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Naples, Aug. 21.

THe news of the taking the Fortres and Island of *Santa Maura* by the Venetians, hath been received here with a great deal of joy, for that it was a nest of Pyrats, who made frequent descents in this Kingdom, and particularly in *Calabria*, from whence they carried away a great many People. Two days since was brought hither a famous Bandidi, who hath offered to go and serve with several of his Companions against the Turks, and hath thereupon obtained a promise of his pardon.

Rome, Aug. 26. The Senator *Lando*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Republick of *Venice* having on Monday last received Letters from the Senate by an Express, immediately desired Audience of the Pope, which being granted, he gave him a particular account of the taking of the Island of *Santa Maura* by the Captain-General *Morofini*; and of the resolutions that have been taken in a Council of War, for the executing their further designs, which the Pope greatly rejoiced at; and told the said Envoy, that his Gallies should winter in some convenient Port in the *Adriatick* Sea, that they may be the readier to joyn the Fleet of the Republick the next Campaigne.

Milan, Aug. 30. The Count *de Melgar* our Governour has appointed a review of the 21 Companies of Foot newly raised in *Lombardy*, on the 6th of the next Month at *Lodi*, after which he intends to go and visit the Frontier places of this State.

Venice, September 2. The Fleet of this State was according to our last advices in the Golf of *Prevesa*, but were preparing to sail from thence on some great enterprize. By a Bark arrived here from *Zara*, we are informed that the Turks of *Dulcigno* have had the boldness to make a descent near *Lesina*, and have carryed away between 20 and 30 Christians. The Count *de Degenfeldt* heretofore General of the Elector of *Bavaria's* Forces, is arrived here, to serve as is reported this Republick; He hath with him several Turkish Slaves and Camels which he took in the Battle of *Vienna*. We have advice by the way of *Ragusa* that the Turks are very apprehensive the Persians will take the advantage of the ill condition they are in, and attack *Babylon* or some other considerable place on that side; they having advice that the Persians were advanced with a great Army to their Frontiers.

From Count *Leslies* Camp at the Bridge of *Turannovitz* on the *Drave*, Aug. 20. 1684.

Our General having received advice, that the *Seraskier* Bassa being reinforced with several Troops from *Bosnia*, was decamped from *Walpon*, with a resolution to attack him, he posted his Troops very advantageously, about half an hours march from hence, between two Morasses, and fortified his Camp. Yesterday the Enemy appeared in sight of us, and severall skirmishes passed

between their and our parties. This Morning 800 Gentlemen of the *Arrierban* of *Croatia*, and 1000 Men from the County of *Zeimer* arrived in our Camp, who were posted before the two Morasses, which covered the Wings of our Army; the Turks attacked them with a great deal of vigor, and thought to force them from their station, but the Croats received them with great courage, and maintained their ground, and the Dragoons and Musqueteers that were ordered to second them, performed heir part so well, that the Enemy were repulsed with considerable loss; Soon after the Enemy returned in a greater number, and renewed the Attack with so much fury, that the Croats were forced to give way, leaving three Standards in the Enemies hands, which so greatly encouraged them, that they came with their main Forces, and attacked our two Posts on the side of the Morasses, where the German Cavalry and Infantry were posted, but were so well received, that after an obstinate Fight of three hours, they were forced shamefully to retire, notwithstanding the inequality of our number; for the Army of the *Seraskier* consisted of 30000 Men, and ours of about 14000; the Enemy lost in this action 500 Men, and on our side about 200 were killed and wounded. We continue to fortify our Camp; having advice that the *Seraskier* Bassa has sent Orders to the Governours of *Zigeth*, *Alba Regalis*, *Canisla*, and other places to joyn their Forces together, and to attack us on the one side of the *Drave*, while he himself falls upon us on the other side of the River, his design, as we are informed, being to defeat us before he undertakes the relief of *Buda*, which he has ordersto attempt whatever it cost.

Vienna, Sept. 3. On Friday last parted from hence for *Hungary* the Bavarian Regiments. of whose arrival here we gave you an account in our last; they have been since followed by his Electoral Highnesses Train of Artillery, and the rest of his Infantry, making in all 10000 Men, but the Cavalry have ordersto stop in the neighborhood of *Newbeusel* to joyn the Imperial Troops there, the more closely to block up that place. Yesterday arrived here from the Camp before *Buda*, the Adjutant-General *Hastinger*, whereupon a great Council of War was presently held, at which the Elector assisted; and this Morning early his Electoral Highness parted from hence to joyn his own and the Imperial Army. The Garrisons, at least the Infantry, of *Raab*, *Comorra*, *Graz*, and other places have been drawn out, and sent to the Army, which with these great reinforcements, will be in a condition to press the Siege very close; and we now hope in very few days to have a very good account of it. Our last advices from the Camp, said, the Duke of *Lorraine* was ill of a Fever, though somewhat better then he had been; That on Monday last in the Morning the besieged made a strong sally,

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but were repulsed with great loss; however, the same day in the Evening they made another, which was as unsuccessful to them as the former; for the Battalions of *Souches*, *Beck*, and *Neubourg* coming to the timely assistance of those that guarded the Trenches, they beat back the Enemy with a great slaughter; in this occasion the Lieutenant Colonel of *Souches* was killed with a Cannon Bullet, and we lost several of her Officers, and about forty Soldiers; That they earnestly expected the Bavarian Troops; that in the mean time for want of Foot, the Town was so far open on the side of the *Danube*, that the Besieged supplied themselves with Water from thence; but that when the succors were arrived, the Besiegers would likewise shut them up on that side, and after that, according to the report of the Deserters, they would not be able to hold out above three or four days. The Letters add, that the Imperial Troops suffer very much by certain malignant distempers, which begin to reign in the Army. We have just now advice, that Colonel *Houster* being sent out with 5000 Imperial Horse towards *Alba Regalis*, otherwise called *Stoel Weissenberg*, had met, and defeated a body of Turks, which the Governor of that place sent to join the Serasquier Bassa.

Francfort, Septemb. 9. Our last Letters from *Hungary* informed us, that the Duke of *Lorraine* being taken ill with a Fever, had been obliged to retire to a place near the Camp, called the *Old Town*, leaving the chief Command of the Army in his absence to General *Rabata*; That they expected in few days the conjunction of the Bavarian Troops, and hoped after that, to be quickly masters of *Buda*: That in the mean time the Besieged continue to make very desperate Sallies, but that they had had no great success in two they made on the 28th past, having been repulsed both times with considerable loss. We have likewise advice, that the Serasquier Bassa hath endeavoured to force Count *Lesty* from his Bridge, which he had laid over the *Drave* near *Tyrannowitz*, but that he had been repulsed with the loss of 5 or 6000 Men. We are told from *Ratisbonne*, that the Count *de Crecy* hath received his most Christian Majesties Ratification of the Truce with *Spain*.

Hamburg, September 9. A great Conference is going to be held between the Ministers of the King of *Denmark*, the Elector of *Brandenburg* and the Princes of *Lunenbourg* at *Itzebee*; and the general Discourse is that they are to Treat of a defensive Alliance for the preservation of the Circle of the Lower *Saxony*. Our Letters from *Poland* tell us the Troops of *Lithuania* had joyed those of the *Crown*, making together an Army of 50000 men; and that the King was marching at the head of them towards the *Niester*, which he intended to pass, and to advance towards the *Danube*, which will doubtless put the Turks into a great consternation, and make the Grand Signior hardly think himself safe at *Adrianople*. And that the Cossacks were appointed to observe the Tartars and to hinder their conjunction with the Turks.

Cologne, September 12. The 15 Instant the Elector of *Cologne* will begin his Journey for *Liege*, where great preparations are making for his Reception. The 15 Instant. Died at *Wirtzburg* the Bishop of that Name after a Sickness of 10 days. There are Letters from *Hungary* which say the Elector of *Bavaria's* Troops have joyed the Imperial Army before *Buda*.

Brussels, September 7. On Wednesday last arrived here an Express from *Madrid* with the King of *Spain's* Ratification of the Truce which the Marquis *de Grana* sent immediately forward by an other Express to *Ratisbonne* where it is to be exchanged with that of his Most Christian Majesty. The States of *Brabant* have agreed to pay their part of the Contributions demanded by the French which comes to a Million two hundred and seventy Thousand Florins, the whole being about six Millions; And the other Provinces are likewise taking care to satisfy their quota's of the said Contributions, so that, we doubt not, but this matter will now be settled in few days. Our Letters from *Hungary* tell us that the Imperial Troops were marching from all parts to join the Army before *Buda*: That in the mean time the Besiegers had sprung a Mine with good success, that they had three others ready, and that all things were preparing for a vigorous attack against the arrival of the *Bavarian* Forces; That the Duke of *Lorraine* having sent a Detachment of 5 or 6000 Horse towards *Alba Regalis* they had met and defeated a great Body of Turks, of which we expect the particulars.

Plimouth, September 5. His Majesties Ship the *St. David*, Captain *Rooks* Commander arrived here the 31 past from the *Streights*, and Sailed again, two days ago, to the Eastward.

Portsmouth, September 9. Yesterday came to an Anchor at *Spithead* His Majesties Ship the *Phoenix*, Capt. *Tyrrel* Commander.

His Majesty has been Graciously pleased to grant unto Robert *Wadman* Esq; a Fair to be held Yearly for the Buying and Selling of all sorts of Cartel, and other Goods, at *Countesse-Court-Fields*; between *Stonehenge* and *Great Amesbury*, in the County of *Wilts*, upon the 25th and 26th days of September Yearly, where all necessary accommodation will be provided for those who shall resort thitherunto.

Advertisements.

William Russel Coffin-maker, who hath the Art of preserving Dead Bodies without Embowelling, Searchclothing, cutting, or mangling any part thereof, and hath used it to the great satisfaction of all those Honourable Persons by whom he hath been Employed, lives at the Sign of the Four Coffins in Fleet-street; Coffins ready made, and the Body preserved for Five Pounds.

All Ministers and Church-Wardens are desired to further the speedy Collection of the Charitable Benevolence towards the Great Loss by Fire at *Newmarket*, and so pay the Money Collected to their Respective Arch-Deacons or Deputies, according to the Tenor of the Letters Patents, and the Arch-Deacons and also Peculiars are desired to return the Money so by them Received, to *Richard Hoare*, Goldsmith, at the Golden Bottle in *Chappinide* in *London*, he being appointed by the Trustees mentioned in the said Letters Patents to Receive it, for the use and benefit of the Poor Sufferers.

Stolen or strayed the Second Instant out of the Ground of *Henry Earle* Mallice at *St. Crofs* near *Winchester*, a brown bay Gelding near 15 hands high, great Mouth'd, Cap Ham'd, a Snip down his Face, the tip of his off Ear cut in, the middle about half an Inch down, short Mane, with some Saddle Spots, about nine years old, all his Paces Also a Damson brown Mare 6 years old, about 14 hands high, Walks, Trots and Gallops, mark'd with an F and R on the near Hip. Whoever gives notice of both or either of them to the aforesaid *Henry Earle* of *St. Crofs*, or to *Mr. James Hulse* at the Dukes-Head in *Winchester*, or to *Mr. Adam Felton* Stationer in the *White-Church*, *London*, shall have two Guineas reward for each.

Stray'd or stolen the Third Instant out of the Grounds of *Stephen Hunt*, in the County of *Southampton*, a bright bay, Gelding about 14 hands high, 9 years old, white on both hind Legs, a notch set in the right Ear, with a white spot on the left Hip, and a little knob on the right Griskin, if any Person can give notice of the said Gelding (so that he be restored to the Owner) to *John Hoare* in *Newberry*, or to *Mr. Philip Johnson* at the *White-Hart* Inn in *Long Acre* *London* shall have 40 £ reward.