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Rome, January 26.

ON Sunday last the Cardinal de *Fouquet* had a long Conference with Cardinal *Spada*, Secretary of State, and afterwards an Audience of the Pope, to receive the dispatch of the Bulls for the relief of the French Kings. The next day a Consistory was held; where *Le Sieur de la Haque*, Archbishop of *Sens*; the Abbot *de St. Denis*, Bishop of *Soissons*; the Abbot *de Luc*, Bishop of *Verdun*; and the Abbot *Hesler*, Bishop of *Nismes*; who had been Preconized in a former Consistory, were confirmed; And 4 French Bishops more, of those that had been admitted at the Assembly of the Clergy in 1681, were reconized; to wit, The Archbishop of *Auch*, and the Bishops of *Touon*, *Vannes*, and *Chivres*. Several Cardinals had endeavoured to persuade the Pope, to stay till the Grant that was sent to *France* with an account of the said Preconization, was come back, and that he had received a Satisfactory answer in the Business of the Regale; but others proposed, That a Clause should be infered in the Bulls for these new Bishops, declaring, That in case they did any thing in the matter of the Regale to the prejudice of the See of *Rome*, they should be deprived of their Bishopricks; But the Pope was resolved to proceed, and that he would rely upon the Promises of the French King to give him Satisfaction therein; and ordered the Grant of the Bulls for the before-mentioned Bishops, with addition of these Words, *Making you Bishop and Pastor, commanding you to observe the Sanction of the Council of Trent, and to abstain from all acts, from whence it may be inferred, that you consent to the Extension of the Regale.* Monsieur *Rabencac*, the French Envoy, had on Thursday a private Audience of the Pope; His demand hither is, to endeavour to give a Jealouise of the German Forces now in Italy to the Pope; that his Master is very desirous to make an Accommodation with the Duke of *Savoy*; and to Pray the Pope to be Mediator of it; But the Pope has directed him to confer with Cardinal *Albano*, and the other Cardinals appointed to examine the Differences with *France*, tell him what he thought this a very difficult work. Monsieur *Rabencac* finding he is not like to succeed in his Negotiation at this Court, intends to go from hence next week for *Vence*. On Monday arrived here an Express from *Paris*, to desire a Dispensation for the Marriage of the Duke of *Chartres* with Mademoiselle de *Blois*, which the Pope ordered to be immediately dispatched, and the Courier was sent back the next day.

Genoa, Jan. 26. On Monday last some Money was sent from hence to *Milan*, being part of the Sum which this Court had agreed for with General *Caraffa*, to be expended in Winter Quarters. The next day arrived here the Governor of *Milan*, who intends to go in a Galley of the Duke of *Tuscany's* Squadron to visit the Garrison of *Final*; where he is likewise to have a Conference with the Duke of *Savoy*.

Torin, Feb. 2. The Duke of *Savoy* having visited the Duke of *Comi*, and given Orders for continuing with the same diligence the new Works that are begun there for the Inspection of the Maistre de Camp, and Engineer *de Comi*, went thence to meet, and confer with, the Marquis *de Leganes*, Governor of *Milan*, and the Count de *Arce*, at *Final*; after which his Royal Highness is returned to *Milan*; and is expected back here the beginning of the next Week. The French are fitting out at *Torin* 2000 Men of War, and as many Gallies, with several Gallies carrying Morars; They have provided a great number of Bombs and Carcasses; and it is said they intend to put 3 or 4000 Land Soldiers on Board; Some think they will engage up in *Final*.

Paris, Feb. 3. The Senate have agreed with the Prince of *Carignano*, and the Baron *Saur*, to raise each 1000 Men for the Service of this State; the first to be here in *April*, the others in *May* at farthest, in order to their being transported to the *Levant*. Here arrived lately 4000. agoons

and 400 Foot from *Dalmatia*, who having performed their Quarantine of 14 days, will march the next Week to *Venezia*, and our other Frontier places where they are to remain in Garrison. The Duke de *Sesto*, General of the Horse in the State of *Milan* is come hither, to hear, as it is believed about some publick Affairs, seeing here is at present no Ambassador residing from *Spain*. The Baron *Vander Lippe*, who lately Commanded the Troops of the Landgrave of *Hesse*, is chosen to be General of the Land Forces of this State, and Count *Wester* to be Sergeant General.

Vienna, Feb. 7. The Elector of *Bavaria* has since his coming hither been at several Councils of War that have been held in the Emperors Presence, and stays to assist at some farther Conferences, at which Prince *Louis* of *Baden* is to be present, who is accordingly sent for, and daily expected from *Bohemia*; After which his Electoral Highness will go for *Flanders*, where he purposes to be by the end of this Month. The Preparations for the War are carried on here with great vigor and Application; Besides the Recruits that are making for the Imperial Forces, several new German Regiments are going to be raised, and 9000 Hungarians; The Emperors Ministers are Negotiating with the Duke of *Hanover* for 8000, and with the Bishop of *Munster* for 4000 Men, to serve the next Campaign in *Hungary*; and we are assured that they have almost brought these Treaties to Perfection. The Marquis de *Fleury* is gone for *Hamburg* to raise Seamen, to serve in the Fleet of Barks and Gallies which he is to Command on the *Danube*.

The Advices from the Blockade of *Great Waradin* assure us, That the Garrison was reduced to extremum Necessities and Miseries; That the last Provisions that remained in the Magazines were distributed among the Soldiers and Inhabitants; That there was a great difference between the new Basha and the Aga of the Janizaries; the first being of opinion that they ought to Surrender the place upon good Conditions, whilst they could obtain them; and the latter obstinately opposing it, and still flattering them with promises of speedy Succor; That the Turks have not of late fired or made any Sallies upon our Men; and that the news of the taking and burning of *Giula* by the Imperial Troops under the Command of General *Aversperg* had much discouraged them. From the Confines of *Croatia* we hear of several little Rencontres, in which our Troops have come off with advantage. And from *Upper Hungary* they write, That one of *Tockely's* Officers was come over to the Imperialists with 60 Heydukes, who have all taken an Oath of Fidelity to the Emperor, and have put themselves into his Service. General *Caraffa* is shortly expected here from *Piedmont*, to give the Emperor a particular account of the State of Affairs on that side; and it is said that General *Caprara* will be sent thither to command the Imperial Forces in his place. In the mean time 4000 Recruits are raising for the said Forces in the Country of *Tyrol*. Our Advices from *Adrianepe* say, That the Turks make great Preparations for the next Campaign; and that the French Ambassador assists constantly at their Deans and Consultations about carrying on the War.

Berlin, Jan. 9. Mr. *Johnson*, Envoy Extraordinary from Their Majesties of *Great Britain* at this Court, being recalled, in order to be employed in some part of Their Majesties Service nearer home, had this day his Audience of Leave of his Electoral Highness of *Brandenburg*, with the usual Ceremonies; and intends to part from hence in few days towards *England*, having preferred to his Electoral Highness, his Secretary Mr. *Stepney*, who is to remain here till farther Order. The Elector of *Saxony* is expected on the 4th instant at *Potsdam*, and there on the 5th publick comes with a Train of 500 Persons, and great Preparations are making for his Reception.

Frankfort, Feb. 13. We have an account from *Hanover* that they had discovered a Conspiracy of some *Hannovers* and *Berliners* that they were to be in the City of the Town had break up; that the said Conspiracy was discovered upon Suspicion, but that the Chief Authors