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Whitehall, September 23.

His Majesty hath been pleased to issue His Royal Proclamation on the 22 instant, for the farther proroging of the Parliament, from the 16 of April next ensuing, till the 30 of October following, which will be in the Year 1672, whereof the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and all others whom it may concern, are to take notice and order their affairs accordingly.

Warsaw, September 6. The Archbishop of *Gacina* is at present here incognito, having had several conferences with the Imperial Envoy resident in this place, concerning the present posture of affairs, in what relates as well to this Kingdom, as to his Imperial Majesty's Hereditary Countries and the whole Empire, who cannot but be equally concerned at the great strength the Grand Signior seems to be gathering against the next Spring, very probably not without a design of attempting somewhat considerable.

From the *Ukraine* our Letters tell us, that the two Generals of this Kingdom were joyned, with intention to go and relieve *Barr*, which is at present besieged by the Cossacks, under the Command of *Dorosensko*; that the advice they had of *Hanen* is the other General of the Cossacks having treated with *Dorosensko* in order to an agreement with him, to the prejudice of this Crown, proves groundless, and to have been invented by some who wished him no better then they did these Countries, when they endeavored by those reports, to occasion a jealousy and misunderstanding between them; They farther write, that the Great Cham of *Tartary* hath declared his intentions to be far from assisting the Cossacks, but that he will in all things maintain a perfect Friendship and good Correspondency with this Crown.

The Nobility of *Great Poland* move very slowly, pretending that the necessity for their marching towards the *Ukraine*, is not so urgent as was at first thought, which keeps the King unresolved what way to take; till he sees what they will first do.

Leghorne, Sept. 7. The fourth instant departed hence, the *Falcon* Frigate with five *Smirna* ships, the *Guiny* Frigate and a Dutch Merchant-man under her Convoy for *England*. The fifth came hither from *Florence* the Duke of *Mantoua*, together with the Dutchess Dowager his Mother, to visit this place; where having been received and treated, with all the respect and honor due to their great quality, they Yesterday departed again for *Lucca* with intentions, to see that and several other places in *Italy*.

Diuto, Sept. 14. The ninth instant sailed out of this Port the *Hampshire* Frigate, with the *Owen* and *David* Merchant-men for *Zant*. The tenth imported the *Jerusalem*, a French ship from *Smirna* and *Messina*; The Master reports, that at his coming away from that Port, the *Scanderone* ships were entering in. The eleventh arrived the *Sommer-Island* Merchant man in fourteen days from Port *Mahon*, where he left Sr. *Edward Spragg*, carrying with

one other Frigate, five other Fregats being then before *Aegiers*. They arrived the *Boston* Merchant from *Messina*, two Ships are now coming in from the East, supposed to be the *Princess* Frigate, and the *Viner* from *Messina*.

Rome, September 8. The Spanish Ambassador here, having with much heat endeavored to divert his Holiness intentions of making two Cardinals, of which the Bishop of *Lagon* to be one, at the recommendation of his most Christian Majesty, and findings that notwithstanding all his instances, the Pope had proceeded to the last promotion, desired Audience of his Holiness, in which he said, the said Ambassador having too freely and without some passion expressed his resentment, the Pope seemed to be much dissatisfied with him; and as we are told, had afterwards directed the Cardinal Patron, to dispatch immediately a Courier to the Court at *Madrid*, to inform the Queen Regent with what had passed, to complain of the carriage of her Ambassador in this particular, and to desire he might be recalled from his employment here.

In the mean time we are told, that what hath farther offended his Holiness is, that the Vice Roy of *Naples* Don *Pedro d' Aragona*, had as is thought, at the desire of the Spanish Ambassador, written to all the Cardinals which are born Subjects to the Crown of *Spain*, notwithstanding they be *Italian*, and not of their Faction, that in case of this promotion they should all retire from *Rome*; how this matter may be accommodated, we impatiently expect to hear; in the interim as well that Ambassador as the Vice Roy of *Naples* have sent several expresses to *Madrid*, with a large account of their proceedings herein.

Signior *Durazzo* is at length recalled home again; the Duke of *Savoie*, to whom he was intended Nuncio from hence, having still notwithstanding all the endeavors to the contrary, persisted in his refusal of admitting him in that quality at his Court; the said Signior *Durazzo* hath been since made Governor of the Town and Chappel of *Lorretto*, with a larger and more honourable Commission then hath been heretofore granted. Signior *Nerli* hath likewise directions to return hither, his most Christian Majesty, continuing his unwillingness to have him as Nuncio at his Court, whither he was designed. The Cardinal *Ludoviso* hath been very ill, as we likewise hear the Cardinal *de Medicis* Uncle to the great Duke of *Tuscany* is at *Florence*.

Vienna, September 12. We have advice by an Express arrived here some days since, that Monsieur *Peru* the Imperial Envoy had been taken extremely ill at *Filippoli* of a violent Fever, which increased upon him to that height, that in few days he dyed of it, which hath greatly afflicted this Court, who much lament his loss, especially in the present Conjunction of affairs; By the same Express we are farther told, of a great Incurfion of the Persians into the Ottoman Territories near *Megra*, which place they had made themselves Masters of, and seized on the vast Treasure that was said to have been kept there; upon which, the Grand Signior had ordered