

appearing somewhat jealous of a growing favorite, one of the Sultans Pages, whom he has so highly admitted into his favor and affection, that he already receives the Compliments and Addresses of the Principal Ministers, Foreign Ambassadors, and indeed of the whole Court; but is not yet admitted to Council in any Affairs of State.

The Visier having given out Orders at *Retimo* for the better Subsistence of his Forces by the careful allowance and distribution of their Provisions, is departed thence to *Candia Nova*, intending to go back again to *Canca*; where several Ships and Gallies were arrived with Succors, and had landed besides Provisions, 300 Mules, 200 Horses, and above 2000 Foot; but twelve of the smaller Vessels that were of that Convoy, were by Tempest cast away with all their lading. The Turks before *Candia* labor hard at their Batteries, especially that near the *Lazaretto*, though with little success, by reason of the Fort newly raised by the besieged; from whence they receive considerable damage.

We are also inform'd, That in a Sally made by the besieged, they forced the Turks from one of their Batteries, killing 500 upon the place, and carrying off 46 prisoners, with the loss only of 40 men.

*Warsaw, Febr. 15.* From *Russia* we are advis'd, that the Disputes lately risen there concerning Religion, have grown to a very great height, to the general division and disturbance of the whole Countrey; but principally tormented by the Patriarch of *Moscow*, which has oblig'd the Great Duke to call a Synod of the principal Prelates in the *Greek Church*; amongst whom, are the two Patriarchs of *Antioch* and *Alexandria*, with a great number of other Ecclesiasticks, who are proceeding to degrade the contentious Patriarch of *Moscow*, and to take such farther order in the Affairs of that Church, as may again reduce it to an Uniformity.

From *Ukrania* we are advis'd of great divisions amongst the *Cossacks*; but some hopes we have, that they will again be reduc'd to return to their obedience. His Majesty is suddenly expected in this City; the whole Kingdom seems very zealous in their preparations against the enemy, and are now satisfied (notwithstanding all reports thrown abroad to the contrary) that her Majesty was not at all acquainted with the design of the *Turks* in their late invasion, or the least contributed towards their encouragement. We much apprehend the conjunction of the *Turks* with the *Tartars*, especially since we are confidently told, That an Envoy'd from the Grand Seignior is on his way to his Majesty to declare War against him.

*Zurick, Febr. 19.* The Duke of *Savoy* is ordering his Forces to a Rendezvous, expecting the assistance of the French, the more desirous to reduce the City of *Geneva* to a compliance; but the intention of the *Swisses* in this conjuncture, is not yet known.

The French Ambassador, Resident at *Soleure*, speaks high of the great preparations of his Master, who with the *Marschal de Turenne*, will this next Spring put themselves at the head of an Army of 60000 men; which are now marching from all parts towards the Frontiers to a general Rendezvous.

*Menna, Febr. 23.* His Electoral Highness of *Brandenburg*, has by his Letters inform'd this Court of the late Association he has enter'd into with his Neighbors, for the mutual Security and Defence of their Countreys, being resolv'd not to permit the passage of any forces through their Territories, whether *French*, *Swedes*, *Pollanders*, or others, not to engage themselves in any party.

The Ambassador from *Tartary* is daily expected, upon whose arrival we shall be able to guess of the future intentions of the people.

An Ambassador is also expected from *Poland*, whose Affairs have much influence upon this Court, where Councils are frequently held to consider of the fittest methods to prevent the growing evils of that Countrey, which may otherwise involve their Neighbors in the same calamity.

From *Heidelberg* we are confirm'd, that the sentence of the Ambassadors, Arbitrators in the Differences between the two Electors, is given to the advantage of the Elector *Palatine*, who by it, is re-estab'd in his ancient Priviledges

in the *Wildfang*, to the great satisfaction and repose of his Subjects; for which, his Highness *Palatine* has order'd a publick day of Thanksgiving to be observ'd the Third of *March* in *Heidelberg*, and all the other places of his Dominion.

Part of the *Lorrain* Forces are still quarter'd upon the Countrey belonging to the *Wildfang*, from whence they gather contribution, The whole Army being still kept up, and ready for any employment that shall fairly offer itself.

*Hague, March 4.* Much care is here us'd by *De Witte* and his Party to prevent Tumults amongst the people, whom they fancy to be over-zealous for a Peace; to which purpose four Troops of Horse are command'd into the *Hague*, and the same care is taken in other places to avoid all Disorders: *De Ruyter* continues still here, and our preparations carried on with the same Vigour as formerly.

*Trussels, March 8.* The last Night the *Marquess de Cassel* *Rodrigo* return'd hither from *Charles Roy*, where the Fortifications go on Vigorously, 1500 Men being constantly employ'd in the Work, and 'tis suppos'd before *May* the place will be so well Compleated, as not to fear the Assaults of any Enemy, it being already made very defensible. The French Preparations keep us upon our Guards, their Forces being upon their March to their general Rendezvous, above sixty pieces of Ordnance fit for Battery, lie ready at *Philip Ville*, besides the other Guns that are mounted on the Works for the necessary defence of the place; and by the best account we can get, we finde that the King of *France* has now under pay an Army of near 68000 Foot, and 13000 Horses, but his Designe not yet manifest.

*Edenburg, Febr. 27.* This Morning was brought up to *Leith*, by Captain *Keer*, a Holland Prize of 300 Tuns, laden with Oyl, Tallow, Pitch, Stockfish, and a quantity of Copper, being a Ship of very considerable value. The same Afternoon, one *Patrick Roy Macgregor* was put to the Rack, and examin'd concerning the barbarous Murder of the Laird *Munrosh* and his Son by the Highlanders, amongst whom he was known to have been a principal Actor, but could not be drawn to a Confession. Twenty of the Rebels that were here imprison'd, and order'd to be transported, have this Night made their Escapes.

*Weymouth, March 2.* Yesterday a Fire broke out in a houle at *Farthington*, near *Dorchester*, occasioned by some negligence in Brewing, which in little time burnt down four dwelling-houses, and as many Barns, much endangering the whole Town, by reason of a very high wind that drove it that way, had not a stop by a great Providence been timely put to it.

*Lyme, March 2.* On Thursday last arriv'd here a Vessel from *Guernsey*, confirming to us the good condition and posture of that and its Neighbour Island, informing us, that several Dutch Vessels have lately pass'd by from *Lourdeaux* homeward bound, and many more lie ready, expecting only convenient Weather, and that the Governour of *Fersey's* Privateer, had taken a French Vessel laden from thence with Wines and some Tobacco.

*Portsmouth, March 5.* This day the Captain of the Fire-ship condemn'd by a Council of War, is according to his Sentence to be shot to death, and upon his request, the Execution to be done aboard the Ship he Commanded.

All persons that desire to make use of the New Invention of Major *Thorny Franke*, for the hanging of Coppers, by which a Third part of the Fuel which otherwise will be spent, may be easily saved; may repair to Mr. *Collins*, or to Mr. *Dodd* at the Eagle and Childs, a Brewhouse in *St. Giles in the Fields*, where they shall receive full satisfaction.

These are to give notice, That the Committee for Letting the Lands and Tenants belonging to the Chamber of London, have appointed to sit at the Guild-Hall, on Wednesday Morning the 13th of this instant March, and thenceforth weekly every Wednesday Morning during the said Month; to the end, that the Tenants of any Houses burnt or demolished in the late dreadful Fire, may, if they see cause, on these days apply themselves to the said Committee.