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*Naples, Feb. 15.*

**O**ur new Viceroy, the Marquis *de Liche*, is making a great Reformation, and is particularly resolved to regulate the current Moneys which have of late occasioned such great and frequent Complaints. He intends likewise to encrease the Soldiers Pay, which is now so small that they cannot subsist upon it, and do therefore commit many disorders, so that the People here are mightily pleased with these beginnings of his Government. The Marquis *de los Velez* is still here, but all his Goods are Embarked on a Merchant-Ship that isto carry them to *Genoua*.

*Milan, Feb. 10.* We cannot hear of the motion of any French Troops near us, without being Alarmed, and therefore we have a watchful Eye upon those that are now Quartered in the Territories of the Duke of *Savoy*, and our Governour, the Count *de Melgar*, is providing, as far as he can, for the Security of our Frontier-places, but the assistances he expects from *Spain*, as well as *Naples* and *Sicily*, come very slowly. The Court of *Savoy* is at present at *Turin*.

*Venice, Feb. 15.* The last Letters we received from *Rome* told us, That the Pope had approved of the Resolution taken by the Congregation he had established for the Affairs of *Hungary*, to assist the Emperor with 200000 Crowns, for the Service of the next Campaign, and that the said Moneys would be forthwith remitted to the Popes Nuncio at *Vienna*; That it was said the Pope had resolved to send a Nuncio to *France*, to exhort that King to employ his Arms against the Turks, which if it be true, is lookt upon as a great step to an accommodation of the differences between the French King and the Pope; and that Cardinal *Cesar Fachinetti* dyed at *Rome* the 31 past, by whose Death there are 15 places vacant in the Colledge of Cardinals. We have Letters from *Turkey*, but do not bring us any News, they only speaking of the preparations of the Turks for the War against the Emperor.

*Genoua, Feb. 17.* Two days since arrived here the *Legborne Merchant*, Captain *Herrington*, in 35 days from the *Dowms*. In Port are the *Rebecca*, bound for *Lubon*, and the *Friendship* for *Legborne* and *Venice*. From *Thou'on* we have advice, That the French are fitting out several Men of War, to be employed against the *A'gierines*, under the Command of Monsieur *de Quesne*. In the mean time those Corsairs do very much disturb the French Navigation, having of late taken several of their Merchant Ships. From *Rome* they write, That the General of the Jesuits, who was lately chosen, after a long contest to whom he should make the first

visit, the French, or the Spanish Ambassador, had given the preference to the French, which had highly offended the Spaniards, and that they had shown a publick Resentment of it.

*Kienna, Feb. 17.* We have not as yet a particular account of what has passed in the Dyet held by Count *Teckley* at *Caschau*; it has been reported that great discontents appeared among the Nobility at their first coming thither, and that there was little appearance they would answer Count *Teckley's* expectations; but since, we have received advices which say quite the contrary, and tell us, That Count *Teckley* had so well disposed things, as that he doubted not but to attain the aim he had in calling these States together. The Letters add, That he does extremely care for the Turkish Minister that is there, and that he does not only treat him with all imaginable Respect, but likewise communicates to him all manner of Publick Affairs, by which, as well as other things, it appears most evidently that Count *Teckley*, whatever he pretends, is so firmly and closely engaged with the Turks, that he does not make any Steps, but with their approbation; and therefore the hopes we have so long entertained our selves with, That the Peace would after all be prolonged, lessen daily, and the Preparations for the War are made the more vigorously. The Emperors Ministers have of late had several Conferences with the Marquis *de Sepeville*, the French Envoy, upon some Overtures that have, as it is said, been made in order to the composing the differences that do depend between the Empire and the Crown of *France*. The Baron *de Swerin*, the Elector of *Brandenburg's* Minister, does endeavour all he can to dispose the Ministers here to accept of the French Proposals, if better cannot be obtained, his Electoral Highness being, as he declares, of opinion that nothing is more to be desired, in the present conjuncture of Affairs, than that a firm Peace be established between the Emperor, and the Empire, and the most Christian King, for that otherwise several Princes of the Empire may be obliged to take such particular Measures for their own security, as the Emperor may not be satisfied with. It is said, That the Duke of *Lorraine* will command the Emperors Forces this next Campaign, as *Generalissimus*. It was likewise reported, That his Highness would have been here ere this to assist at the Councils of War that have been held for the ordering matters for the approaching Campaign, but it seems it was a mistake.

*Strasbourg, Feb. 20.* We are at present very quiet in these parts, but know not how long we shall continue so; for if we may give credit to the discourses that are abroad, the French will have considerable Armies in the Field this Summer, if the differences that are now depending are not accommodated. The New Fortifications that are making here are continued with great Diligence and application,