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From the Camp at Leopold, Aug. 30.

**T**HE 23 instant, Sultan *Nuradin*, according to the resolution that had been taken in the Council of War, held the 17, in the presence of the Cham of *Tartary*, and *Ibrahim Bassa*, begun his march with Forty thousand *Tartars*, purposely chosen for the Expedition, being besides, accompanied with the eldest Son of the Cham, and Sultan *Aquignery*, with their Troops, and the most eminent Officers among the *Tartars*; with this formidable Body Sultan *Nuradin* advanced, and the 23, about nine in the morning, appeared before the Town and Castle of *Stoskow*, which is eight Leagues from this Camp. He immediately made an Assault, and continued it till two in the afternoon, with great vigor and resolution; but the Palatine of *Russia* who commanded there, had so well disposed his Men and his Cannon, that without losing one Man he destroyed great numbers of the Infidels, who were thereby extremely discouraged, and in great confusion quitted their Enterprize, and marched this way. The Sieur *Miocinski*, whom the King had sent ten dayes before with 1500 Horse, to learn an account of the Enemy, returned into our Camp the 24, and gave his Majesty an account, That the main Body of the *Tartars* was within 6 Leagues of his Camp, his Majesty having likewise the night before received an account of what passed at *Stoskow*. Hereupon, his Majesty ordered that the Cannon should be continually fired from the Castle, to warn the Neighbouring places to be upon their guard; went and visited the Camp, and gave the necessary orders for the safety of the Queen, and the young Princes; which done, his Majesty went up to a Hill, from whence he could observe three Leagues round, where, about Noon, he discovered by the dust that was raised, that the Enemy approached. Our Camp is about a quarter of a League from *Leopold*, on the East-side in a Valley which is shut up by several Hills somewhat beyond the Camp: to march towards the Enemy, you must ascend about 300 paces, and having marched as far on the top of the Hill you descend again by a very narrow way amidst a wood that hath been cut, at the bottom of this descent you come into a Plain, by which the *Tartars* were necessarily to come to us: the King after having taken all possible care, that the Town and Suburbs might not be surprized, commanded Prince *Radzevil*, his Brother-in-law, to post himself with some Troops for the guard of a passage on the right of our Camp, and General *Kozvishi* on the left, caused several pieces of Cannon to be planted on a Hill, from whence they might command the Plain which the *Tartars* were to pass to come to us. and several Companies of Foot to be posted in the narrow way (above-mentioned) on the right and the left amidst the wood; which done, his Majesty caused several Troops of Horse with all the volunteers, to advance into the Plain, to oppose the Enemy; who, about four in the evening, appeared in such great numbers, that all the Plain was covered with them, and immediately began to skirmish with us. The King, in the mean time, from a Hill, observed the countenance of the Enemy, and gave the necessary orders, and caused several other Troops of Horse to advance before him, and being followed with six Troops of *Hussars*, which he posted on the right and the left amidst the Wood, in such manner, that they appeared to be far more in number, than indeed they were; his Majesty entered himself into the Plain, encouraged his Soldiers, and having thrice with a loud voice pronounced the Name of *JESUS*, and giving the Soldiers his Benediction, he advanced at the Head of them towards the Enemy: and now the Fight began to be sharp on all sides, his Majesty omitting no part of his, and his Officers and Soldiers imitating his example, so that towards Night the Enemy began to flie, leaving great numbers slain on the place; and that which was most remarkable, we took their great and only Standard, which they always carry with them on like Expeditions.

His Majesty would have pursued the Enemy farther, but that the Night was dark, and he feared lest the Cham, with the

rest of the Troops, might be come to their assistance, as his Majesty afterwards understood by the Prisoners that were taken, who besides reported, That the Cham having been informed, that the King was very weak, had resolved to invest *Leopold*, to burn the Suburbs, and to put his Majesty to flight; which done, they designed to have sent several parties to burn and ravage the whole Kingdom. They likewise told his Majesty three Reasons, which occasioned the defeat of so great a Body of Men. The first was, the ill success they had had the day before at *Stoskow*. Secondly, that on the day of the Battle, the *Tartars* having made a halt about Noon, three Leagues from the Camp, on a sudden a thick Cloud had covered all the Earth with Snow and Hail, which they took as an ill augury; for that only the ground on which they stood was covered with the Snow, and that it was fair weather round about them. And the third, the brave resistance of the *Poles*, whom they fancied to be much stronger than indeed they were. But we can only attribute this great Victory, to the wonderful Providence of God; and, in the next place, to the great Courage, Wisdom and Conduct of our King, who had not with him above Four thousand Men, and of those, hardly 1500 came to the Fight; and with this handful of Men, with the Divine assistance, he defeated, and put to rout, Sixty thousand *Tartars*, who fled that Night as many Leagues as they came in three dayes before; and to make the more haste, left behind them in the wayes that little Baggage they had with them.

*Katisbonne*, Sept. 26. The Duke of *Mecklenburg* hath lately, by his Deputy here, presented a Memorial to the Dyet, complaining of the great damages his Countries do and have sustained by the march and quartering of the Armies, and praying that in consideration thereof, he may at least be dispensed from contributing his part of the Troops of the Empire.

*Hamburg*, Octob. 1. Yesterday we had advice, That *Ferden* is surrendered to the *Confederates*, and the news still continues; *Hornburgh*, it is said, the *Suedes* have themselves quitted, as, it's believed, they will do with some other places, which are nor of strength. *Carelstadt* is attacked by Water and Land, five Dutch Men of War lying before it; and at the same time, a small Body of the *Confederates* attacks *Ottersberg*. Yesterday was intended to be held a great Conference at *Hanouer*, between all the Princes of *Lunenburg*, who were to meet there. The Duke of *Hanouer* is drawing his Forces together to put them into the quarters assigned them, to take away all jealousy from the *Confederates*. We have no farther news from the *Danish* and *Brandenburg* Armies, then that they continue their march towards *Pomeran*; being resolved to endeavor to force the Passes guarded by the *Suedes* at *Demgartin*, *Tribesee* and *Lottz*. *Postscript*. Just now we have advice, That *Carelstadt* is surrendered to the Allies.

*Oldenburg*, Octob. 2. The *Confederates* are at present Fifteen thousand strong in the Duchy of *Bremen*; they have attacked *Carelstadt* since the 28 past; the Dutch Men of War that lay before it do very much incommode the besieged with their Cannon, who yesterday made a Sally upon the *Confederates*, in which several were killed on both sides.

*Bremen*, Octob. 2. The *Munster*, and the other *Confederate* Troops having passed the *Weser* on Thursday last, and entered the Duchy of *Bremen*, the *Suedes* that were at *Langewell*, looking upon themselves to be unable to defend that Post, quitted it, and threw the Cannon that was there into the water. On Saturday last, the

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