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AT the Court at St. James's the 31st Day of March, 1718.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty having appointed the Right Honourable Charles Earl of Carlisle, Constable of the Tower of London, to be Lord Lieutenant of the Tower-Hamlets, his Lordship took the Oaths appointed to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

The Right Honourable James Lord Viscount Stanhope was also by His Majesty's Command sworn one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

The Right Honourable Richard Hampden, Esq; was sworn one of the Lords of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

St. James's, March 30. The following Address having been transmitted from Ireland, was presented to His Majesty by his Grace the Duke of Bolton, Lord Lieutenant of that Kingdom.

The humble Address of the present Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, Common Council, Citizens and Free-holders of His Majesty's City of Kilkenny in the Kingdom of Ireland, at a General Assembly held in the Tholiel of the said City the 11th of February, 1717.

Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

Madrid, March 21. The King having resolved that no Person shall enjoy more than one Office in his Service, Notice has been given to the Duke d'Arco, who is Master of the Horse, Chief Huntsman and Gentleman of the Bed-Chamber, the Marquis de Montalegre Lord Chamberlain and Captain of the Guard of Halbardiers, the Marquis de St. Juan, Steward of the Household and Master of the Horse to the Queen, and one of the Council of the Hazienda, the Marquis of Bedmar Minister of War and President of the Council of the Orders, and to several others who are in the like Case, to chuse which of their Employments they will keep; to which they have all replied, that they shall make no Choice, but will be determined by what His Majesty shall think fit to appoint. The like Orders are given in the Army, where those who receive Pay as General Officers and have Collonels Commissions besides, are obliged to part with their Regiments. An Apartment is preparing in the Imperial College of the Jesuits for the Marquis de Nancré, who is daily expected from Paris, and is said to bring some Proposals for an Accommodation between this Court and that of Vienna. The States of Biscay have submitted to the Establishment of Custom Houses in their Ports; but complain of the quartering of Troops in several Towns in that Province, an Exemption from which they pretend to be one of their ancient Privileges, and they have appointed two Deputies to come

hitherto with a Representation of their Grievances. Transport Ships are getting ready in the several Ports of Valencia and Catalonia to carry off the Remainder of the Forces quartered in those Provinces that are designed for Sardinia.

Genoa, March 22. Don Carlo Grillo, a Flag-Officer in the Spanish Service, has lately left this Place in order to return to Madrid; he has bought here for the King his Master a Ship of 70 Guns, which is fitting out to Sea with all Expedition. The Spaniards are erecting a Magazine of Stores of War at Longone. The Imperialists on the other Hand are putting several Places along the Coast of Tuscany in a Posture of Defence. They write from Barcelona, that a considerable Number of Ships were hired there and in the neighbouring Ports to transport the last of their Forces for Sardinia, which would be ready to embark by the End of the next Month, and would make the Spanish Army in that Island above 20000 strong.

Venice, March 25. Signiors David and Paul Spinelli, two Genoese Gentlemen, were upon their Petition admitted this Week by the Grand Council into the Order of the Nobility of this Republick, having purchased that Honour for an Hundred Thousand Ducats. The Senate have chosen Signior Giovanni Morosini, who has distinguished himself in their Service at Sea, to be a Flag Officer in their Fleet. A second Rate Man of War was launched in our Arsenal last Week, and named the Swan. Three Ships more of the first Rate, and four of the third, that have been refitting here, will be ready to sail in a few Days to join our Fleet; which by our last Letters from Corfu was in a Readiness to put to Sea. These Advices add, that a large Body of Turks had appeared in the Neighbourhood of Vonizza and Preveza, but being charged by our Troops retired with Loss; and that so good a Disposition is made for the maintaining of our Posts on that Side, that there is no Apprehension of any further Attempts from the Enemy.

Vienna, March 27. General Virmond, whom the Emperour has appointed his first Plenipotentiary to treat of a Peace with the Turks, arrived here Yesterday to receive his Instructions, and will in a few Days set out on his Journey to Hungary. Sir Robert Sutton, His Majesty of Great Britain's Ambassador and Plenipotentiary as Mediator of that Treaty, is likewise on his Departure thither. However, the Preparations for an early Campaign are carrying on with the utmost Application, and Recruits and Supplies of Ammunition and other Warlike Stores are daily sent from these Parts by Water to our Army in Hungary; since the Thaw has restored the Navigation of that River. Letters from thence give an Account, that a Body of Turks and Tartars was drawing together near Widin, and were making a Bridge there over the Danube, with Intent to beat up the Quarters of our Troops in Wallachia, and if they succeeded to proceed from thence into Transylvania; but that our Generals