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Lisbon, June 14.

ON the 6th Instant, being his most Faithful Majesty's Birth-day, there was a great Court at the Palace of Nossa Senhora D'Ajuda, to compliment their Majesties and the Royal Family on that Occasion.

On the 3d Instant preceding, the following Gentlemen, viz. Messieurs Ciera, Frasnini, and D'Alabella, the First of whom is Prefect of the College of Nobles, and the Latter Professors of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in this City, were sent by his most Faithful Majesty's Command, to the Palace of Mafra, to take an Observation there of the Transit of the Planet Venus over the Disk of the Sun, and also of the Eclipse of that Luminary, which happened between the Hours of Five and Seven the next Morning; but the Atmosphere was so cloudy, that none could be taken there; nevertheless, very satisfactory ones were made by the Fathers of the Oratory of the Convent of Nossa Senhora das Necessidades in this City.

Turin, June 17. On Sunday last the 11th Instant his Imperial Majesty arrived here about a Quarter before Ten o'Clock in the Morning, attended by Count Dietrichstein, Grand Ecuyer, and Knight of the Golden Fleece, Baron Reischach, and General Count Nostitz, two of his Imperial Majesty's Chamberlains. The Emperor went, immediately on his Arrival, to the Apartments of the Duke of Chablais, and, after staying some Time with his Royal Highness, made a Visit to the King of Sardinia. His Imperial Majesty then retired to the House of the Count Khevenhuller, his Minister at this Court, where all the Foreign Ministers in a Body soon after visited him; but his Imperial Majesty was so much fatigued with his Journey, that they had not the Honour of being admitted to his Presence. The Emperor dined at Court with his Sardinian Majesty, and in the Afternoon was at the Corso in the same Chariot with the King of Sardinia; where the great Number of fine Equipages, which amounted to Two Hundred and Forty, had a very grand Effect. He supped that Night with his Sardinian Majesty, and retired early.

The next Morning his Imperial Majesty went to the Academy, the University, &c. and dined afterwards at Court. He was again at the Corso in the Afternoon, and in the Evening at a grand Apartment in the Royal Palace. About Eight o'Clock all the Foreign Ministers were presented to him by the King of Sardinia, in his Sardinian Majesty's Closet. The Royal Family entered the Closet soon after, when, after a little Time, a Pair of Folding-Doors were thrown open, discovering a superb Gallery, and a grand Suite of Apartments very finely adorned and illuminated. The Emperor, his Sardinian Majesty, and the Royal Family, attended by the Foreign Ministers, walked through them all, and his Imperial Majesty seemed very much pleased with the Brilliancy of the Appearance. Great Numbers of Pages were employed in carrying Refreshments to the Company, which was very numerous and richly dressed. About half an Hour after Ten o'Clock the Emperor, with his Sardinian Majesty, and the Royal Family, withdrew; and in a short Time the Company retired.

On Tuesday Morning the Emperor visited the Arsenal, and the Souterreins, which

are reckoned the finest Works of the Kind in Europe, and was pleased to express the highest Satisfaction at every Thing he saw. In the Evening the Grand Theatre was illuminated, to which the Emperor was conducted by the King of Sardinia, attended by the Royal Family and the whole Court. The Theatre, which of itself is esteemed to be the finest in Europe, was lighted, besides the usual Lustres, with Eighteen Hundred Wax Lights, ranged according to the different Orders of Architecture. The Magnificence of the Theatre, the Order and Brilliancy of the Lights, the Splendor of the Court, the vast Number of Company, the Richness of the Dresses, all made the most noble and superb Appearance that can be imagined. The Entertainment was an Opera; after the First Act was introduced a grand Ballet, during which a very fine Fountain was playing on the Stage. About Eleven, the Emperor and the Court retired.

On Wednesday the Emperor, attended by their Royal Highnesses the Dukes of Savoy and Chablais, went to see the Stupiniggi, a Hunting-Seat of the King of Sardinia, very pleasantly situated, about Five Miles from hence. His Imperial Majesty was very much delighted with the fine Disposition of the Buildings, the Richness and Elegancy of the Apartments, which were all designed and ornamented in the best Taste by the King of Sardinia himself. The Emperor returned hither to Dinner and was again at the Theatre at Night, where he gave a remarkable Proof of his Politeness and Affability, by visiting the Box of every Lady on one Side of the House.

On Thursday his Imperial Majesty, attended by the same noble Personages as on Wednesday, visited the Veneria, another Country Palace of his Sardinian Majesty, and was particularly struck with the grand Gallery there, and the Stables, containing two Hundred Horses belonging to the King of Sardinia. At Night his Imperial Majesty was again at the Theatre, when he visited every Box on the other Side of the House.

Yesterday the Emperor went to see the Superga, a fine Convent for Twelve Abbots, built by Victor Amadeus on a Hill just above the Town, and in the Evening condescended to be present a little Time at a grand Assembly given by the Spanish Ambassador.

This Morning, at Four o'Clock, his Imperial Majesty, accompanied by their Royal Highnesses the Dukes of Savoy and Chablais, and General Nostitz, set out to view the Fortifications on the Mountains, which form a Chain of Defence all round this City. To-night he lies at Exiles, Tomorrow at Pignerol, and returns on Monday to Turin; and it is thought that his Imperial Majesty will leave this Place on Tuesday, and on his Return visit Milan.

The Emperor's Affability and Condescension have gained him the universal Admiration of all Ranks of People in this City.

General Post-Office, June 20, 1769.

The Packet-Boat, employed in the Service of this Office between Whitehaven and the Isle of Man, will, from the 5th of July next, sail from Whitehaven every Monday, instead of once a Fortnight.

By Command of the Postmaster-General,
Anthony Todd, Secretary.

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