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A Proclamation, Commanding the immediate Return of all His Majesties Subjects who have gone into the Service of the French King as Soldiers, since the late Treaty of Peace with the States General of the United Provinces; And Prohibiting all His Majesties Subjects to enter into the said Service for the time to come.

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WHEREAS His Majesty hath been Informed, That divers of His Subjects have since the late Peace Conclud'd between His Majesty and the States General of the United Provinces, and contrary to His late Royal Proclamation, taken Arms under, and now are in the Service of the French King as Soldiers: His Majesty therefore for Redress thereof, and to prevent the like for the future, Doth by this His Royal Proclamation (with the Advice of His Privy Council) Require and Command all and every His Subjects, who have since the said late Peace gone beyond Seas, to Serve as Soldiers under the said French King, forthwith to quit the said Service, and to return to their respective homes: And doth hereby also strictly Prohibit and Forbid them, and all other His Subjects whatsoever, for the time to come, from going beyond the Seas to Serve as Soldiers under the said King, or in His Wars, To all which His Majesty doth Enjoy, and shall Expect all due Obedience and Conformity; And doth hereby also further Publish and Declare, That the Offenders to the contrary, shall not only incur His Majesties High Displeasure, but be proceeded against (for their Contempt) according to the utmost Severities of Law.

Given at Our Court at Whitehall. the Nineteenth day of May, 1675. in the Seven and twentieth year of Our Reign.

Francfort, May 19. The Lauenburg Troops have been these 10 days on their march; the 9 instant, they decamped from their Quarters near Geisslingen in Suabia, and marched under the Command of the Duke of Holstein their General, and the Sieur de Chavet Lieutenant-General to Gmundt, where they lodged the 10; from thence they marched to Hull, and so to Ochsenfurt on the Main; yesterday they arrived at Langsfeldt above Wertheim, where they will pass the Main this day, and continue their march hither, in order to their passing the Rhine, and following the Duke of Lorraine towards Luxemburg, and thence parts. From Ulm we have advice, That the Circle of Suabia hath resolved to join with the Imperial Army 2000 Foot, and 600 Horse besides the Garisons they have in Hailbron and Offenbourg. The States of this Circle have likewise resolved to furnish double the number of Troops they did the last Summer; and declared, That they should have been willing to do yet more, had not their Countries been so greatly burthened by quartering the Brandenburg Forces this Winter, who do not as yet stir. The Governor of Philipsburg, demands great Contributions from

the Bishoprick of Spire, and that of Worme, belonging to the Elector of Mayence, wish whom the French are very much dissatisfied, for his having received an Imperial Garison into his City of Mayence.

Hailbron, May 20. The 14 and 15 instant, the Imperial Army, under the Command of the Prince of Lorraine, had its Head-quarter at Eberstadt; the 16 it decamped, marched only three Leagues; the ways being very difficult to pass, and encamped that night within two Leagues from hence, having its Head-quarter at Hirsfeld; the 17, 18 and 19, the Army lay still, the Generals having during that time mustered all their Forces as well Horse as Foot, and this morning they are on their march again towards the Neckar, which part will yet pass this afternoon, and the rest to morrow, and so continue their march with all diligence, towards Strasburgh.

Strasburgh, May 20. This day General Monteculi is come nearer to this City with the Forces he has at present with him, and is quartered at Wisbadt about a League from hence, where we hope the Imperial Army that is on its march from Hailbron, will in two or three days join him; in the mean time this City is filled with Imperial Soldiers and Officers who come hither to provide themselves with all kind of necessaries. We have advice, that Monsieur de Turenne, is arrived from Nancy, at his Camp between Schlestadt and Rosbach. The French have quitted all the places in the Lower Alsace, and the Troops that were quartered in them, draw together near Haguenaw, having orders to post themselves near Drusenheim, about a League and half from Warrzenaw. The French fortifie Saverne with great application.

Cologne, May 24. We are told, That yesterday the old Duke of Lorraine arrived at Bon, and that this day his Troops passed the Rhine at Andernach above Bon. On Tuesday last, the Marquis de Grand arrived here from the Hague, and the same day he went hence for Bon. The Sieur Fatio has again summoned the State of this Diocess to pay the Monies which yet remain due from them, threatening otherwise, that without any farther delay, he will proceed to execution. The Regiments of Harrant, Gallas and 2 Commanders, continue their march; in order to their Conjunction with the Imperial Army near Strasburgh.

Brussels, May 24. On Wednesday last, the Most Christian King lodged at or near Mar mont, his Army encamping between that place and Binch; the next day his Majesty accompanied with the Prince of Conde, went to see the place where the Battle was fought the last Summer near Senef, and in the evening returned to his Quarters at Mar mont; and this morning early, the Army was to decamp again, and to march to St. Cornille; his Majesty intending to lodge this night at Charlcroy. On Monday last, the Marechal d'Humieres, decamped with the Forces under his Command, which were about 10000 Men from Sens, having with him a great Convoy of Provisions, drawn out of Aeth; and yesterday he was to join the Kings Army, of which he is to have the Van. We cannot yet certainly learn, what the Enemy

intends to take first in hand, though we still believe they will besiege *Namur*, the Garrison of which place hath been lately Reinforced with 1000 Dragoons come from *Luxemburg*. *Mareschal de Crequi* is with his Army on the other side of the *Meuse*, has attacked *Civet*, and burnt greatest part of it, the Soldiers retiring to the Castle at *Charlemont*. At present he besieges *Dinant*, *Monsieur Rochefort* lying with several Forces on this side the *Meuse*, to keep all succors from coming to the besieged from *Namur* or *Charlemont*; the Imperialists after having pillaged and burnt the Town of *Dinant*, are retired into the Castle, which they resolve to defend. The *Sieur de Villeneuve*, who was sent by his Excellency to the Prince of *Orange*, having been with his Highness on Tuesday at *Rosendael*, returned hither the next day, and with him Count *Waldeck*, to adjust with his Excellency certain matters concerning the march of the Princes Army, which we are told consists in 22 Regiments of Foot, making about 32000 Men; and 20 Regiments of Horse, making 10000 Men. They are now on their march towards *Biffel*, about two Leagues beyond *Malines*, where his Highness will arrive this evening, or to morrow; so soon as his Excellency has an account thereof, he purposes to go and visit his Highness there. On Wednesday last, Lieutenant-General *Agurto* arrived in our Neighborhood with about 90 Troops of Horse drawn out of *Luxemburg*, *Limburg*, *Gelderland*, &c. at present they are encamped near *Dezem*, two Leagues from hence, towards *Malines*, where they expect about 40 Troops more from *Flanders*, which will be here to morrow, and together they will make up a Body of 6000 Horse. His Excellency hath given orders to the Spanish Garrisons, Neighbouring on *Liege*, to require Contributions of that Country, because of its partiality to the French. Last night arrived our Spanish Letters, but bring not any News, besides that of the Count *de Monterey*, late Governor of these Provinces, being made General of the Artillery of Spain. This morning *Don Pedro de Ronquillo*, parted hence on his way for *England*.

Ditto, May 28. On Friday morning, his Most Christian Majesty decamped with his Army from the Neighborhood of *Murmont*, and went and lodged that night at *Thimeroon*, not far from *Charleroy*, where the Army continued Saturday and Sunday; during those two days, Provisions were delivered out to the Soldiers for 12 days, which makes us believe some long march is intended. The *Mareschal de Humieres* having brought to the Army 1500 Wagons laden with Provisions, with a Convoy of 7000 Foot, (of which 5000 were *Swissers*) and 4000 Horse, is returned with the said Cavalry to *Aeth*, and from thence to *Tournay*; upon which, it is said, our Governor has countermanded the orders he had issued for the drawing several Forces out of *Flanders*, apprehending the *Mareschal de Humieres* might in such case attempt something on that side. Yesterday the French Army marched from *Thimeroon* to *Gemblours*, and it is generally thought his Majesty will advance as far as *Maastricht*, where, and at *Liege*, great quantities of Bread are Baking for the use of the Army. *Dinant* holds out as yet, and we are told, that his Excellency has received advice, that the French have been repulsed in three several Attacks they made; and that the *Mareschal de Crequi* having desired liberty to fetch off and bury the dead, the Governor had refused it. On Sunday the Prince of *Orange* arrived with greatest part of his Infantry at *Duffel*, whither the Count *de Rasch* went yesterday morning early to Compliment his Highness on the part of his Excellency, and returned again in the

evening, assuring, as we are told, his Excellency, that the whole Army would be there in a day or two, and that on Friday or Saturday his Highness doubted not but to be in a posture to march. Sunday in the evening *Don Emanuel de Lyra* arrived here from the *Hague*. From *Liege*, of the 25, they write, That several great Cannon for Battery were that day to be sent from the Citadel towards *Huy*, in order to the besieging of that place.

Hague, May 28. The States of *Holland* having on Friday last been assembled both fore and Afternoon about raising of Monies for defraying the Charges of this Campaign, came finally to a Resolution to raise the 300 Penny twice; on Saturday they met again to finish that Affair, which having done, they separated. On Sunday, according to our last Advices, his Highness was on his march with his Army, which consists in 3000 Foot, and 1000 Horse, towards *Malines*, being positively resolved, in case the French besiege *Namur*, as the general opinion is they will to relieve it. We have now better news, than some days since, concerning the Bishop of *Munster*, for our Letters from *Cologne* tell us, That the Bishop had sent to the Imperial Minister there, *Monsieur Fischer*, to let him know that he was ready to Ratify the late Treaty with his Imperial Majesty, and to comply with the obligation of it; so that the Troops which were left for the security of our Frontiers, in case the said Bishop should have attempted anything against them, are now to march to the Princes Army. The Affairs of the Confederates seem to be in a very good posture; our Letters from *Germany* telling us, that since the Elector of *Magence*, the Duke of *Wurtemberg* has likewise declared for the Emperor; that the Elector of *Treves* not only affirms the Confederates with whagemen and Monies he can, but by his Minister at *Ravenna*, presses earnestly to have the King of *Sweden* declared Enemy of the Empire. That the Elector of *Saxony* had Ratified his Treaty with the Emperor, and in pursuance thereof, was sending his Forces to join with the Imperialists in *Silesia*, who, in conjunction with the *Brandenburgs*, are to act against the *Swedes*. That General *Momenculi* was arrived in the Neighborhood of *Strasbourg* with part of his Army, and that the *Brandenburg* and *Lorain* Troops are on their march towards *Cologne*, who together will make up a Body of 25 or 16000 Men; and if there be occasion, will join with the Prince of *Orange* in *Flanders*, or else give the French a diversion. The King of *Denmark* has let this State know, that the Army he is obliged by the Treaty to have on foot, is ready to march. Our Letters from *Hamburg*, tell us not any thing considerable of the *Swedes*, they having, since the taking of *Leobnitz*, attempted nothing farther, and as yet we cannot know what they design to do.

Whitehall, May 22. The 17 instant, arrived here the Baron *Spar*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the King of *Sweden*. The 19, his Excellency had Audience of their Majesties, and afterwards of their Royal Highnesses, to which he was conducted by Sir *Charles Coote*, Master of the Ceremonies.

Yesterday arrived here from *Flanders*, *Don Pedro de Ronquillo*, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Spain, who in the Evening had Audience of His Majesty, and this day of Her Majesty, and their Royal Highnesses; likewise conducted by Sir *Charles Coote*.

Yesterday also the Baron *de Bargeyck*, Envoy of Spain, took his leave of His Majesty, and some hours after embarked at *Greenwich* on one of His Majesties Yachts, appointed to Transport him to *Ostend*.

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A N *Indian* Boy of a Tawny colour, with lank black Hair, about 12 or 13 years old, in a grey Sute edged with black, his name *Maobo*, speaks *English*, went from his Master the 11 instant, without Hat, Cravat, or Band. Whoever gives notice of him to the Porter of *Cliffords Inn*, shall be well Rewarded.

T Aken away May 18. near *Ashton*, a whitish grey Gelding a little Flea-biten, near 15 hands high, lately dockt, two or three blackish spots under the Saddle, all his Paces. Whoever give notice of him at the Castle in *Leicester-Fields*, shall have 20 s. Reward.