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Genova, April 21. N. S.

ON the 18th Instant departed hence a Genoese Ship for *Final*, to take on Board 800 Foot Soldiers, (who come from *Milan*) and carry them to *Barcelona*; and 'tis said that several other Regiments will be sent thither from the State of *Milan*, to reinforce the Spanish Army in *Catalonia*.

Leghorn, April 22. We have Advice by a Brigantine arrived in this Port from *Malta*, that a French Man of War of 60 Guns, commanded by the Marquis de *Palas*, having met a Dutch Privateer called the *Valkeren*, they engaged, and after exchanging several Broad-sides, the French boarded the Privateer, and soon after both Ships blew up, and all the Men were lost; There were divers Volontiers, and among these several Knights of *Malta* on Board the French Ship. A Bark is arrived here from *Argiers*, the Master whereof says, that the War continued between that Government and the Emperor of *Morocco*, and that the Dey was preparing to go into the Field with a numerous Army. The Algerines have 15 Sail of all sorts now at Sea; some of which appeared the 17th at the *Gorgona*, a small Island 6 Leagues from hence, where they landed Men, and having committed what Spoil they could, brought away several of the Inhabitants.

Milan, April 21. The Marquis de *Leganez*, our Governor, is gone to *Turin*, to confer with the Duke of *Savoy* about the further Measures that are to be taken to oblige the Italian Princes to pay the Arrears of Contributions due to the German Troops that served the last year in *Italy*. The Regiment commanded by the Marquis d'*Ali* is marched to *Final*, where they are to embark for *Catalonia*; and two other Regiments have Orders to follow.

Venice, April 26. A Vessel is arrived here who met near *Corfou* the Convoy that went last from hence; another great Convoy is preparing, and several Companies of new raised Soldiers are come to the *Lido*, and more are daily expected, who are to pass with this Opportunity to the *Levant*.

Vienna, April 27. The Emperor has appointed Prince *Eugene* of *Savoy*, who was General of his Forces in *Italy*, to command the Imperial Army in *Hungary* this Summer under the Elector of *Saxony*; and he intends to part from hence in few days, to Review the Troops in their Quarters, and to hasten their march to the General Rendezvous between *Buda* and *Esseck*; where they are, to be in a Body by the 20th or 24th of the next month. The Advices from the Frontiers say, the Grand Signior is not expected at *Belgrade* till the beginning of *June*, and that the Turkish Troops will Rendezvous about the same time near that place. The Bishop of *Passaw*, the Emperor's Ambassador to the Dyet of *Poland*, has received his Dispatches, and will set out the 29th Instant on his Journey thither.

Francfort, May 5. The Forces on both sides continue to draw together, the Allies near *Hailbronn*, and the French near *Landau*, and by the 20th of this month the Armies may be in a posture to march and enter upon Action. Of the French Troops who have had their Quarters near the *Moselle*, 'tis said, a Body of 12000 are ordered to march towards *Flanders*.

Cologne, May 7. Several *Brandenburg* Regiments passed the *Rhine* yesterday, and the day before, at *Orsoy* and *Rhinbergh*; and others have done the like at *Wesel*; They all march to *Brabant*. The Deputies of the Circle of *Westphalia*, who assembled here, separated yesterday, having adjusted the Matters they met about, with mutual Satisfaction.

Hamburg, May 7. The Letters from *Dantzick* of the first of this month advise, that the Queen Dowager of *Poland* arrived there the day before from *Warsaw*, and was received by the Burghers in Arms. They write from *Warsaw* of the 24th of *April*, that the Primate had held a great Council, in which, after a very warm Debate, 'twas resolved, that a new Commission should be given to the Crown General to endeavour to disperse the Confederated Forces, and if he found it necessary to make use of Force, and call the Gentry to his assistance. The Abbot de *Chasteauneuf* was arrived at *Warsaw*, being sent by the French King to assist his Ambassador the Abbot de *Polignac*, in promoting the Interests of the Prince of *Conti*. The Provincial Dyets begun to meet to choose their Deputies for the General Dyet, which is to be held at *Warsaw* the 15th of this month to choose a King; and the Gentlemen are putting themselves in readiness to appear on Horseback at the same time.

Paris, May 6. The Mareschal de *Villeroi* and Mareschal *Catinat*, are gone for *Flanders*, and are to meet Mareschal *Boufflers* and Monsieur *Vauban* at *Valenciennes*, and confer together about the Affairs of the Campaign. The Mareschal de *Choiseul* is on his Journey to *Germany*, and 'tis said the Army he is to command, will be at their Rendezvous by the 16th of this month. The Mareschals *d'Estree*, *Joyeuse*, and *Tourville*, are gone to their Stations on the Sea Coasts, to command there as they did the last year. The Duke de *Vendosme*, with his Brother the Great Prior, will set out the 8th of this month for *Catalonia*. The Marquis de *Nesmonds* sailed with his Squadron from *Bress* the 29th past; and the Ships under Monsieur *Magnan* are likewise gone to Sea from *Rochefort*; 'Tis not said whether they are bound. The French Court is gone to *Marli*, and at their return from thence will go into Mourning for the Death of the King of *Sueden*. 'Tis certain, that the Ships commanded by the Sieur de *Genes*, which are returned from their Expedition in the *West-Indies*, have lost greatest part of their Men, and many Officers, and did not take one Prize.

Brussels, May 8. The Elector of *Bavaria* is recovered of the Indisposition which occasioned his going the last week from the Army to *Ghent*.