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Warsaw, April 12.

THE Moscovite Ambassadors who have been some time in their Journey are now in few days expected here. It is said they come fully instructed to conclude the Offensive and Defensive Alliance with this Crown, of which mention has been so often made, but whether they will be able to perfect a work which has been so long in agitation, time must shew; The Popes Nuncio here labours all he can to advance it, and has promised to pay 500 thousand Livres to such person as the King shall appoint, immediately after the War is declared against the Turks; and he farther assures us, That the King of Spain has consented to the raising of the Tenth upon the Clergy of Naples, Sicily, and Milan: and that the Prince Regent of Portugal will permit the same to be done within his Territories. We are likewise told that the French King has promised to give this Crown a powerful Succour; That the King of Sweden will assist us with 4000 men; The Elector of Brandenburg with two; and the Duke of Savoy with a Regiment of Dragoons. But after all it's believed that no final Resolution will be taken in an affair of this Importance, but in a general Dyet of this Kingdom.

Berlin, May 7. Sir Robert Southwell, is expecting an answer upon what he proposed to the Commissioners at their late conference, and has so much the more reason to believe it will be to his satisfaction, for that the Elector has absolutely rejected the overture which Monsieur Rabenac, the French Minister here, made of a defensive Alliance between the King his Master and his Electoral Highness. At the same time we have an account of the good success which the Marquis de Grana, has had in his Errand to the Electors, Palatine, Mentz, and Trier, as well as other Princes of the Empire, whom he found disposed to concur with the Emperor in such resolutions as should be thought necessary for their common security. That the Elector of Bavaria, has likewise declared that he will not separate from the common Interests of the Empire; and that the Elector of Saxony (who is perfectly recovered of his late Indisposition) is very desirous to have an English Minister at his Court, and to make an Alliance with His Majesty for the preserving the Peace of Christendome.

Hanover, April 30. This day was performed the Funeral Solemnity of the late Duke of Hanover, at which the Bishop of Osnabrug, now Duke of Hanover, assisted as chief Mourner, being followed by the Deputies of most of the Princes of the Empire, and many other Persons of Quality. The particulars of the Proceeding are too many to be here related, and therefore we can only say in general, that they were all answerable to the Dignity of the Deceased.

Brussels, May 10. The French continue their motions upon our Frontiers, and while they pass from these parts towards the Meuse, their Troops from the Saar, and those Quarters, march this way. This day a Body of their Infantry is to Encamp near Maubeuge, to assist at those Fortifications, and for the same purpose they will have another Camp at Menin, for the finishing the Cittadel that is making there. At the same time they are buying, in the Countreys of Guedres, Juliers, and Cleves, a great many Horses: Some French Officers are likewise come hither, and others gone to Malines, to do the like; they buy none under 16 hands and an half high, and give good Prices. The Count d'Archino the Spanish Envoy having finished his Negotiation with the Princes of the House of Lunenburg, has taken a turn into Hostein, and from thence will go to the Court of Denmark. The News at Court this Morning is; That the Elector of Bavaria has absolutely refused the Alliance the French proposed to him, declaring he could not do otherwise without abandoning the Interests of the Emperor and the Empire, which he was bound to the utmost of his Power to defend; and that several other Princes of the Empire have likewise declared their resolutions to unite in the common Interests. The Duke of Juliers, who is to be our Governor, is as we are told raising three Regiments to bring with him into the Service of these Countries. From Alsace they write, That Count Mansfeld's Baggage was arrived at Stranburg, and that he himself was daily expected there in his way to France; and that the French Treat the Elector Palatine's Subjects with great rigour for the Arrears of Contributions which they pretend to.

Hague, May 10. The States of Holland are not yet come to a Resolution in the matter of the Monneys they are to raise. This being the Princesses Birth-day the Court appears in great Gallantry, and will be entertained at night with a Comedie and a Ball, given by the Heer Van Odyke.

Marseilles, May 2. This Morning arrived here a Bark of this place from Trian, the Patron whereof reports, That there had been a very sharp Engagement between an English Frigate and five Algerines near Cape Spartell, of which two were sunk and one taken, the other two escaping; that the men of those two Algerines that were sunk, were saved by the Englishs, being in all near 1000 Turks and Christian Slaves. R. S. It is said that the English Frigate above mentioned was assisted by two Frigates more from Tangier, who upon the noise of the Gun came to her assistance; which we shall be glad to have Confirmed.

Paris, May 11. The third Instant the Regiment of Guards, making five Battalions, in each 600 men, was drawn up in Battalia in the Plain of Nanterre, in the Presence of the King, Queen, Dauphin and Dauphiness. The same day the Sieur Boham, who formerly Commanded a Body of men in Han-

gry against the Emperor, and the Sieur de Guene-gaud who Commanded a Regiment there, were present. d to the King by Monsieur Colbert. The Marquis de Lowvois is gone to the Bath at Bareges, for his Health.

Falmouth, April 29. The 26th Instant came in here the Peter of Bayonne, from Cadix: The Master says, That he left our Streights-Fleet, homeward bound, being above 60 Sail, under the Convoy of two Men of War, about 60 Leagues from the Soundings. The Wind begins to blow very fresh at East, so that we expect the Ships that are in this Fleet, belonging to this Port, here this day or to morrow. The Virginia Ships are still in this Port.

Chester, May 1. Yesterday one of the Kings Messengers, returned hither from Ireland with four Priests in his Custody, which he had been to seize in that Kingdome by order of the Council Board.

Plimouth, May 2. Yesterday arrived here the Sweepstake Frigate, being Convoy to the Scanderoon Ships, of which the Profarous, the Bonadventure, and the Pemerton, who kept at Sea to make the best of their way for the Downs, were this Afternoon forced into this Port by contrary Winds. They came from Tangier about a month since, at which time the Morcs were running a Trench between Charles-Fort and the Town; and say that the Garrison was in a very good Condition, and the said Fort so well provided, that it was not doubted but it would be able to defend it self in case the Morcs should attack it; That the Rupert and some other of His Majesties Frigates were there; and that the Evening before they came away, there arrived the Adventure, Captain Booth Commander, who the day before had been Engaged with an Algerine of 32 Guns, which after some hours Fight he had Forced ashore about five Leagues from Tangier (the Bristol, Captain Weybourne, coming in alittle before to Second him) That the Algerine no sooner struck on the Shoar, but she overset, and the Mast falling upon the Boat, in which was the Captain and many of the Turks who endeavoured to save themselves, sunk it, and the Captain and all those men were drowned. The Adventure saved between 50 and 60 Christian Slaves, of which one half were English.

Whitehall, May 5. This day Thomas Row Esq; who was Chair-man at the Quarter-Sessions for the County of Middlesex, presented the following Address to his Majesty.

At the General Quarter-Sessions for the County of Middlesex, &c.

Whereas there hath been of late several dangerous Practices set on foot for the promoting of Petitions in the name of divers Counties of this Kingdom, which doth now appear to have been a clandestine Contrivance to withdraw the Hearts and Affections of His Majesties good Subjects from their Duty and Allegiance, the same Practice and design having been attempted by a Surprize on this Bench, the last Quarter Sessions, which was by us rejected: We His Majesties Fullies of the Peace for this County, do unanimously declare, That we will lay our lives and Fortunes at his

Majesties feet, in defence of His Majesties most Sacred Person and Royal Authority, His heirs and Lawfull Successors, His Government in Church and State, and the Protestant Religion as it is by Law now Established, which Declaration of ours we desire may be presented to His Majesty by our Chair-man.

The following Order of Sessions for the County of Berks, was likewise presented to His Majesty this day.

At the General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, held for the County of Berks, at Newbery, the 20th of April, &c.

Whereas at the last General Sessions of the Peace, holden for this County of Berks, at Reading, there was a Presentment made from the Grand-Jury for the delivering a Petition to His Majesty for the sitting of the Parliament on the 26th day of January last past. Now this Court considering that the way of Petitioning as aforesaid was done contrary to His Majesties Royal Proclamation, and as we humbly conceive, against His Prerogative, for that the Power of Calling, Proroguing, and Dissolving of Parliaments is His Majesties only Inherent and undoubted Right, doth Order, That the said recited Order of Sessions and Presentment of the Grand Jury now remaining amongst the Records of this Court, be utterly obliterated and razed out. And this Court doth declare their absolute dislike and abhorrence of the same.

Whitehall, May 5. This day the Judges made their Report to His Majesty in Council, (in Pursuance of an Order of this Board) by which they unanimously declare, That His Majesty may by Law Prohibit the Printing and Publishing of all News-Books and Pamphlets of News whatsoever, not Licensed by His Majesties Authority, as manifestly tending to the Breach of the Peace, and disturbance of the Kingdom. Whereupon His Majesty was pleased to direct a Proclamation to be prepared for the Restraining the Printing of News-Books and Pamphlets of News without leave.

Advertisements.

The Wits Paraphras'd, or Paraphrase upon Paraphrase. In a Burlesque on the several late Translations of Ovid's Epistles. Sold by W. Cadman at the Popes-Head in the New Exchange in the Strand.

Tolen on Tuesday the 27th of April last form, Mr. Roberts Parsons at the Vicarage Houle in Addenbury in Oxfo-shire, a wrought large silver cover'd Cup, marked F. D. a wrought Cup not marked nor covered, being a lesser Cup, a silver spoon marked M. P. a wrought Watch in a plain silver Case lined with Crimson Velvet; a Diamond Ring with five stones set long-ways; adouble and a single Ducklet, with other Gold, a Ten Shilling Piece of silver; a silver box of French Coin'd Counters, a large fine Holland Sheet, marked M. P in white; a pair of Holland sheets marked R. P. in black; several Parcels of Child-Bed linnen, a Doctor in the vicinities Hood, a Womans black Crape Gown, a flowered Petticoat silver-laced, a peice of new Diaper, &c. Whoever discovers them to Mr. Laell Goldsmith at the Unicorn in the Strand near Charing Cross, or to the Owner as above, shall have 5 l. Reward.

Lost on Monday last was sevennight about Noon, a very small Spaniel Bitch, liver-coloured and white with a streak of white on her back, her legs and nose speckled white and liver coloured, a white star on her Forehead, and Reddish spots on her Fars and round her Eyes. Whoever brings her to Mr. Rybolls's a Bookseller near Charing Cross, shall be very well rewarded.