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Rome, May 26.

THE Affairs of the Conclave continue in the same state, with no more prospect of the Election of a Pope, than there was at the first opening of it. *Chigi* and *Altieri*, who head the two great Factions, are fixed in their opposition to each other; The latter of these had once 40 Voices, but since that several are fallen off from him; And of all that are in nomination, *Bambergo* stands yet the fairest to be Chosen, though there seems to be a considerable Party forming for *Patriarca*. Several of the Cardinals are indisposed in the Conclave, and *Conti* is come out very ill.

Turin, May 26. The Duke of *Savoy* is drawing his Army together near this place, which will consist of 8000 Horse and 10000 Foot, besides the Troops that are still expected from *Milan*, and those that 'tis necessary to leave in our Garisons. The *Sieur de Catinat* lyes between *Susa* and *La Valaine*. The Duke of *Mantua* raises some men.

Leghorn, May 28. On the 26th instant the Count *d'Essee* arrived in this Road with 7 French Men of War; four of which, without letting fall their Anchors, went Eastward under the command of *Monieur de Gaberet*. Three French Men of War more, and 16 Gallies, are hourly expected here.

Venice, June 2. By a Vessel from *Corfu* we have advice, that the Captain-General failed thence with the whole Fleet on the 7th past, taking his Course towards *Prevesa*; That he intended to visit the Garisons in the *Morea*, and to be at *Napoli di Romania* towards the end of the month. The Turks, according to all our accounts from the *Levant*, make great Preparations for the War; Their Troops, that some time since attack'd *Valona*, are marched part of them towards *Hungary*, and the rest towards *Thebes*, where the *Seraski* of the *Morea* holds the Rendezvous of the Forces that are to act under his command this Campaign. From *Dalmatia* they write, that the *Bassa* of *Arcegovina* had attacked *Vigoraz*, which our Troops made themselves Masters of the last year, but that he was beaten off and put to flight; and that another Party of Turks, who appeared near *Clin*, had been likewise repulsed, and most of them cut in pieces.

Madrid, May 16. The Court returned hither this day from *Aranjuez*. New Supplies have been sent to the Duke of *Medina Sidonia* Viceroy of *Catalonia*, who, it's believed, has by this time taken the Field with an Army of 14 or 15000 men; The French, according to our last advices from thence, were drawing together on the Frontiers of *Roussillon*, under the command of the Duke de *Noailles*. The *Marquis de Leganes*, Governor of *Milan*, parted from *Alicant* on the 30th past for *Genoa*, carrying with him Bills for a very considerable sum of Money to be employed for the assistance of the Duke of *Savoy*. The Envoy of *Morocco* continues still here.

Rome, June 3. On Thursday last was held a great Council at *Latteran*, at which *Prince Louis* was pre-

sent, who will now in few days set out for *Hungary*, where the Imperial Army in the mean time is drawing together near *Lishecke*. Our advices from *Turkey* say, that they are much surpris'd to hear, that the Emperor will have so powerful an Army in the Field against them, having been all along assur'd of the contrary by the French Ambassador, who promised them so great a diversion by the Forces of his Master in *Germany*, as that his Imperial Majesty should not be able to spare any considerable Body of his Troops in *Hungary* this Summer. They write from *Esseke*, that a Party of Heyducks, upon information that the *Bassa* of *Diavova* (a place between the *Drave* and the *Sava*) was gone for *Belgrade*, waylaid him, and took him Prisoner, after having cut off his Convey. The Letters of the 24th past from *Hermanstadt* give an account, that the design of the Turks, who went lately from *Great Waradin* and *Temeswar*, was only to facilitate the passage of several Convoys of Provisions to the Garisons thereabouts; That the Russian Captain *Antonov* had defeated a Party of 200 Turks, killing 61 upon the place; And that another Company of Russians had cut in pieces 30 Turks near *Bucharest*, and taken the Aga, who commanded them, Prisoner. We hear, that several Barks, laden with Artillery and Provisions for the Enemy, were advanced up the *Danube* as far as *Orfama*, guarded by 4000 Turks. Their Imperial Majesties, with the whole Court returned yesterday to this place, intending to reside most of the Summer in the Suburbs, at a new Palace called the *Favosite*.

Hydelberg, June 9. The Imperial Troops, with those of *Bavaria*, *Saxia*, and *Francia*, are now encamped at *Wisslock*, about 2 hours march from this place; And the Prince de *Commercy* is posted with 3500 Horse at *Schwerzing*, between the *Rhine* and the *Neckar*. The Saxons do likewise advance this way, and so soon as they arrive the Imperialists and Bavarians will begin their march towards *Savoy*, commanded by the Elector in Person; And besides these, there will remain on the *Rhine* an Army of above 40000 men, commanded by the Elector of *Saxony*, and under him by General *Caprara*. The French Army lyes still encamped near *Neder-Ulm*.

Cologne, June 12. The last advices from the Palatinate tell us, that there was in *Hydelberg* a Garison of 5000 men, and that the Troops of the Emperor, *Bavaria*, *Saxia*, and *Francia*, lay encamped in their Neighbourhood; That the *Marschal de Lorge* was with a Body of Horse and Dragoons, and 3 Companies of Grenadiers, on the side of *Mentz*, his Infantry remaining still at *Landsau*, and that 'twas believed, his sole design was to destroy the Country, and to consume the Forage. The Letters from *Frankfort* of the 10th, which are just now come in, say, that General *Caprara* had detached from the Confederate Army 2700 men to reinforce the Garison of *Mentz*, and that these Troops were followed by the Prince de *Commercy* with 4000 Horse and 600 Husars, who had orders to post themselves near that City; That General *Caprara*, with the rest of the Confederate Army, was encamped at *Wisslocke* about 2 Leagues from *Hydelberg*; And that the *Marschal de Lorge* was himself returned to *Landsau*. 'Tis believed, that the Troops of *Saxony* are by this time arrived at the Rendezvous near *Hindobron*.

Paris, June 12. The Letters from *Piedmont* give an account, that the *Sieur de Catinat* decamp'd on the 27th past from *Susa*, and march'd to *St. Etienne*; and understanding that the Duke of *Savoy* had drawn most of his Troops out of *La Valaine*, leaving there but 400 men, he invested it the next day. The 29th, a Battery of 5 Pieces of Cannon was rais'd against the place, and an attack was made by the Regiments of the *Marine*, *Bouqueres*, and

and *Sault*, upon the Out-works, which were very slight, and hardly to be defended, however the Garrison, posted there, made a brave resistance till most of them were cut off; And then the French pushed themselves of the Line, and advanced to attack the Castle; In the Evening they raised a Battery against it, and made themselves Masters of the Batteries, and the next day the Governor seeing he was in a condition to hold out denied to Capitulate, but Monsieur *Catinat* would grant him no other Conditions than to surrender at discretion, which he consented to, and he and the Garrison consisting of 320 men, the rest having been killed, were made Prisoners of War, and carried to *Bermon*; In this Action the Count de *Tesse*, Marechal de Camp, was dangerously wounded, but what other loss we sustained is not known. Since this Monsieur *Catinat* is marched towards *Germagnon*. The Letters from *Brest* of the 11th instant say, that the Rendezvous of the French Fleet was appointed at *Belle Isle*, that such Ships as were ready were gone thither, and that Monsieur de *Tourville* was making what haste he could to follow them with the rest.

On the 5th instant arrived here an Express from the Marquis de *Boufflers*, with the news of his being set down before *Leige*, that he had possessed himself of the *Char-motte*, and had begun to attack the Town with his Bombs and Fire-balls; And we were very confident here of the Success of this Enterprise, having, as 'twas believed, some Intelligence within the Town, when to our great disappointment we receiv'd an account, that by the Courage and Resolution of the Bishop, with the stout resistance of the Garrison, and the approach of a Body of the Confederate Troops to their Relief, he was obliged to quit it, and to march away with all the disorder of a hasty Retreat.

Mail-richt, June 9. The French thought to have frighted the City of *Leige* with their Bombs, and by the help of the Cardinal of *Furstemberg's* Faction, to have made themselves Masters of it, but the Bishop managed things with that Prudence and Resolution, that he gave time to the Confederates to come to his Relief, and obliged the Enemy to make a precipitate Retreat. Our Troops that pursued them, with a design to fall upon their Rear, have brought back above 100 Prisoners, whom they pick'd up in their way, and 'tis reported, that the Enemy likewise left behind them 2 Pieces of Cannon.

From His Majesty's Camp at *Anderlecke*, June 14. All the English and Scotch Forces which lay about *Bruges*, *Ghent*, and those Parts, are come up, except two Regiments, which are expected here to-morrow or the day following, and then there will be a General Review of the Army, which will consist of between 50 and 60000 men, without reckoning the Troops of the Duke of *Zea*, which are likewise on their march to join us; After this Review we shall quickly move towards the French, who are still encamped at *Bra ne l. Comte*; But it's believed, they design to retire towards *Pieton* or *Cambrai*. The King goes out every morning and evening to see the Army, and often draws out Detachements, and advances to view the Country between us and the Enemy. The Lord Duke of *Ormonde*, Lord Marquis of *Winchester*, and the rest of the English Nobility, that came over from *England* with the last Convoy, are arrived here. The Marquis de *Boufflers* continues about *Dinant*, from whence he has detached some Regiments towards the *Moselle*.

Hague, June 15. We hear by the last Letters from *Flanders*, that the Armies continue in their former Posts; but that His Majesty would decamp in few days. They write from *Germany*, that the Van-Guard of the Saxon Troops was arrived at the Rendezvous. The Duke of *Schonenberg* had on the 11th inst. a Conference with the Elector of *Bavaria* at *Landshut*, and is by this time arrived in *Piedmont*, whither 6000 Germans are said to have been on their march ever since the 27th of the last month, and that the rest of the Saxons would quickly follow. The French from *Italy* say, that the French Gallies were come before *Genoa* the 11th inst. probably to fight the Cardinals to choose a Pope to their mind, but it may rather be thought, that it will have a quite contrary effect. From *Genoa* we have an account, that the English and Dutch Squadron with the *Trafalgar* Fleet lately arrived there on the 11th of the last month.

Dover, June 9. The Fleet, which has been kept some time in the *Dunott* by the contrary Winds and bad Weather, got under Sail this morning, and are now tiding in towards *Dover* with the Wind directly against them. 'Tis supposed they will it up the next Tide in *Dover Road*, and if the Weather continues fair, they will go to work again to-morrow morning.

Dover, June 9. The English and Dutch Fleet, under the command of Admiral *Ross*, came to an Anchor about three this afternoon off of this place.

Whitehall, June 9. The Dean and Chapter of the Metropolitan Church of *Tork* have, in pursuance of Their Majesties *Conce d'Elire*, by unanimous consent Elected Dr. *John Sharp*, Dean of *Canterbury*, to be Archbishop of that See. And the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of *Peterborough* have likewise unanimously Elected Dr. *Richard Cumberland* to be Bishop of *Peterborough*; To both which Elections Their Majesties have been pleased to grant their Royal Assent.

These are to give notice, That Their Majesties have been Graciously pleased to Grant Letters Patents to Edward Thompson Esq; for the Office of Registering the Consents of all such Covenant Servants as are willing to Transplant themselves to the Plantations, the former Letters Patents (granted to Colonel John Legg, and others) being lately made void by a Decree in Chancery. The said Office will be kept for the present at Mr. Anthony Cornwall's house on St. Mary-Hill near Billingsgate.

Advertisements.

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Lost, a Note of Mr. Tho. Symonds junior's Hand for Mr. Tho. Symonds senior, payable to Mr. John Symonds, or Bearer, for 10 l. dated about the 13th of May, 1691. Whoever brings it to Mr. John Barker at the 7 Stars in Paternoster-Row, shall have a Guinea Reward.

Stopp'd about 3 weeks since at Fpping Market, 5 young Heifers, being supposed to have been stolen: The Owners thereof describing the Marks, and paying the Charge, may have them again of Mr. Henry Bird of Staplefoot-Abbey in Essex.

At Tunbridge-Wells in Kent, on the Hill near the Coffee-Tavern, is a large House with all Conveniences, to be Let by Lease or Yearly Rent; likewise a lesser House, having all Conveniences, with a Grove behind it, to be Sold ready furnished. Enquire of Mr. Pett, Apothecary, in Gracechurch-Street, London, or at his Shop on the Walks at Tunbridge-Wells.

Stolen or strayed the 6th instant, at night, from Tamam-Court near London, a black Gelding near 15 hands, having a bell in his Face, his hind Feet white, Wall Eyed, and gravelled on the off Foot before, with a Notch cut on the inside of his Hoof, all his Paces, above 5 years o'd. Whoever secures him, and presents to Captain Gay at the Horse-Guards by Whitehall, shall be Rewarded.