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Leghorne, November 30.

This week arrived here a French Ship from *Smirna*, which touched at *Foggia*, and there took on board *Ramadan Balla*, Brother to *Mahomet Bey* of *Tunis*, who fled from thence about six months ago upon the defeat of the Bey's Forces by the Algerines, but believing his Affairs were now in a better condition, he was returning home; Being arrived at *Susa*, he was informed that the City of *Tunis* was still besieged, and that the Algerines were very powerful by Sea and Land; and thereupon resolved to proceed to this place; so soon as he arrived he sent to our Great Duke, who returned a kind Answer to his Letter, and promised him his Protection, and sent him a Present of fresh Provisions.

Tunis, Dec. 4. Prince *Eugene* of *Savoy* returned hither on the 4th Instant from *Milan*, after having given the necessary Orders for keeping *Casal* under a very close Blockade this Winter, which 'tis believed will reduce that place to a necessity of Capitulating, the Garrison being already brought under great streights. The Officers of the Duke of *Savoy's* Troops are making their Recruits; and there is a Discourse, that some new Forces are raising for his Royal Highness's Service in *Switzerland*: From whence the Lord Viscount *Galway* is daily expected here: And we hear the Emperor has made him Lieutenant General of his Artillery in these Countreys.

Venice, Dec. 11. The Senate has given out Commissions for raising several new Troops to augment their Army in the *Levant*. The Captain General *Zeno* was by our last Advice still at *Scio*, and in all probability will continue there during the Winter; The loss of this Island has occasioned a great Consideration at *Constantinople*, and to satisfy the People, 'tis given out, that a great Effort will be made to regain the same in the Spring. Signior *Alexandro Molino* is made General of the Venetian Forces in the *Morea* in the room of Signior *Marino Michieli*; The Turks have been very quiet on that side since their late Incurfion towards *Argos*, wherein they did us very little damage, but lost themselves 3 or 400 Men, who were cut off by our Parties.

Vienna, Dec. 11. The Lord *Lexington*, Envoy Extraordinary from His Majesty of *Great-Britain* to the Emperor, is arrived here. Monsieur *Heemsterke*, the Dutch Ambassador, is expected here to morrow: He had his Audience of Leave of the Grand Visier at *Adrianople* with the usual Ceremonies, and parted from thence on the 12th of *March*; He arrived the 7th of *April* following at *Belgrade*, where he was stopt till after the Campaign; The Visier being returned towards *Adrianople* on the 11th of *November*, the Bassa of *Belgrade* sent to invite his

Excellency to a Collation the next day, and to acquaint him that he might proceed on his Journey when he pleased. The 12th his Excellency was Entertained by the Bassa with great Marks of Esteem and Respect, and on the 16th he left that place under a Convoy of 40 Turkish Horfe, and arrived the 18th at *Peter-Waradin*, having at some distance from thence been received by a Party of that Garrison. General *Caprara* is arrived here from *Hungary*; and Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* is shortly expected from *Germany*. The States of the Hereditary Countreys are to raise the Recruits for the Emperors Forces, and to have them complete by the first of *March*. The Turkish Garrison at *Gyula* is reduced to great necessities, and has put out of the place all useles Persons.

Frankfort, Dec. 19. Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* has put off his Journey to *Vienna* till towards the middle of the next month; He has frequent Conferences with the Deputies of the Neighbouring States, to concert with them the Preparations for an early Campaign the next year. All the Advices from *Alsace* say, that the French Troops in those parts are very ill paid. One of the Enemies Parties of 400 Men plundered *Ladenburg* some days ago, and appeared afterwards near *Hydelberg*, but retired so soon as they heard that some of the Confederate Troops quartered in those parts were moving towards them.

Paris, Dec. 20. The Mareschal de *Tourville* arrived here last Saturday from *Toulon*; and most of the General Officers of the Fleet are likewise come hither. Several Frigats are fitting out at *Toulon* who are to cruise in the Channel of *Malta*, and other parts of the *Mediterranean*, for the security of our Merchant Ships, which dare hardly stir in those Seas, especially towards the *Streights* Mouth, for fear of the Enemy who have lately taken 4 very rich Ships belonging to *Marsilles*. The design of fitting out 4 of the French Kings Ships at *Brest* to serve as Privateers, is laid aside; and Orders are sent to *Toulon* to reform 400 of the Marine Guards. They write from *Grenoble*, that the Mareschal de *Catinat* was arrived at *Embrun* with the Principal Officers of the Army, and that he would stay there some time; Twelve Battalions and a Regiment of Dragoons (of the Troops that served this last Campaign in *Piedmont*) are quartered in *Provence* all along the Sea-Coasts, besides the Land-Soldiers belonging to the Fleet. The Intendants of the Provinces meet with great difficulties in settling the Poll Tax; The Nobility are much dissatisfied at its being imposed upon them, and look upon it as an Introduction to their being made subject to the *Taille*, and the depriving them of their Priviledges which exempt them from these Taxes.

Brussels, Dec. 22. The Elector of *Bavaria* goes from hence to morrow to meet the Electores; who will be on Sunday next at *Wesel*, and the Tuesday following at *Guelares*; and a great many Persons

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