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Constantinople, July 4.

THE Grand Viceroy perceiving Sultan *Solyman's* illness of a Dropsy increased daily, informed that the Physicians were of opinion he could not live long, resolved before he went into the Field to settle Matters here, as that his Brother *Achmet* should succeed him; accordingly he called together the Muti, the Cadifque, the Caimacan, and the Chief Persons of the Law, to consult with them about it; the Muti and some others, readily declared themselves for *Achmet*, youngest Son of Sultan *Ibrahim*, but the major part rejected him, as unfit for Government, having been kept a Prisoner ever since he was 5 years old, and proposed *Mustapha* the Son of the late Sultan *Makomet*. The Viceroy caused the Muti to discourse with them afterwards in private, and to endeavour to bring them off from their Resolution in favour of *Mustapha*, but they persisting therein, the chief of them, with some old Officers of the Janisaries, were banished to *Rhodes*, *Cyprus*, and *Lennos*, which terrified the rest, that they durst not oppose any longer the Viceroy's design; Who, at his departure for *Adrianople*, took with him the sick Sultan, *Mahomet*, and *Mustapha*, and after having let the Army rest there 4 days, that there might be no Commotions among them upon the Sultan's death, marched to *Philippopolis*. On the 22d of June Sultan *Solyman* dyed, and the same day Sultan *Achmet* was Proclaimed at *Adrianople*, and on the 25th here, and at *Galea*. This change will, it's believed, ve-y much facilitate a Peace with the Christians, which seems to be very necessary for the Establishing the Viceroy's Authority under the new Sultan. In the mean time the *Asiatick* Troops continue to pass by here in small Bodies towards *Adrianople*. The Captain-Baissa is gone out with 15 Gallies, upon advice that the Venetians have plundered the Island of *Metellino*, and it's said, he has taken his Course towards *Scio* to joyne there with 14 *Algierine* Men of War; On board these Gallies are 2000 Land-men, taken out of 9 Turkish and 3 *Tripoli* Ships, which therefore cannot go to Sea, and lye near the Old Castles.

Turin, August 4. This week arrived in our Camp, between this place and *Morcalier*, the Generals *Paisi* and *Comery* with 3000 Horse, and the Regiment of Foot of *Berens*; So that there are now arrived 12000 Men of the German Success, and the rest are come into our Duke's Territories and the State of *Milum*. The Elector of *Bavaria* is suddenly expected, and so soon as he arrives 'tis believed we shall enter upon some considerable Action. The French, since their repassing the *Po*, continue encamped about *Piobes*. They are still at work to undermine the Fortifications, of *Carmagnole*, but at the same time show no design of quitting that place till they be forced to it.

Milan, August 8. Our Governor has ordered all the Soldiers in this State, and the Troops, that are now posted at *Novarre*, to march forthwith to *Piedmont*; And intends to block up *Casal* towards *Winter*.

Vence, August 10. A Convoy of 18 Ships lies ready to sail with the first fair Wind, with which the Baron de *Degeffels*, General of our Land Forces, will pass to the *Levant* with 800 Soldiers and 200000 Ducats. We have received no news from our Fleet since that of their being sailed towards the *Archipelago*.

Vienna, August 12. The Letters from the Imperial Camp at *Peter Waradin* of the 2d instant give an account, that the whole Ottoman Army had passed the *Sava* near to *Semlin* with a resolution to fight the Imperialists; that *Tekeley* and the *Bassa* of *Silesiria* with a Body of Tatars were arrived at *Bansofora*, and were daily expected in the Turkish Camp; That the Enemy had sent 20 Sueds up the *Danube*, to set some Men ashore near *Peter Waradin*, who fired upon our Out-Guard, but presently retired, and to prevent the like for the future, Prince *Lewis* had ordered 12 Pieces of Cannon to be planted on the Banks of the *Danube*; that he had likewise given Orders for the fortifying of *Peter Waradin*, and laying a Bridge of Boats over the *Danube*, in order to maintain a Communication with *Upper Hungary* and *Transylvania*; That the Turkish Chiaus was kindly received and treated by Prince *Lewis*, and sent back on the 30th past; And that Complaint had been made to the Grand Viceroy, of the Vic-

ision of the Article granted to the Garrison of *Tirah*, who seemed much offended at it, and promised to punish those that were guilty thereof, and to release as many German Prisoners as were killed of the Garrison. From *Frankfort* they write of the 31st past, that General *Vitruzi* marched on the 26th with the Troops under his command to *Wintz*, and on the 28th to *Palanur*, upon advice that the Enemy had passed the *Porta Ferrata* with a design to invade that Principality, but it proved a mistake occasioned by the march of a Body of Turks to *Cara Saba*. This day are come in Letters of the 4th instant from the Imperial Camp, which say, that the Army, after having been reinforced at *Peter Waradin* by 2000 Bavarian; and the Regiment of *Bielke*, marched from thence on the 3d, and encamped within 2 Leagues of *Schlankment*, that 'twas reported, that the Grand Viceroy had upon the news of it repass'd the *Sava*; That the Turks had undermined the Castle of *Tirah* in order to blow it up, in case any of our Troops were sent to retake it; And that our Army was to march on the 5th to *Schlankment*. The Croats have taken *Novi* on the River *Unna*, putting the Garrison with the Commandant and 4 Agas to the Sword. Secretary *Capello* is arrived here from *Vence*, and is to go with an Envoy that's expected from *Poland* to the Imperial Camp, to assist at the Treaty of Peace with the Turks.

Turk from the Elector of Saxony's Camp at Brethym, August 16. On the 10th instant we marched from *Seckinheim* to *Swetzingen*, at the same time the Bridge was taken away from *Manheim*, and the Provisions that were laid up there removed to *Ladenburg*. On the 11th we marched to *Wipfelen*, and having received advice that the French had taken the Town of *Spirzheim*, in which there was a Garrison of 200 Men, who were made Prisoners of War, we advanced towards this place, with a resolution to march on towards the Enemy, but soon after our arrival here we understood, that upon notice of our march they had abandoned *Pfozheim*, and were retired towards *Bruchsal*. On the 12th and 13th several Parties were sent out, who took some Prisoners. The 14th we marched nearer to *Brethym*; The Enemy appeared with strong Detachements in sight of our Van-Guard, but durst not attempt any thing.

Hydelbergh, August 18. The Garrison of *Landau*, except only two Battalions which continue there, have passed the *Rhine* at *Philpsburgh*, in order to joyn the French Army under the command of the Marschal de *Longe*, who lyes now between *Pfortzheim* and *Darbach*. Duke *Frederick* of *Saxe Gotha* dyed on the 12th instant at *Eysenach* of an Apoplexy.

Francfort, August 19. Three thousand Suedes are arrived in our Neighbourhood, and to morrow they will pass the *Main* at *Stunheim*, and thence continue their march to joyn the Confederate Army in the Palatinate.

Hamburgh, August 20. The Letters from *Poland* say, that the Army of that Crown was decamped and marched towards the frontiers of *Podolia*.

Cologne, Aug. 21. The Forces of *Neubourg*, under the command of the Count d'*Autel*, are still encamped near *Grolsheim*, expecting a Reinforcement from *Julesburg*, *Duffeldorp*, and other Garrisons, and a great quantity of Ammunition, Bombs, &c. from this place. In the mean time their Parties make Executions as far as *Hommersbach*, *Moesbach*, and *Clusen*, on the other side of the *Meuse*, without meeting any of the Enemy's Troops. The French have at present in *Montroya*, but 100 Dragoons and 800 Foot. By the Letters of the 18th from the Palatinate we have an account, that 900 Saxons and Hussars having been sent out on the 14th to observe the Enemy, were come back that day, having met with and cut in pieces about 500 French, and taken a great many Prisoners. The French are retired from *Pfortzheim*, after having committed there the most barbarous Cruelties.

Marjules, August 10. On the 6th instant arrived here a Vessel, who came with the French Squadron commanded by the Count d'*Estree* as far as the lues of *Heret*, from whence the Men of War are to return to *Toulon*, and the Gallies hither; They have been before *Creant*, and done some damage to that place with their Bombs, but upon the appearance of 17 Spanish Men of War and 3 Fireships on the 29th past, the French retired and stood