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Leghorne, January 31.

WE have an Account from *Provence*, that the French Gallies are making ready at *Marseilles*; and that Orders are come to *Toulon* for fitting out the Men of War; but that they are in such want of Seamen, that they will hardly be able to Man their Ships.

Turin, February 9. They continue to make great Preparations in this Country, as also in the *Milaneze*; and every body believes they are designed for the Siege of *Casal*, which the French seem to be much alarmed at, and they are putting themselves into the best posture they can to succour the place; and to this end, talk of opening a way over the Mountains which are now covered with Snow. Prince *Eugene of Savoy* is shortly expected back from *Vienna*; and we hear that some Regiments are to come this Spring from *Germany*, to make good the place of those that are to be sent from the *Dutchy of Milan*, to strengthen the Spanish Army in *Catalonia*. The *Vaudois* continue to make frequent Incursions into the Enemies Territories, and seldom return without Booty.

Venice, Febr. 11. We are still expecting to hear from the *Levant*, of the issue of the Expedition the Turks were, by our last Advices, preparing for, in order to recover *Scio*. There are Letters from *Constantinople* of the 22th of December, which say, that above three hundred Persons had been put to Death, who were concerned (or at least suspected to be so) in the Tumult at *Adrianople* about the beginning of November, and that they were making search for others who had the good fortune to escape from thence. The same Letters say, the Grand Vizier was at *Adrianople*, and 'twas doubted whether he would Command in Person the Forces that were drawing together about *Smirna* for the design against *Scio*, because he much mistrusted the success of it.

Vienna, February 12. Prince *Lewis of Baden* is come to his House at *Slakwert* in *Bohemia*, where he will stay a few days, and then continue his Journey hither. The Marquis *de Pavella*, Lieutenant-General of the Duke of *Savoy's* Forces, is arrived here from *Piedmont*, and has had several Conferences with the Imperial Ministers about the Affairs of the War. A great many Recruit Horses are come hither from *Bohemia*, and other Parts, which will be sent to *Hungary* for the Service of the Imperial Troops; The Foot Officers are to have their Companies compleat by the beginning of April. General *Veterani* is going about his particular Affairs to *Insprucke*, and intends to be back in a Fortnight or three Weeks. The Letters from *Hungary* tell us, that the Emperors Forces, who had conducted the Turkish Garison

of *Gyula* to the Neighborhood of *Temeswaer*, were returned to their Quarters. The Prince of *Hesse Darmstadt* will part from hence the next Week for *Milan*, to command the Troops which the Emperor has ordered to be sent from *Italy*, to the Assistance of the Spaniards in *Catalonia*.

Hamburg, Febr. 22. The Letters from *Warsaw* of the 5th Instant say, the Diet had not yet made choice of their Marechal or Speaker, and 'twas feared it would break up without doing any thing. The differences between the General of *Lithuania* and the Bishop of *Vilna*, continued in the same state you have had already an account of.

Paris, February 21. The French King has appointed a Review of the Troops of the Household to be at *Compiene* about the end of the next month, but 'tis not yet declared who is to Command the French Army in *Flanders* the next Campaign. They are fitting 3 or 10 Frigats from 30 to 40 Guns each at *Rocheport*, and 5 or 6 in other Ports. The 6 Ships designed for the *East-Indies* will sail about the middle of the next month. Monsieur *Amelot*, the French Ambassador in *Switzerland*, is come hither to look after his private Affairs. They take little notice at this Court of the complaint that has been made by the Venetian Ambassador about their furnishing the Turks with Ammunition; and are now going to send them a farther Supply from *Toulon* and *Marseilles*.

Brussels, February 23. The Preparations are continued for sending 3000 men from hence to *Catalonia*, under the Command of the Count *de Thian*. They write from *Hainault*, that the Deputies of the States of that Province had been at the French Court, to represent their inability to pay the heavy Taxes that are laid upon them, but that they were sent away without being heard. The French have sent a considerable quantity of Hay from *Mabeuge* towards the *Meuse*, to renew the Magazine that was lately burnt at *Namur*. Some days ago, a Spanish Party marched from *Aeth* towards *St. Guislan*, and in the Night burnt a considerable quantity of Hay which the Enemy had laid up there; This place was demolished some time since, but the French built a Redoubt near it, where they keep a Garison of 3 or 400 men, to secure the Communication between *Mons* and *Conde*. The French have begun to Levy the Poll-Tax in their new Conquests. Monsieur *Magalotti* Governor of *Valenciennes*, was taken very ill the last Week with a Fit of an Apoplexy, but is pretty well recovered again.

Hague, Febr. 25. N.S. Yesterday a Trial was made of some Bombs of a new Invention at *Scheveling*, which succeeded very well. The Deputies of the States General continue their Conferences with those of the Admiralties concerning our Sea Preparations.

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