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*Naples, February 26.*

**T**He Heads of several Banditti have been lately brought hither, some have been taken alive, and others have accepted of the Pardon promised them by our Vice-Roy, upon condition they go and serve in the Emperor's Army against the Turks, so that the number of them is very much lessened, and we hope through the great care that is taken, they will in a short time be totally suppressed.

*Venice, March 3.* Great preparations are making here for the War against the Turks; and we are assured that this Republick will have a very considerable Fleet at Sea before the beginning of May; The Senate have made choice of most of the Principal Officers, and the rest will be named in few days. And besides this Naval Force it's said the State will have an Army in *Dalmasia*; The Prince of *Parma* General of their Foot rais'd 3000 men, and other Levies are making. Our last Letters from *Rome* gave an account that the Pope had been very much indisposed, but that he was pretty well again; That his Holiness had lately sent the King of *Poland* 200000 Crowns, and intended to send him very suddenly a farther supply. From *Turkey* they write, that the Turks will bring great numbers of men into the Field this next Summer; And from *Smirna* we are told, that they have stop'd all the Merchant Ships that are there, intending to make use of them to carry over their Troops from *Asia*.

*Dantzick, March 6.* We have Letters from *Riga* of the 23. past, which tell us, that though the Ministers of the Court at *Moscow* seem very desirous in consideration of the present state of their affairs at home, to be in peace with their Neighbours, yet the advantages which they may propose to themselves by turning their Arms in so favorable a Conjunction as this against the Turks, who are possessed of several places, belonging heretofore to the *Moscovites*, on the side of the *Ukraine*, it was not doubted will prevail with them to embrace the Overtures that are now made them of an Alliance with the Emperor and the King of *Poland*. Our last Letters from *Cracow* told us, that the King was wholly taken up with directing the Preparations for the approaching Campaign; and that his Majesty would be very early in the Field.

*Vienna, March 5.* They write from *Hungary*, that the Turks having again prepared a great Convoy for *Newbeusel*, had brought it as far as *Waitzen*, but understanding that the Imperialists had secured all the passages about *Newbeusel*, durst venture no farther. In the mean time that *Garison* is said to be in great want of Provisions, and if some speedy care be not taken to relieve them, they will be forced to surrender the place upon the best Terms they can obtain. That the Turks make great preparations for the next Campaign is confirmed from all parts, and if we may believe the advices that come from some private hands, the Grand Signior will bend his greatest force towards *Hungary*, and will endeavor to bring the Christians to a Battle. The Commission of *Presbourg* will in all likelihood have a very good

effect; several of the Hungarians that were the last Campaign in Arms against the Emperor having laid hold of the General Pardon; and others that for fear of Count *Teckelej*, to whom they and their Estates lie at present exposed, dare not now appear at *Presbourg*; have it's said given private assurances of their future Fidelity to the Emperor. The last account we had of Count *Teckelej*, was, that he had repass'd the *Tibisque*; and that he had indeed summoned the Nobility of *Upper Hungary* to meet at *Esperies*, to hold a Dyet there, but that the march of the Troops of *Lithuania*, who we are assured have orders to attack that place as well as *Caschau*, had made him put off that meeting to some more convenient time. A great many men are daily at work on the Fortifications of this City.

*Liatz, March 7.* On the 29th past the League against the Turks was Signed by the Cardinal *Bonvisi* on the part of the Pope; by the Count *de Coningsecke* and the Baron *Sraderman* for the Emperor; and on the behalf of the King and Crown of *Poland* and the Republick of *Venice*, by their respective Ambassadors; and the same day Expresses were dispatched from hence for *Cracow* and *Venice* with the news thereof. An Officer, who arrived here two days ago from *Newsol* in *Hungary*, told us that several Turkish prisoners had been brought thither, and that they understood from them as well as by other ways, that the Visier of *Buda* had assured the Bassa of *Newbeusel* that he would very speedily relieve him, that for that purpose he was preparing a great Convoy, and that in the mean time he had sent him some Money. The Duke of *Lorraine* is expected back from *Presbourg* about the middle of this Month, and it's not doubted but he will give the Emperor a very good account of that Commission. And so soon as his Highness returns, it's said a day will be appointed for the Rendezvous of the Imperial Army. It is not yet known whether the King of *Poland* will act this next Campaign with his main Army in *Podolia* or *Hungary*, that depending upon the motions of the Enemy. It is reported that the Elector of *Saxony* has promised to assist the Emperor with his forces this Campaign; but it's certain that the Elector of *Brandenburg* and the Elector of *Cologne* have offered to assist the Emperor with 12000 men each, and that some other Princes of the Empire have likewise offered a considerable number of Troops for the Service of this War, in case a Peace or Truce be established between the Empire and the Crown of *France*.

*Copenhagen, March 6.* The King of *Denmark* will it's said take a journey for *Holstein* the beginning of the next Month. The Levies that are making for his Service advance with good success; and we are assured his Majesty will have an Army of 30000 men in the Field, and a very good Fleet at Sea.

*Francfort, March 9.* Our last Letters from *Ratisbonne* gave us an account that a new Difficulty was arisen about the Title of Excellency, which the Count *de Windischgratz* the Emperor's Commissioner pretends to. And that the Count *de Crecy* the French Plenipotentiary had given in another Memorial