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Naples, Octob. 19.

Two thousand Foot having been raised in this Kingdom for the service of the State of *Milan* and they being ready to embark in order to their Transportation thither; our Viceroy the Marquis de los *Pelex* has received Letters from the Count de *Melgor*, Governor of *Milan*, signifying, that things are at present in such a Posture on that side, that they have not as yet any need of the said Troops, which therefore may be kept here, till Spring, which our Viceroy has accordingly resolved to do, and has given Orders for the dispersing the said 2000 Men into Winter Quarters; and that they may be the less chargeable to the King, the Officers are not to receive any Pay till such time as they Embark. Provisions, and especially Corn, are very scarce here; wherefore several Proposals have been made to our Viceroy, concerning the supplying this Kingdom from abroad. From *Sicily* we have Advice, that Monsieur de *Louwigy*, Governor of *Messina*, had established there a Council of War, which was composed of all Spaniards.

Venice Octob. 26. The Senate have made choice of Signior *Donati* to go their Ambassador to *Constantinople*, in the room of Signior *Ciurini*, who is called home. Our last Letters from thence gave an Account, that the Grand Signiors Son was going to *Mary*, for which great preparations were making. That the Grand Viziers Credit was very much lessened by new Favourites; and that there seemed to be no great inclination to War.

Warsaw, Octob. 26. The Express which the King of *Poland* sent to *Constantinople* is come back, and brings an Account, That the Grand Signior would not recede in the least from the Demands made by His Commissioners, for the Adjusting the Limits, but expected that this Crown should entirely comply with them; what Resolutions will be taken hereupon, we cannot say, but its probable success will depend upon the success of the Polish Ambassadors Negotiation at *Moscow*; for if the Czar will enter into such Engagements, as may manifest his sincerity, its believed this Crown will joyn its Arms with his for the obtaining such terms of the *Ottomans*, as may be for their common security; but hitherto the *Moscovites* have proceeded in a manner that gives us no ground to have any great confidence in them.

Inspree, Octob. 29. On Saturday last arrived here the Duke of *Lorraine* from *Lintz*, and among other things, has given out Orders for the making of new Levies in these parts; the Emperor, as we are informed, being resolved to raise 18000 Foot in nine Regiments, 3000 Horse and 2000 Dragoons, be-

sides the Forces he has already on foot; which are reckoned to consist of 32000 Men. The Duke of *Lorraine*, so soon as he has dispatched some affairs here, intends for *Vienna*, to be there at the Lying in of his Wife the Queen of *Poland*.

Lintz, Nov. 5. The Emperor is sending Count *Taff* to the four Electors on the *Rhine*; and Count *Berk* to the Princes of *Lunenbourg*, and the King of *Denmark*. One or two Persons have dyed, as is suspected of the Plague, in a Village near this place, which occasions already a talk of the Emperors removing from hence. From *Hungary* we have an Account, that a Regiment of Hungarians in the Emperors Service, under the Command of Count *Bergozzi*, had Revolved, and taken part with the Rebels, notwithstanding all the endeavors of the said Count to retain them in their Duty.

Lintz, Nov. 7. Prince *Radzewille* the Polish Ambassador will be suddenly here in his return home from *Rome*; we do not hear, that he has succeeded in his Commission at that Court; which was to desire such an assistance from the Pope, as might encourage the Poles to enter into a War in conjunction with the *Moscovites*, against the *Turks*; all that Ambassador could obtain, being only a promise from the Pope, that when he saw the Crown of *Poland* engaged in such a War, he would contribute towards the continuing it. There is nothing of certainty in what has been said of the Duke of *Lorraine* being mad. Viceroy of *Hungary*; We are assured, that the Orders concerning the new Levies are given out, and that the Emperor intends to increase his standing Forces very considerably.

Ratisbonne, Nov. 8. Every day produces fresh Complaints against the proceedings of the French, who not content to have possessed themselves of all *Alsace*, and of the sovereignty of it, do still form new pretensions upon the neighboring Princes; the Dukes of *Deux Ponts* and *Stonbergard*, they have summoned to do Homage for those Duchies; and have required the like of several Towns and Bailiwicks in the *Pratinne*, which in case of refusal, are threatened with Military execution. These and other Complaints have been transmitted to Count *Mansfeldt*, the Emperors Minister at the French Court; in order to the obtaining satisfaction to the Parties inured; though there seems no great likelihood of his succeeding therein, all the Instances he can make, not being able to change the measures that have been taken, by that Court.

Berlin, Nov. 13. Prince *Louis*, our Electors second Son is going for *Holland*, and will begin his journey thither in few days; the Elector himself is at present very ill of the Gout. The differences between the Crown of *Spain* and his Electoral Highness, continue in the same state, there being as yet no great prospect of an Accommodation. The condition of the City of *Leipsick* is most deplorable, there dying still above 50 in a day, though not all of the Plague, for many of the poorer sort wanting to be

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