fitted for her reception; near to which were drawn up many Companies of Foot, well Armed, and in excellent equipage, with their Officers. At the appearance of the Empress, *Don Louis Ponce du Leon*, the Governour, with a great Train of several Officers of his Catholick Majesty, and of the Courts Sovereign, made his addresses to her, and immediately gave order for the march, which at the discharge of all the Guns from the Cittadel, followed by those from the Walls, with many vollics of small shot, began in this order.

First marched the *Marquess de los Balbases* (*Spinoia*) a Grandee of *Spain*, and at present, General of all the *Milan Cavalry*, with a great number of Officers Trumpers, and led Horses, richly caporison'd, at the head of eight Troops of *Curiaffiers*, compleatly armed and habited, with Scarffs and Feathers, all of the same fashion and colour. After them a great company of private Lords, Knights, Counts *Marquesses*, Dukes, and other persons of greatest quality, very richly habited, and mounted on excellent Horses, who rid without any order of precedence, in a confused heap, attended by a great number of Footmen, in excellent variety of Liveries. After them came the Colledge of the *Jurists*, the sixty *Deacons*, all the Officers of the long and short Robe, with the Magistrates, the Chief Justice, the whole Senate, with the *Swisse Guard*, and then the *Privy Council* all on Horseback.

Then followed the Duke *d' Albuquerque*, a Grandee of *Spain*, and Major Domo for the present to the Empress, with the Governour on his left hand, immediately preceding the Empress, who was carried in an extraordinary rich and magnificent Chariot, made like an Imperial Throne, having a

Canopy all the way carried over her successively, by Twelve Doctors of the Colledges of *Jurists*. After her Chariot followed many rich Coaches with six Horses, and in them a great number of Ladies, richly covered with Jewels to an infinite value. Next after them were led thirty seven Mules with their *Sumpier-Cloaths*, nobly embroidered with Gold, of which, twenty five bore the Arms of the King of *Spain*, the other twelve those of the House of *Cueva d' Albuquerque*; the rear of all, closed with several Troops of Horse.

In this order, after three salves from the Ramparts, with the like from the Artillery of the Castle, she was received at the Gate of the City, under a Triumphant Arch, by the *Sieur Gero'lamo Visconti*, the Vicar-General; who presented her with the Cross, which she kiss. Passing afterwards through the principal Streets, which were on both sides hung with Tapestry: the Cittzens ranged on each side of the way in order, till she arrived at the Great Church, which was richly hung with Tapestry of excellent work, and lighted by an infinite number of Tapers of White Wax: where at the door she was again received by the Bishops and Clergy of that Province, the Cardinal *Litta* Metropolitan, being then absent. After *Te Deum* sung with excellent Musick, and the usual Service for such solemnities finished, the Empress returned to her Chariot, and in the same order as before, went to the Ducal-Palace, where the night approaching, the windows were filled with infinite number of Torches, as were also the Streets, through which she past from the Church. After which, she was entertained with a Spanish Comedy, and a great Banquet; that night and the two following, being solemnized through the City with Lights and Bonfires, with all possible testimony of joy. Which Ceremony ended, the Empress is now preparing for her removal from hence, which is now appointed to be on the fifth instant.

*Rome*, Octob. 3. Upon the arrival of the Ordinary from *Milan*, with the news of the refusal of the Popes Brief, excusing the Cardinal *Chiffes*, from his Letation, a Courier was immediately dispatcht to Cardinal *Carasat* at *Bologne*, but the particulars of his message are not known.

The young Prince, the only Son of the Duke of *Guastalla*, of the House of *Gonzague*, and Heir presumptive to the Dutchy of *Mantua*, is lately dead, to the great grief of his aged Father, and as much bewailed by his Mother, who is Sister to the Cardinal *d' Este*, and the late Duke *Francis* of *Modena*.

The Count *de Vindisgratz*, Commissioner from his Imperial Majesty, for the composition of the differences between *Mantua* and *Modena*, which were referred to the judgement and decision of the Emperor, after all his pains and frequent visits made to both parties, has not been able as yet to effect any thing in that business, but is like to leave it in the same posture he found it.

Some vessels arriving at *Legorn*, have filled those parts with the report of the arresting of the *Genout* Convoy by the *Venetians*, which we cannot as yet find any reason to believe, but rather the contrary; Letters from *Scio* of the 13 of *August*, and others from the neighboring parts, not at all mentioning it; but rather assuring us of the falshood of that relation.

*Legorn*, Octob. 4. The 28 past arrived here a ship of this Town from *Algiers*, who informs us that those Corsairs had lately taken five Dutch ships, amongst which, one a *Zealand Man of War*, which went armed the last year from hence, and another richly laden from *Ostend* and *Lubon*, bound to this Port with Sugars and Pepper.

The 29 past arrived the *Tuniscene*, in four days from *Tunis*,

They advising, that nine very considerable Men of War were sailing from that place, and that there was in that Countrey plenty of Corn, that the Moors should not go to sea, till they could find vent for what they have already.

*Genova, Oct. 6.* The Cardinal *Harach* is arrived at *Genoa*, where he is to receive the *Legation* from the Duke *d'Albuquerque*, and the Prince *Don Juan* to enter into his *Obsequies* at *Milano*. The high Carriage of the Duke *d'Albuquerque* has much disgusted the Governor of *Milano*, and generally all the Deputies of the Princes of *Italy*, who cannot satisfy themselves with the extraordinary gravity of him, and the other Spanish Ministers.

*Seville, September 28.* The Armada is certainly come into *Cádiz* some day, others to land their sick Men, which are very numerous aboard them, chiefly occasioned by the want of their Bread, and other Provisions; they give out, as if they would speeily again to Sea, but 'tis generally doubted, considering the lateness of the year. Nor have we any great probability of taking the Field with our Land Forces this year, what face soever they set upon it, by the Provisions made for Bread and Barley in the Frontiers. The Duke *de Medina Celi* much impaired in his health, is removed from *Hiebra de Leon*, for some time to *Velua*, a Sea Port Town in the *Comitado*. Yesterday the Gallions and Merchant Fleet for *Terra Firma*, were by Proclamation ordered to be ready to sail hence by the 20 of *October*, and great penalties pronounced against all Captains of Men of War, or owners of Marchantships that should not obey it. The Decree for removing of Customs, and Table of the *Indits* from *Cadix* to *San Lucar*, hath met (as 'tis said) with a demur, and 'tis thought that design is not like to succeed.

*Vienna, September 29.* His Imperial Majesty hath lately called a Council of War, to consider of the condition of the besieged Town of *Bremen*, but 'tis said, is unwilling by his kindness to that Town, to draw further troubles upon the Empire: We every day expect news of the Emperors motion from *Milau*, upon whose nearer approach, his Imperial Majesty intends to receive her in person at *Newstadt*, and afterwards to conduct her to *Ebersdorf*, where she is to reside for some time, till all things can be fitted for her solemn Entry into *Vienna*: The States have already engaged for large sums to the Emperor, towards the expences of his Marriage. The Empire having promised 20000 Florins, *Austria* 10000, *Silesia* 10000, *Siria* 5000, *Carinthia* 3000, the Province of *Craja* 20000, *Tyrol* 40000, *Hungary* 24000, *Bohemia* 15000, *Moravia* 5000.

*Warsaw, Sept. 1.* Several complaints having been made to his Majesty, of the exceeding great and insufferable insolencies of the Army in several parts of this Kingdom, storming of Towns, and plundering them at their pleasure, his Majesty hath shewed his resentment of them to the Governour of *Cracow*; who thereupon has offered himself to draw the Army together, by the fifteenth instant, and if his Majesty please, to march them against the Enemy.

*Paris, Octob. 22.* The fourteenth instant his Majesty went to see the Royal Glass-house in the *Vauxbourg St. Anthoin* much satisfied with the great Rarity, as well as number of several sorts of Vessels making there; of which, he chose several for the furniture of his House at *Versailles*. The same day he gave the last Audience to the Count *Coningsmark*, who likewise took his leave afterwards of the Dauphin, Monsieur, and Madam.

The eighteenth his Majesty visited by their Royal Highnesses at *St. German de Laye*, went afterwards the one and twentieth, with Monsieur, to the Plains at *Colombe*, to exercise the Horse and Foot of his own Household.

This week was published his Majesties Declaration of the twelfth instant, Registered in Parliament the fifteenth, for the establishment of the Manufactures of all sorts of Work in *Thired*, after the fashion of Points of *Venice*, *Genova*, or *Raguse*, now called *Poyats de France*, and *French Laces*, prohibiting the Importation of any Foreign Laces, and permitting the wearing of the old only, till the twentieth of *January* next.

The twelfth instant, *Messire Louis de la Tremouille*, Duke

and Peer of *France*, and *Marquess de Noirmisier*, died at *Chastelavillain*, of a double Tertian Ague.

*Clèves, Octob. 8.* This Duchy, with that of *Juliers* are not a little satisfied with the full conclusion of all those old disputes, between the Elector of *Brandenburg*, and the Duke of *Newburgh*, which are at length happily composed by the Negotiation of their Ministers, in a Treaty of an Hereditary Alliance between them, signed the twenty ninth past, at the Castle of *Winkelhausen*. Which done, the Elector of *Brandenburg* returned to this place, and the Duke of *Newburgh* to *Benrad*; the latter has disbanded a great part of his Forces, and besides the 2000 Foot, formerly sent to the assistance of the Elector Palatine, has sent him 100 Horse. The *Lorrainers* continue still their plundering in the *Palatinats*, and are marched with a party of 1500 Men to the relief of *Kislock*, belonging to the Bishoprick of *Spire*, blocked up, it seems, by the *Palatine* Forces.

*Hague, Octob. 19.* The French Ambassador has desired permission from the States, for the calling of Guns, to be put aboard these ships which are building for the King his Master at *Amsterdam*; which without difficulty was granted.

Doctor *Macdonnel*, a Scotchman, suspected to hold intelligence with the *English*, was yesterday put to the question, and examined upon the Rack, if possible, to extort from him a confession, but he continues constant in the denial of it.

*Hull, Octob. 14.* On Friday morning a Ship coming from *Leith*, formerly a Prize taken by some of the *Scotts* Privateers, leaving the company of her Convoy, was taken off of *Humber* by a Sloop, that for some time has been plying upon the Coasts.

*Lincoln, Octob. 15.* On Saturday last there happened in this County, a very extraordinary and dreadful Thunder, with Hailstones, much bigger than Pidgeons Eggs, and in some places as large as Pullets Eggs. Immediately after followed a storm and tempest, with such a strange noise, as has not been usually heard, and with so great violence and force, that at a place called *Welbourne*, it threw most of the Houses to the ground, broke down, and tore up trees by the roots, dispersing Corn and Hay; but by a great providence, onely one youth in the whole Town killed. From thence coming on to the next Town, called *Willingore*, it overthrew some Houses, which with the fall, killed two children. Then passing onely by the skirts of *Nanby*, it did some little hurt to some few Houses, but moving on to the next Town, it fell so violently upon the Church, that it presently dashed the Spire in pieces, so furiously tearing, and rending the Church it self, both in the Stone and Timber-work, that but little of the Wall of it is left standing, and the Body onely of the Steeple. In that Town it threw down many Trees and Out-houses, as it has done several Houses at two other Towns farther distant: What other hurt it has done, we yet know not. It was observed to run onely in a Channel, which had it held any considerable breadth, could not but have ruined a great part of the Countrey. To some that saw it at a distance, before it came at them, it had the appearance of fire, and was by some observed to move in a kind of circle, though it kept its general course straight on at the same time.

*Whitehal, October 21.* Friday the nineteenth instant, according to His Majesties Order in Council of the Nineteenth of September, was published, *A Deduction of all the late Transaction of affairs, between his Majesty and the King of Denmark; with a Declaration of War against the said King, and the Motives that obliged His Majesty thereto*. Wherein His Majesty unavoidably provoked thereto by the King of *Denmark*, justifies himself to the world from those many unworthy aspersions which that King, after so many indignities and breach of Faith to His Majesty, thought necessary to lay upon His Majesty, making the Foundation and Ground of His late entering into a League *Offensive and Defensive* with the States of the *United Provinces*, to be the Assault made by His Majesties ships in His Port of *Bergen* the last year; whereas, in truth, His Majesty had the freedom of that Port frankly offered to him by that King himself, at a time when His Majesty thought nothing of it, and in order to doing those very Acts of Hostility, wherewith he is now approached.