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Lyme, Feb. 27.

ON Wednesday night last, came on shoar upon the Beach of *Sidmouth* (a Creek four miles to the westward of this Port) a Danish vessel of 80 Tuns, laden at *Bergen* in *Norway* with Tarre, Deals and other Commodities intended for *Re-chelle*, but the men saved themselves and some of the lading with their Rigging.

Several ships of this place went yesterday out of this Road laden with Drapery for *Morlaix* and other parts of *France*, but the wind proving contrary, obliged them to put back again.

Lisbonne, Jan. 26. The Pope having been pleased to direct his Commission or Brief to five Prelates, authorising them to enquire into the Nullity of the former marriage of the Princess, the Dispensation granted by the Cardinal de *Vendosme*, with the desire of the *Cortes* for the second marriage as of indispensable necessity for the welfare of this Kingdom, the Celebration thereof in due form and its Consummation with the hopes of a speedy succession, have accordingly examined the particulars, in which being fully and sufficiently satisfied, they this day, as empowered thereunto by his Holiness, gave a full, absolute, and entire Ratification of the said Marriage.

The 20th instant arrived here a French man-of War with the Equipage for the Embassy of Monsieur de *St. Romain*, with his Commission to stand as Godfather in the room of the most Christian King his Master at the Baptisme of the young Princess, which is to be performed with much solemnity the 20th of the next month, till which solemnity Monsieur de *St. Romain* intends not to appear under his publick Character, and in testimony of the joy of this Court upon the Birth of the young Princess, the Prince has been pleased to order an extraordinary *Foco de Canos* to be performed about the midst of *April* next by 12 Squadrons of his principal Nobility, distinguished by their several Colours and Liveries which they have taken by lot, each Squadron to consist of eight persons, whereof the First to be led by the Prince himself.

Rome, Feb. 9. Yesterday the Cardinal *Landgrave* came with an extraordinary Train to his Audience, in which in the name of his Imperial Majesty, he acquainted the Pope with the news of the happy delivery of the Empress of a Daughter, which has been received with all the usual demonstrations of joy by all such as have dependences upon, or any kindness for the Austrian Family; the Swiss Ambassadors especially having for two nights made Bonfires at the gates of their Pallace, and exposed Lights at their windows. The Pope honouring them with his Order of Knighthood, was pleased in the Ceremony as a farther addition of his favour, himself to put on their chains of Gold; ordering the Captain of his Guards, a person of their own Countrey, to gird them with their Swords; they have both received and returned their visits to all the Grandees according to custom, excepting only that they thought not fit to give the Ceremony of a visit to the Queen of Sweden, she having refused them a Treatment equal to the Ambassadors of *Tuscany* and *Savoy*, and particularly the privilege of being covered in her presence.

The Pope finding it to be a matter of much difficulty for himself to take cognisance of all affairs which are usually brought before him in publick Audiences, is desirous the establishment of a Congregation of some of his principal

Cardinals to hear and determine the most important affairs without respect of persons.

The Pope still continues his zeal for the relief of *Candia*, and has engaged his Clergy to maintain four thousand men upon their expences for the assistance of the Republick of *Venice* so long as the War shall continue: *Don Vincenzo Rospiogliosi* is ordered to have his Squadron of Gallies in readiness to put to sea to assist the Venetian Armata for this next Summer, obliging him by his instructions how to demean himself with the Venetian Admirals, and expressly commanding him not to return from that service till he shall be so ordered either by the Pope himself or the Republick of *Venice*; and has ordered one of his Prelates to go on board with him and to advise with him in all affairs of concernment.

The Cardinal *Donghi* is lately fallen desperately ill with little hopes of Recovery.

The Pope was lately pleased in a full Consistory to dismiss one of his Secretaries whom he had found to have rashly revealed some of his secrets, and has sent to his Treasurer to be ready to give an account when he shall be required, of the management of his employment.

Vienna, Feb. 16. The Venetian Ambassadour having desired the Emperours leave to raise 3000 men in his Hereditary Countries for the service of the Republick in their Wars with the Turks; he was pleased not only to give him free liberty, but to promise him farther assistances.

From *Hungary* we are informed, that the 23th past the Visier of *Newbausel* being abroad with a Party of 800 Horse came within a league of *Nitra*, and afterwards passing into the Territories of the Archbishop of *Strigonium*, sent for the Judge of those parts, whom he caused to be immediately beheaded, without declaring the reason; ordering the like execution to be done upon the Sieur *Dolinei* Regent of *Belehet*, and afterwards plundered the Fair at *Sauboricht*.

The Visier of *Buda* has lately sent one of his Officers with a party of 500 Horse, to demand of the Prince of *Transylvania* the Delivery of three Towns in his possession in the *Upper Hungary*, which he pretends to be Dependencies upon *Great Waradin*; in case of refusal threatening to reduce them by force.

The People of *Upper Hungary*, though much injured by the Turks, and liable to all their disorders, will not yet be perswaded to entertain the Emperours Regiments for their security; whereupon his Imperial Majesty has ordered the principal Nobility of *Hungary* to repair to *Vienna*, to confer with him about the best means of securing the peace of that Kingdom, and settling all their Concernments to their satisfaction; the better to provide for their timely defence, in case the Turks should have any design to attempt upon them.

Vienna, Feb. 22. On Saturday last arrived here the Count *Serini* Vice-Roy of *Croatia*, and the next day divers of the Nobility of *Hungary*, with whom his Imperial Majesty has had several Conferences towards the settling of the affairs of that Kingdom, in relation to the Homage which the Turks require in *Lower Hungary*, and their pretensions to several places in the *Upper Hungary*, and 'tis believed something will be resolved about the Election of a Palatine.

Dantzic, Feb. 23. The Land-day, or preparatory Convention held at *schrodaf* Great Poland is broken up in discontent, but they have determined to call another Assembly there upon the 4th of *March*. That for *Riesland* has

has had no better success but we hear not yet that they have appointed another: the Assembly for Prussia still continues at *Grandenitz*, but the issue of it is yet uncertain.

From *Ukrania* we are told, that the Cossacks have left the Tatars, and are joyned with the Muscovites their enemies.

Some of our soldiers under the command of the Sieur *Cornars*, being dissatisfied with the Bishop of *Cracovy* about the assignme^t of their winter Quarters, lately quarrelled with some of his servants, and coming to blows, several have been killed on each side and many wounded.

Venice, Feb. 23. The Convey which sailed hence on Saturday last, has hitherto had a prosperous Wind, with them are sent some hundreds of slaves to be employed aboard our Gallies, and some Companies of Foot for the re-inforcement of the Garrison in *Candia*; Segnior *Fu-
anne Morosini* who commands them, is to enter upon the Charge of Provéditeur to the Armies, in the room of Segnior *Lorenzo Cornaro*, who is recalled to assist in the Council.

On Sunday arrived here a Gally from *Dalmatia*, confirming to us the late defeat of a party of 500 Turks; and further telling us, that the Enemy is making several Magazines; whereof one at *Uino*, in which they lay up large quantities of all sorts of provisions capable to serve a great Army, which the Grand Segnior intends to employ in these parts; particularly designing to lay siege to *Cattaro*, which is now well fortified and furnished with great Guns and all other Necessaries for its defence, and the people well provided with Arms as well as courage and resolution to oppose them to the utmost. The people have every where withdrawn their Goods and Cattle out of the Villages into the strong Towns: so that the Turks have little encouragement to make any incursions, where they are not like to get any thing but blows. In the mean time the Morlacks in several parties have entered the Turkish quarters, and frequently return with many heads of Cattle and other booty.

Here is newly come in a ship in eight days from *Smirna*, the Master of her informing us, that at his departure thence there arrived two of the Ottoman Gallies from *Canea* with several wounded Turks, some of them persons of Quality, who affirmed that the Venetians in *Candia* had by the spilling of their Mines, and a strong Sally killed between 4 and 500 Turks, and might have done much more execution, had they not been ordered to retreat by their Commanders, and that some thousands of the Janisaries lying ready to embark at *Selo* upon 6 men of war of *Tripoly* and 16 Beiler Gallies which there attended them; upon the news of the success of this Sally made by the Venetians at *Candia* fell into a mutiny, in which they killed their Commanders, and were pressing the ships to carry them back again to *Constantinople*. He farther tells us, that he met in the *Archipelago* with our Admiral *Morosini*, with a Squadron of 27 ships, and with him the Noble *Nicolo Zine*, who was scouring those seas and attending the motion of such succors as were intended to be sent from *Alexandria*, *Soria*, and other parts for the recruit of the Visiers Army.

Notwithstanding the success of the late Sally, the Turks are said to be again returned to their Posts, and continue to press the Town as much as formerly.

On Saturday last the Council ordered an Extraordinary Courrier to be sent into *France*, to know His Most Christian Majesties final and full resolution what succors he will be pleased to send for our assistance, and to desire that all possible diligence may be used in hastning them to that work, that they may arrive timely for the preservation of the place.

Nancy, Feb. 24. The French forces being now withdrawn from *Pont-a-Mousson*, and the Marshal de *Crequy* returned for *Paris*, all things are here in a quiet and peaceable posture, and the Court intent upon what shall be agreed upon by the Deputies assembled at *Weissembourg* for the final determination of all disputes between the Duke of *Lorraine* and the Prince Elector Palatine, who have frequent conferences upon that subject.

Hague, Mart. 7. The next week the States of *Holland* are to be again assembled, when a fit person may be made choice of to be sent Ambassador to the Court of *France*.

The Envoye from the Bishop of *Munster* has lately made his complaints of the report which was generally spread about these Countreys that his Master was arming and raising forces, protesting that he is so far from all thoughts of war, that to give the States a greater testimony of his peaceable inclinations, and resolution to observe the Articles of peace between them, he has lately dismissed a considerable part of his forces.

Brussels, Mart. 8. On Saturday last the French Envoy departed hence well satisfied with his Reception and Entertainment, but more with the inclination which he found in the Constable of *Castile* to give him satisfaction in the affairs about which he was employed hither: his Excellency having been pleased particularly upon his request to release those Vessels of Coal which were seized at *Conde* on their passage for *Tournay*.

Yesterday his Excellency began to muster the forces which are quartered in the Province of *Erabant*, ordering them their pay according to his former Regulation.

Monsieur de *Louvigny* continues yet in *Burgundy*, where are arrived the Officers lately sent from hence, who may in few dayes be settled in their respective Commands and Emploiments.

The Count *Marcin* perceiving that there is not like to be much action in these parts this Summer, all things being at present disposed for peace, has by a late Courier sent his Letters to *Madrid*, humbly desiring that since his presence here may without prejudice to these Countreys be dispensed with, Her Majesty would be pleased to give him leave to serve the Republick of *Venice* in the defence of the Kingdom of *Candia*, with such of her forces as are to be sent out of *Spain* and *Italy* for that service.

A Courier arriving yesterday from *Spain*, informs us, that Don *Juan of Austria* was arrived the 20th past at *Guadalajara* about 10 leagues from *Madrid*, with a Train of his own servants and followers of about 500 persons, of which the Queen having notice, immediately sent the Master of her Household to confer with him, who is not yet fully satisfied of the intentions of the Court towards him, the Confessor continuing still his Authority.

Paris, March 9. On Wednesday last His Majesty ordered a Camp to be formed near St. *Germain* for his forces, where they are for some dayes to exercise.

The Duke de *Beaufort* is gone for *Thoulon* to order the Imbarcation of the forces designed for the succors of *Candia* as fast as they can arrive; but 'tis not believed they can be ready to sail before the beginning of *May*, the soldiers having 27 dayes allowed them for their march from these parts, and 17 more for their rest before they shall be sent on board.

On Sunday last the Count de *Harach* had his first Audience from the King and Queen, and was received with much shew of kindness. He has brought rich Presents for the Duke of *Anjou*.

The Marquis de *Vivonne* has lately bought the Charge of General of the Gallies of the Marshal de *Crequy*, and has parted with his of Chief Gen leman of the Chamber to the Duke d'*Aumont*, whose Office of Captain of the Guards is conferred on the Marquis de *Rochefort*, Monsieur *Colbert* besides his Employment as Secretary, has also undertaken the Charge of Sea affairs, and that of Great Master of the Artillery.

Yesterday arrived a Courier from *Spain*, informing His Majesty that the King of *Spain* was lately fallen into a feavourish distemper, for which he had been let blood in the foot, which had much moderated his feavour.

Plymouth, Feb. 28. Yesterday were put in here by contrary winds two ships from *London* bound for *Cadix*, and this day the *Fohn* and *Margaret* of the same place, intended for the *East-Indies*, and one ship of *Bristol* from *Amsterdam* bound for *Rochele*. This day arrived here two ships of this place, one from *Gallipoli*, and the other from *Cadix*.