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Rome, July 30, N. S.

THE two Factions of Corsini and Albani persist in their Opposition to each other in the Conclave, which still retards the Election of a Pope. For several Days Cardinal Aldovrandi has had from 30 to 32 Votes, so that in all Likelihood the Election will at last fall upon him; yet some Cardinals have made a Protest, that they will not submit to it even though he should have a Majority. A Report having been spread about this City, that the two Venetian Cardinals Rezzoni and Querini were very active against Cardinal Aldovrandi, on Account of some political Reasons of their Republick, the Venetian Ambassador had a long Conference on the 26th Instant with those two Cardinals, and declared to them that the Republick had no Exceptions to any of the Cardinals. On the 27th the French Ambassador had a Conference at the Gates of the Conclave with the French Cardinals. The same Day a Courier passed through this City with Dispatches from the Court of Naples to that of France, notifying the Porte's Ratification of the Treaty of Commerce lately concluded by the Grand Signior with the King of the two Sicilies. Letters from Naples give an Account, that there have been great Motions among the Troops; most of the Garrisons in that Kingdom, as well as those on the Frontiers of Tuscany, having been changed; not only for preventing the late great Desertion of their Soldiers, but for putting those Garrisons into a good State of Defence.

Leghorn, Aug. 5. This Morning the Seamen of the Great Duke's Gallies passed in Review before their Officers, in order to the fitting out those Gallies for a Cruize, and to conduct to Porto Ferraio the Inspector of the Tuscan Troops, and M. Warren Colonel of the Artillery, to view the Fortresses on that Side.

St. James's, August 14.

This Day M. Wafner, Councillor to, and Minister from the Emperor, had a private Audience of Leave of their Royal Highnesses the Princesses Amelia, Caroline,

and Louisa; to which he was introduced by Sir Clement Cottrell, Kt. Master of the Ceremonies.

Admiralty Office, August 1, 1740.

His Majesty having been graciously pleased, by his Warrant under his Royal Sign Manual, dated the 10th of June, 1733, to establish certain Rules and Orders for the better Government of the Charity for the Relief of poor Widows of Commission and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy: These are to give Notice to all such Widows whose Husbands died on or since the 30th of August 1732, that Copies of the said Rules and Orders are lodged with the Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy at Chatham, Portsmouth, and Plymouth; as also with the Clerks of the Chancery at Deptford, Woolwich, and Sheerness; and with the Naval Officers at Harwich, Deal, and Kinsale; where they may be informed of all Particulars which entitle them to the Benefit of the said Charity, and receive the proper Certificates for that Purpose. But such Widows as live at too great a Distance from the Places above-mentioned, may apply by Letter to Thomas Corbett, Esq; at the Admiralty Office, who will send them all necessary Information. And the Governors of the said Charity intending to distribute to the Widows of such Sea Officers who died before the 30th of August 1732, and whose Circumstances come within the Rules of the Establishment, their Share of the Bounty granted by Parliament; these are to give Notice of the same to all such Widows, that they may procure the proper Certificates and Affidavits, and send or bring them hither. And the Court of Assistants do hereby give Notice, that they will meet at this Office on Tuesday the 16th of September next, at Eight o'Clock in the Morning, to receive the Claims of such Widows as shall be qualified according to the said Rules and Orders.

General Post Office, March 14, 1739.

Whereas the Post-Boy, who was carrying the Worcester Mail from London to Southall, was set upon this Morning about Four of the Clock, between Audley-street End and Tyburn Turnpike, by Two Footpads, one of which was a lusty Man, in a white Cape Coat, who presented a Pistol to the said Boy, and demanding the Oxford Bag, led him into a Field against Audley-street End, opened the Mail, and took thereout the Worcester and Oxford Bags; the Worcester Bag containing the Ludlow, Tenbury, and Bromyard Letters; the Oxford Bag containing the Buisford, Whitney, and Woodstock Letters.

The Postmaster General thinks proper to advertise the Publick, that whoever shall apprehend and convict, or cause to be apprehended and convicted, both or either of the Persons who committed the said Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of 200 l. besides the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen.

