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Messina, Octob. 6. N. S.

**T**HE Duke of Turfis, with a Squadron of Gallies under his Command, failed out of this Port the first Instant, in order to return to Naples. The Sicilian Galley of London, Captain George Bayly Commander, failed this day through the Faro, being bound home from Gallipoli. The Caesar, Captain Andrew Seale, who is now in this Port, will depart to-morrow for Scanderoon.

*Rome, Novemb. 1.* The Office of Chamberlain to the Pope, vacant by the Death of the late Cardinal Altieri, which is one of the most considerable at this Court, is given to Cardinal Spinola St. Cesareo, upon whose Promotion Cardinal Dada is made Legate of Bollonia, and in his Room Cardinal Astelli is appointed to be Legate of Ferrara. Signior Ursini, Auditore de Rota to the Pope, died yesterday, which Place is given to Signior Giacometri. Signior Bussi is gone from hence for Brussels with the Character of Inter-nuncio. The Marquis of Lenoncourt arrived here this week from Lorrain, being to reside at this Court as Envoy from the Duke of Lorrain. The Differences between the Emperor and the Pope touching the Imperial Fiefs within the Ecclesiastical State are not yet adjusted, and in the mean time the Pope has refused to give Audience to Count Martinitz the Imperial Ambassador; But 'tis hoped this Dispute will shortly be ended by Cardinal Grimani, whom the Pope has sent to Vienna to negotiate an Accommodation with that Court.

*Venice, Nov. 7.* The Advices we have had by several Ships lately arrived here from the Levant, of an Engagement between the Venetian and Turkish Fleets, are confirmed by the Letters from Messina, Naples, and other Parts, which all agree that the Advantage was on our side, but give no particular Account of the Action, which we must therefore expect by Letters directly from our Fleet. The Count of Betancourt, General of the Venetian Horse in Dalmatia, arrived here last week from Spalato with Letters from Proveditor-General Mocenigo, by which we have the following Particulars of the Incurfion which the Turks lately made in that Province; That the Bassa of Bosnia, with a considerable Body of the Enemy, having made himself Master of a Bridge on the River Cettina, in the way to the Fortrefs of Singh, he afterwards attacked a small Fort situate in an Island in the same River, the Garison whereof made a very good Defence; And in the mean time General Mocenigo having drawn together the Venetian Forces on that Frontier, marched against the Enemy; but finding they much exceeded him in Number, he thought it not proper to Engage them, but posted his Forces in such

manner, that the Turks could not proceed further without forcing his Camp, which the Bassa not being in a Condition to attempt, he detached some Horse with a Design to draw General Mocenigo to a Fight, but the Venetians kept within their Retrenchments; and the Bassa seeing there was nothing more to be done, repassed the River Cettina, and caused three of the Arches of the Bridge to be broke down, and so retired. Signior Bellarini, Great Chancellor of this Republick, died on Saturday last, and is to be Interred this evening with great Pomp and Solemnity. On Sunday last the Great Council met, to make Choice of one to succeed him in this Office, for which there were several Candidates, it being the highest Preferment any Citizen here can attain to; and at last the Election fell upon Signior Businello, at present Resident from the Republick at Milan, and one of the Secretaries to the Council of Ten, which last Place is given to Signior Vinola.

*Vienna, Nov. 14.* The last Letters from the Congress at Carlowitz give an Account, That the Difference between the Ambassadors of Poland and Muscovy about Precedency being quite removed, and several Regulations agreed on in order to prevent the like Disputes for the future, the several Ministers had made the usual Visits. The Imperial Ambassadors, attended by a great number of their Gentlemen and Servants, made the first Visit to the Mediators, and the same was returned by them, the Imperial Ambassadors being met together in Count Otting's Tent to receive them. The like has been done by the rest of the Ambassadors, so that the Ceremonial Part being over, they are now ready to enter upon Business, and accordingly we expect to hear by our next Letters, that the Conferences are begun. In the mean time we are assured, that as well the Turks as the Allies continue in a good Disposition towards putting an end to the Miseries occasioned by so long and expensive a War. The Turkish Forces were still encamped near Semendria, but were preparing for their march to Winter-Quarters. Prince Eugene of Savoy, with the Forces under his Command, continues in his Camp near Arat, and had given Orders to hasten the finishing of the new Fortifications along the Theyffe, intending, as soon as they are ready, to place part of his Troops in those Forts, and put the rest into Winter-Quarters. The Body of Forces commanded by Count Guido of Staremberg were come to Caloush, in order to march likewise to their Winter-Quarters.

*Nancy, Novemb. 12.* The Duke and Dutchesse of Lorrain arrived the 8th Instant from Barr, at Jauville, a Town about a League distant from hence; and on the 10th they made their publick Entry into this City in a very solemn manner, being attended by the Clergy, the several Courts of Justice and the Magistrates all in their Formalities.