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Vienna, Jan. 8.

ON Monday last arrived here the Duke of Lorraine, and we are now expecting that in few days a great Council of War will be held, for the taking the final Resolutions concerning the raising of several new Regiments, and making other preparations, in order to the putting the Emperors Forces in a posture to act this next Summer, as there shall be occasion. The Bassa of *Offen* has sent hither a Chiaus to Compliment the Emperess upon her being Crowned Queen of *Hungary*, and to assure the Emperor that the Hungarian Rebels have not any assistance or countenance from the Port; and that the Grand Signior has Commanded the Bassa's of all his Frontier Places towards *Hungary* strictly to observe the Peace, and in all things to maintain the Friendship which he desires should continue between him and his Imperial Majesty. But at the same time the Letters we receive from *Hungary* speak otherwise, and tell us, that there is great reason to suspect, that the Turks are labouring understand with Count *Teckley*, and the other Heads of the Rebels; and that the Prince of *Transylvania* had received Orders from the Port, to be in a readiness to march with his Forces in the Spring, according to the Directions he shall receive from the Grand Vizier. Some days since arrived here the Duke de *Croy*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the King of *Denmark*. He has seen the Chief Ministers, and we are told he comes to conclude an Alliance between his Imperial Majesty and the King his Master.

Ratisbonne, Jan. 15. Yesterday the Points concerning the providing a Train of Artillery and Ammunition for the Army of the Empire, were debated in the Diet; the most Voices agreed, that what had been resolved by the States of the Empire on the 20th of *June*, 1672, should be now observed, and that the Circles, where any great Action was to be undertaken, should furnish the heaviest Canon, with all things thereunto belonging, the charge of which they should afterwards be repaid by the Empire; That the smaller Artillery should be furnished by all the Circles in general, proportionable to their respective Quota's, that is to say, with every thousand Men they should furnish three small Field-pieces. That for what concerns the providing Ammunition and Bread for the Army, his Imperial Majesty should be prayed to call upon such Imperial Cities, as he should think most proper, to provide good Magazines for the use of the Army, with an assurance that they should receive ready Money for what they furnished the Army with. Some pro-

posed that a Commissary-General should be appointed, who should provide Bread for the Army at a certain price: and that the Emperor and the Electors should furnish a Train of Artillery. But upon the whole they came to no final Resolutions. Leavies are making in these parts for the Elector of *Bavaria* with good success.

Francfort, Jan. 16. We are informed that the Imperial Ambassadors will in few days return an Answer to the Propositions made to them by those of *France*; and that the Answer is to this effect; That his Imperial Majesty and the whole Empire had been very much surprized at the exorbitancy of the French Kings Pretensions, that they could never yield to them; but thought they had all the reason imaginable to insist, that the French King should restore the Lands and Places which he has possessed himself of since the peace of *Nimeguen* in *Alsace*, &c. and put things into the same state they were in the year 1653; and that then his pretensions concerning Dependencies, &c. might be fairly and amicably examined, and determined; and the Peace of *Europe* preserved. They are removing the Records of the Imperial Chamber from *Spire*.

Strasbourg, Jan. 17. The Fortifications of *Huningen* being almost finished, several pieces of Cannon have been brought thither for the Service of that place; and we are told that the French intend to have a great Magazine there. The Fortifications that are making at *Homburg* and *Saar-Louis*, will likewise be perfected in a short time; at the same time the French work hard on those they have in hand here; and they spare no pains or cost to accomplish the design they have to make the River *Preuseh* navigable between this City and *Molsheim*. The Emperor has we hear, reinforced the Garrison of *Rhinfeldt*, one of the four Forrest Towns; and intends likewise to reinforce that of *Constance*.

Cologne, Jan. 20. From *Liege* they write, that the French had a design to have surprized the Town of *Srockem*, lying on the *Muse*, between *Maseycke* and *Maestricht*, but that it was discovered and prevented. We receive likewise Advices which warn us to be upon our Guard here; and accordingly our Magistrates are doing what they can to put this City into a posture of Defence; they think it necessary to have 6000 Men in their Service, and have made several Proposals about the raising of them, which the Commonalty have not hitherto agreed to. The differences between the old Burgermasters and the Burghers, which have for a long time disturbed the Affairs of this City, are still kept on foot, and fomented by those who would make advantage of our disorders; though the Emperor has interposed there-