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*Batavia in the East-Indies, October 8. 1674.*

**T**HE Dutch continue to lie before St. Thomas with twelve ships, though they have lately in bad weather, lost two; they hope to starve the Besieged in a short time, and by that means to force them to yield. The last ship which the French had in these Parts, called the *Britton*, is likewise lost, together with a ship belonging to the East-India Company of Denmark. At *Amboyna* has been a great Flood and Earthquake, in which above 2400 People have perished, and amongst them 25 *Netherlanders*. Here are at present seven great ships, which are taking in their Lading, in order to their return for *Holland*. From *Goa* we have advice, that there was arrived from *Portugal* a Gallion, called *Nossa Senhora de Julia*; and that there lay ready to return home, a Gallion mounted with seventy pieces of Cannon, and 700 Men.

*Rye, April 24.* The *Ostend* Capers continue to commit frequent Violences upon the *English*, and their Vessels, which they happen to meet with; and on Tuesday last, an *Ostend* Caper mounted with about 14 Guns, whereof, according to the best of our information, *Philip Mastriche* is Commander, coming up, not far from *Dungeness*, with a small open Fisher-boat of this Town, of which *Richard Graener* is Master, who was shooting his Nets to catch Mackrel, poured a Volly of Small Shot into her, by which one of the Fishermen had his Arm broke in such a manner, that it is feared it will cost him his life, and this without any provocation; and notwithstanding the *English*, so soon as they saw the Caper, stood towards him, and declared themselves what they were.

*Milan, April 17.* The Regiment of Foot raised by the *Marquess Francisco Maria Palavicino*, is wholly complete, but there's not any discourse of its going for *Sicily*, whither it was designed, for that it is feared we may have occasion for it our selves. Our Governor, the *Prince de Ligne*, has sent six Companies to *Final*, to strengthen that Garrison, his Excellency having, it seems, some jealousy of the *French* Fleet, who will pass that way, on its Voyage towards *Messina*.

*Vienna, April 21.* The Duke of *Bourbonville* having, as we formerly told you, lain down the Command he had the last Campaign, of the Imperial Forces on the *Rhine*, hath desired the Emperor's leave to return to *Flanders*, which he hath obtained; and, it is said, that upon his arrival there, he will be invested with the Order of the *Golden Fleec*. The Queen Dowager of *Poland*, is safely arrived at *Nieus* in *Silesia*, where she hath been Complimented by the Count of *Breiner*, on the part of the Emperor. Yesterday an Envoy from the *Cham of Tartary*, had Audience of General *Heister*; his Errand, as we understand, being onely to assure this Court of the friendship of his Master. From *France* they write, That the Most Christian King still persists in his demand of having *Prince William* of *Furstenberg*

put into a third Hand, which the Emperor has declared he cannot do; so that the hopes there were of renewing the Treaty at *Nimeguen* before the Campaign, are quite vanished.

*Rainbonne, April 25.* This Dyet is not yet come to any resolution in the matter about the declaring the *Suedes* Enemies of the Empire, though it be by several very much pressed. General *Montecuculi* is (as we are informed) arrived at *Augsburg*, where he will leave his Lady. His Excellency had a Conference with the Elector of *Bavaria* at *Brunaw*; and some report, that his Electoral Highness has promised to send several Troops to join with those of the Emperor, which we can hardly give any credit to; all our Advices from *Munick* assuring us, that his Electoral Highness remains fixed in his resolution of maintaining an exact Neutrality.

*Strasbourg, April 26.* Two Deputies are gone from hence to *Nim*, to Compliment General *Montecuculi*, upon his arrival there, on the part of our Magistrates; the said General comes (it seems) thither, to confer with the old Duke of *Lorraine*. The Countrey People on both sides the *Rhine*, begin to come hither in great numbers, to save that little they have left from the violence of the Soldiers. The *French* have removed the Magazines they had at *Colmar*, *Schlestadt*, *Hagenaw* and *Saverne*, to *Philipsburgh* and *Briscac*, or at least intend to do it. In eight or ten days we expect here the *Suissers*, that are designed for the Guard of our Bridge. Our Magistrates have given leave as well to the *French* as the *Imperialists*, to buy up here a certain quantity of Corn, by which, it seems, they resolve to observe a Neutrality.

*Cologne, April 30.* Our Letters from *Frankfort* of the 28 instant, tell us, That that day the Imperial Troops had their Head-quarter at a place called *Sudelheim*, about a German Mile from that City. That General *Sporke* and *Prince Pio*, were come again to the Army, of which the *Prince of Lorraine* continued as then to have the chief Command. It is certain that the said Army will forthwith pass the *Main*, and even before the arrival of their General Count *Montecuculi*. Some have reported, that the *Imperialists* first work this Campaign, would be to attack *Philipsburgh*; the truth of which, time will shew. This day the said General *Montecuculi* intended to be at *Nim*, to have a Conference there with the old Duke of *Lorraine*. Yesterday returned hither the Count de *Kilmansseck*, who hath been with the Dukes of *Lunenburg* and *Brunswick*, on the part of the Emperor; he is gone for *Bon*, of which he is made Governor. The Bishop of *Munster* has, as we are informed, sent Circulatory Letters to all the States of the Circle of *Westphalia* to hasten the march of the Troops they are to give for their part; and hath appointed the Rendezvous of his own Forces, about *Wesel* or *Boucholt*.

*Hamburgh, April 30.* The *Suedes* remain still in their quarters in the *Achter Pomeran*, though it is thought, that having eaten all up there, they will be necessitated