

month, and that the army under his command will not separate, till the infant don Philip is quietly seated in his new territories.

**Naples, Sept. 13.** A few days since the king's galleys seized on the coast of Sicily, a Barbary private boat, which had greatly infested those coasts. Last week the squadron of Maltese allies anchor'd a second time at Gela, and two of them were dispatched to Baia, to take on board an hundred criminals, condemn'd to the galleys for life, of whom the king has made a present to the grand master of Malta.

**Hamburg, August 31.** There has been an edict published in Sweden, prohibiting the use of either gold or silver in apparel; and enjoining, that all Swedish subjects, tho' in foreign countries, be obliged to observe the same ordinance, both with regard to their own persons, and the liveries of their servants.

**Aix de Chapselle, Sept. 12.** The ministers plenipotentiary continue to have private conferences; but it seems as if nothing definitive would be done till the return of the plenipotentiaries of the States General, and the arrival of the count d'Olitorio, the Sardinian plenipotentiary. Expresses are also still expected from Vienna and Madrid. As there are many points to settle, and the treaties of Westphalia, Brda, Nimeguen, Ryfwick, Utrecht, and the quadruple alliance, must be consulted, as the basis of the new treaty, a great deal of time must be spent before all matters are adjusted.

**Vienna, Sept. 4.** Mr. Keith, whom his Britannic majesty has appointed to succeed sir Thomas Robinson, arrived here from Hanover the 1st instant. Two grand conferences have been held at court, wherein the plan of a new barrier for the republic of the United Provinces was deliberated upon. According to which, it will be formed of the town of Dendermonde, the citadel of Antwerp, of Mechlin, and of the territory which extends from that place along the Dyle, the Leck, and the Old Demer, as far as Maestricht, terminating at the Maeze. In this case, Archor, Sichen, and Dieff, will be fortified.

**Amsterdam, Sept. 4.** When the deputies of the merchants had the honour of an audience of the prince stadtholder, the chief of the deputation made a very fine speech, testifying their great affection for his person, and for his royal consort, and all his illustrious family; and recommending to his care and attention the interest of their colonies, the protection of their navigation, and the encouragement of their manufactures, &c. His serene highness answer'd them with that natural affability and eloquence which charm every body.

After having thanked the merchants for the honour they did him, expressing himself in that gracious manner, he assured them of his inclination and continual attention towards every thing that might tend to advance commerce, which he looked upon as the life and soul of the prosperity of their city, &c. The many important affairs which had required the presence of the stadtholder in this city having been happily determined, his serene highness set out this day for the Hague, attended with the acclamations and benedictions of the inhabitants, the air ringing with expressions of sincere acknowledgments. The streets through which his serene highness passed were lined with a double row of burghers under arms, having their captains and other officers at their heads, and the prince's coach was preceded by two deputies of each of the sixty companies of burghers, who marched four and four bars headed.

**Moscow, Sept. 7.** Advices from Lithuania import, that six armies from the city of Wilna, there have appeared several large swarms of locusts, which have despoiled every thing that they found in the fields, and that so large a quantity of them is fled over the town of Minski, that during five days together they appeared like a thick cloud over that city; and it is added, that they have eaten up all the corn and grass as Moscow, and the Dnieper, so that the inhabitants are reduced to great want.

**Milan, Sept. 9.** There is a talk here of an exchange being made between the empire queen and the king of Saronia, whereby the city of Pavia, and its territory, will be yielded to that prince for the northern part of the Novarois, and the piece of land which extends along the left side of the Lac Maggiore and the Tesio. The notion of this exchange is confirmed by the great quantity of ammunition and military implements, which have lately been transported from Pavia to the castle of Main.

**Paris, Sept. 16.** They write from Madrid, that the king has settled a plan for the reform of his troops, but it will not be put in execution till the peace is fixed; and that the forces which are in Italy will soon return into the kingdom of Spain; they are supposed to be at present in motion, and are to return

from Italy by the way of Languedoc and Rouffillon, and from thence into Catalonia.

**Petersburg, Sept. 5.** It is said the duke de Byron, late duke of Courland, and his lady, will be set at liberty, and reinstated in his former duchy. Queen men of war that were in the Baltic, are ordered to be laid up at Cronstadt.

**Genoa, Sept. 26.** We have been adviced from Corfica, that the person called Matræ, head of the rebels, having failed in his enterprise against the tower of Palumbola, had been abandoned by the greatest part of his party, and was retired to the Piece of Valeria, without any appearance of rallying his party; so that it was hoped that the rebellion in Corfica, every day losing strength, would soon be entirely suppressed.

**Vienna, Sept. 14.** The establishment of the new barrier of the United Provinces, seems to be one of the principal subjects of the deliberations of this court. The question is not only what cities and places shall form this barrier, but the extent of the districts which shall depend on them, the revenue arising from which is to be appropriated towards the maintenance of the garrisons of those places.

### L O N D O N

**Sept. 15.** The great business of setting at liberty the Dutch prisoners of war in France, is said to be entirely adjusted, and that they have received notice to hold themselves in readiness to march at a day's warning. The Abbe de la Ville, will return to the Hague, in order to resume the functions of his ministry, about the beginning of October, when it is said that a new Dutch ambassador is expected at Paris.

There is certain advice from Santa Cruz, that the plagues in the empire of Barbary, hath for some time raged to such a violent degree, that thousands have died thereof.

**Sept. 17.** The Genoese have sent a minister to the court of Turin, in order to recover the favour and friendship of his Sardinian majesty; and 'tis believed they will send a person of great distinction to the court of Vienna, in quality of ambassador extraordinary to her Imperial majesty, for the like purpose, as soon as the peace shall be concluded.

**Sept. 22.** Letters from the Low Countries take notice, that the generals of the Allies and the French, have sent into each other, upon exterminating several bands of thieves and vagabonds, deserters from both armies, which infest the interjacent countries.

They write from Vienna, that on the 8th instant, N. S. in the evening, her Imperial majesty was delivered of a princess, which died soon after it was captured.

The master of a Swedish ship arrived at Leghorn from Algiers, reports, that four Portuguese ships, laden with sugar, &c. were carried into that place by their corsairs, and that the crews consisted of 180 men.

Yesterday the board of finances order'd 11 new pieces of cannon to be sent to England for, near Harwich, which has been repaired for the purpose.

They write from the Hague, that it is hop'd the new privileges granted to the magistrates of the several towns of the provinces of Holland, will have all the good effects which were hoped for from them; and that the public tranquillity being once restored, proper measures will be taken to remove any errors that may have crept into the government, respecting any grievances that may have happened in its administration.

We hear that the right honourable the earl of Holderness will go ambassador to the states General.

A new man of war of 60 guns, is to be launched this day; and is ordered to be immediately rigged, victualled, and man'd, for sea service.

Yesterday at noon a waggon, very heavily laden with chests and barrels of money, came to the Bank from Deal, guarded by a company of marines, for the use of the merchants of this city. The money came in the Sheerness man of war from Lisbon.

The Merlin sloop of war is order'd to be fix'd out, and dispatched with fresh orders to the governor of Cape Breton.

We are assur'd that no messenger arrived last Tuesday, with the copy of a plan for a general pacification (as was intier'd in some of the news paper), but that there was an account come to a foreign minister, that last Thursday was the day appointed for the signing the treaty of peace.

They write from Brussels, that orders have been received there, for furnishing hay for the service of the cavalry during the winter season; that count Lowendahl is gone to Maestricht, and that the execution of that service is postponed.

They write from Frankfort, that advices from different parts of the empire continue to affirm, that the subject of the emperor's