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Rome, November 28.

**T**HE Pope has dispensed M. Asparu, the Spanish Minister, from the Exercise of Auditor di Rita for his Nation in this City, on Account of a Disorder in his

Eyes.

The Pope, to indemnify the Ecclesiastical Chamber of some extraordinary Expences for his Entertainment at Castle Gandolfo, has caused a Sum of his own Money to be paid to the Treasurer of the Chamber.

A few Days ago a Spanish Vessel anchored in the Tyber with Fruits and other Spanish Productions, which his Catholick Majesty has sent as a Present to the Pope, and to M. Asparu, his Minister at this Court.

*Florence, November 28.* On the 27th in the Afternoon the Great Duke, attended by Count Goes, arrived here from Pisa to see the two young Archdukes.

By the last Letters from Vienna, Notice was received here, that the Emperor had invested President Neri, Councillor of State of the Great Duke, with the Order of St. Stephen of Hungary, with a Pension of 800 Florins per Annum.

*Madrid, November 30.* The Count and Countess de Viry have left Lisbon, and are now so far advanced in their Journey, that it is probable they will be here in a Day or two. The Weather, which has within this Week been sharp and windy, is now become soft and mild as in the Spring. The King, after having past a Day's Hunting at Aranjuez, returns to Madrid, and continues till January, when the Court goes to the Pardo.

*Pisa, December 1.* On the 24th of last Month, the Great Dutchess's Birth-Day was celebrated here as usual; an Hour was appointed for the Foreign Ministers to compliment both their Royal Highnesses on this Occasion, and the Nobility were admitted to kiss their Hands; and in the Evening there was a Drawing-Room at Court. Sir Horace Mann that Morning presented Lord Sudley, Captain Cosby, and some other English Gentlemen, to the Great Duke and Dutchess, with whom they had the Honour to dine the next Day.

*Lisbon, December 6.* Their most Faithful Majesties, who are still at Villa Viciosa, went from thence on the 1st Instant to Elvas, where they arrived, with the Prince and Princess of Brazil and the Rest of the Royal Family, about Nine in the Morning; and, after viewing that Town and Garrison, and the new constructed Fort of La Lippe in its Neighbourhood, set out at Three in the Afternoon to return to the Place of their former Residence. On the 3d they went to Estremoz, another Garrison Town in the Province of Alentejo, and visited the Works and Arsenal there, but lay the same Night at Villa Viciosa. It is supposed that their Majesties will return to the Palace of Nossa Senhora d'Ajuda on the 11th Instant.

December 17.

This Day M. Alexis Mouslin Pouschkin, Minister Plenipotentiary from the Emperors of Russia, had Private Audiences of their Royal Highnesses the Duke of Gloucester and the Duke of Cumberland at their respective Houses.

To which he was introduced by Stephen Cottrell, Esq; Assistant Master of the Ceremonies.

Whitehall, December 19.

Falke Greville, Esq; His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary to the Elector of Bavaria, having, on Account of his ill State of Health, desired Leave to resign that Employment; the King has been pleased to appoint, as His Minister Plenipotentiary to that Court, and Minister to the Diet at Ratibon, Lewis Devismre, A. M. late Secretary to the Embassy in Russia, who had the Honour of kissing His Majesty's Hand on Friday last.

East-India House, November 22, 1769.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies do hereby give Notice,

That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-Street, on Wednesday the 20th of December next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

That the Transfer Books of the said Company's Stock will be shut on Thursday the 7th of December next, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Thursday the 11th of January following.

And that the Dividend Warrants on the said Stock, due the 5th of January, will be ready to be delivered on Wednesday the 7th of February next.

General Post-Office, November 24, 1769.

Whereas a Bill of Exchange, supposed to be feloniously taken out of the Mail dispatched from this Office for Ireland on Friday the 3d Instant, (which Mail was forcibly taken from one of the Sailors belonging to the Packet Wherry as he was carrying it from the said Wherry to the Post Office in Dublin, on Wednesday the 8th Instant,) hath been offered to be negotiated in London by four Persons answering the following Description, viz.

One of them dressed in a brick-dust coloured Great Coat with a New-Market Cape, and a black Coat under it, mixt coloured Stockings, and a plain Hat, is about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, wears his own Hair, of a dark brown Colour tied behind, thin Face, fresh Complexion, and between 30 and 40 Years of Age.

Another of them had on a reddish mixt coloured Coat, green Breeches, mottled Silk Stockings, his Hair of a lightish brown Colour, tied behind, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, and between 30 and 40 Years of Age.

Another of them had on a light coloured Great Coat, a dark brown Under Coat, a Pair of dirty Leather Breeches, dark mixt coloured Stockings, a light coloured Wig, a plain Hat flapped before, and a red Handkerchief about his Neck, is about 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, fresh Complexion, and seemed rather bloated with Liquor, between 30 and 40 Years of Age.

And the other dressed in a grey coloured Great Coat, a dark coloured second-mourning Coat, with black Buttons and Button-holes, dirty Leather Breeches, dark grey coloured Stockings, and a dark brown frizzled Wig, is about 5 Feet 4 or 5 Inches high, thick-set, and of a pale Complexion.

Notice thereof is hereby given, in Precaution to Merchants and Others, to prevent the Negotiation of any of the Bills feloniously taken out of the said Mail; and also further Notice, That whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, any of the Persons concerned in forcibly and feloniously taking