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Moscow, February 1, O. S.

**T**HE 26th of last Month the three Chinese Ambassadors had their Audiences of her Czarish Majesty. M. Zybin, President of the College of the Mines officiating as Introducer of Ambassadors, went with seven Coaches and six Horses, attended by two Detachments of the Horse Grenadier Guards, to the House for the Entertainment of Ambassadors, to receive and conduct them to the Palace of her Czarish Majesty; and about Eleven a Clock they came to the Kremelin, or the Court of the Palace, where the two Regiments of Guards of Preobrazenski and Simeneofski were drawn up under Arms in two Lines, through which the Ambassadors, with all their Retinue, passed, and alighted out of the Coaches at the Palace Gate. M. Chapelloff, Under Marshall of the Court, accompanied by four Gentlemen, received the Ambassadors at the Foot of the Stairs, and attended them to the third Hall, which leads to that where they were to have their Audience. At their coming to the Door of the Hall of Audience two Gentlemen of her Majesty's Bed-Chamber, and a Lieutenant of the Chevalier-Guards that were likewise under Arms, received the Ambassadors and attended them to the first Balister of the Hall in the following Order. The three Ambassadors from the Emperour of China, preceded six others who are come from different Princes of Tartary and the Black Calmoucks, about six Paces, and the Chief of the three Chinese walked in the Middle and carried the Letter from the Emperour his Master, wrapt up in Gold Cloth, and delivered it to the Grand Chancellour, who laid it upon the Table placed at the Foot of the Throne. At the Ambassadors entering the first Balister, they fell upon their Knees, and prostrated themselves three several Times, bowing their Heads to the Ground, and then rose up. When they advanced within 12 Paces of the Throne, which was raised with six Steps, they fell a second Time upon their Knees, and then rising up, he that was charged with the Letter, spoke in the Name of the rest, and made a short Compliment to her Czarish Majesty, which being explained by the Interpreter, the Grand Chancellour returned an Answer to it. The Ambassadors kneeling and prostrating themselves a third Time, took their

Leave of her Majesty, and were reconducted in the same Order they came to the Palace, and were entertained at a splendid Dinner by the Officers of her Majesty's Household. Her Czarish Majesty sat upon the Throne under a very rich Canopy, and all the Lords and Ladies of the Court, being richly dressed, made a very fine Appearance. The 28th being her Majesty's Birth Day, all the Nobility and Foreign Ministers appeared at Court in the Morning to compliment her Majesty on that Occasion. The Chinese Ambassadors were also there, and had the Honour to dine in the same Room with her Majesty and the Foreign Ministers. At Night there was a Ball, and a fine Firework played off. That Day her Majesty gave the Great Master of her Household General Soltikoff, her Relation, 800 Families of Peasants; and gave Leave for M. Narreskin to return from his Exile.

Moscow, Feb. 8. The 3d Instant being her Majesty's Name Day, there were, as usual, great Rejoycings at Court. On that Day her Majesty was pleased to appoint two of the deceased Felt Marshal Galitzin's Sons to be Officers in the Preobrazensky and Simeneofsky's Regiments of Guards. M. Von Bracklin, who arrived here some Days ago, has been declared a Privy Coucellour, and it is thought he will be sent Ambassador Extraordinary to Copenhagen, to compliment the King of Denmark on his Accession to the Throne.

Hague, March 20, N. S. There is Advice, that the Duke of Wolfenbittel is very ill, and out of Hopes of Recovery; as also, that the Countess of Hanau of the House of Anspach is dead. The States of Holland, who separated on Saturday last, after they had disposed of their vacant Offices Civil and Military, are expected again this Day, to meet to Morrow. It being rumoured that those States have Thoughts of borrowing provisionally three of the six Millions intended to be raised in case of Need, that Sum is already subscribed at the House of the Receiver General of the Province, though the final Resolution is not yet taken. The Commissioners of the Admiralties are returned to their respective Colleges; and no other Orders appear to be issued out, but for dispatching three Men of War intended to joyn the three others that are already in the Straights. Captain Schryver is to command the said three Men of War, and is to carry

