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*Naples, February 27.*

**O**N the 6th the Duke di Castropignano set out from hence for the Ecclesiastical State, to take upon him the Command of the King's Troops. The Duke Sforza Cesariné, after having taken Place and covered before the King, as Grandee of Spain, set out from hence on his Return to Rome. The Court has fixed its Departure hence for the Villa of Pertici to the 2d of March. Last Week the King made a Promotion of General Officers, amongst whom Don Nicholas de Sangro has been appointed Captain General of his Forces in this Kingdom, in the room of the Duke di Castropignano, who commands the Army in the Ecclesiastical State. The Convoy of 24 Transports, escorted by the Ships of War St. Phillip and Parthenope, sailed from Messina on the 13th Instant, on their Voyage to the Adriatick Sea, there to land the Artillery, Ammunition and Military Stores for the Expedition to Lombardy.

*Rome, March 3.* On the 10th of last Month, a Wooden Bridge was ordered to be built over the Tiber at Monte Rotondo, for the Passage of four Companies of Gunners from Naples and Gaeta, one Hundred of which on the 14th passed near the Walls of this City on their March to join the Neapolitan and Spanish Army. Baron Scarlatti, the Bavarian Minister, has presented to the Pope a Letter of Notification from his Master, of his Election to the Imperial Throne. On the 23d the Baron received his Credentials as Envoy Extraordinary, and accordingly had an Audience of the Pope, and has put over the Door of his Palace, the Arms of the new Emperor. M. Thun has demanded of the Pope, the Passage through the Ecclesiastical State for a Body of 25000 Austrian Troops, but from what Part they are expected is not as yet known. A Party of 30 Austrian Hussars has made an Incurfion as far as Faenza, to discover the Motions of the Spaniards, who are keeping themselves in Guard to prevent a Surprise. The Spanish and Neapolitan Troops continue their March very slowly through this State; the greatest Part of them are at Pesaro, which it seems they design as a Place of Arms. A Tumult has lately happened at Spoleti, between the Inhabitants and the Spaniards on Account of Deserters, which the latter pretend the Inhabitants had assisted, in which 24 Spaniards and some of the Inhabitants were killed. An Edict was lately published on the Part of the Government, imposing heavy Penalties on such Persons as shall disrespectfully of the Powers at War. On the 21st died Cardinal Coiro, by which the Fourteenth Cardinal's Hat is become vacant. M. Thun, the Queen of Hungary's Minister, has lately presented a Memorial to the Secretary of State, to prevent the Acknowledgement of the new Emperor: The Pope has, notwithstanding, in a Consistory

which he held on the 28th past, acknowledged that Prince, and caused the usual Functions on such an Occasion to be performed; on which the Palaces of the Cardinals, Ministers and Roman Barons were illuminated for two Evenings successively, those of Cardinal del Giudice, M. Thun, M. Franchini, Prince of Santa Croce, and Bracciano excepted. It is confirm'd, that Cardinal Borghese is to have the Protectorship of the Empire, in which case Prince Borghese will accept the Embassy of the Empire. The Spanish Troops are advanced no farther than Rimini, whither the Artillery from Naples was to be transported from Ancona, and as the Spanish Engineers had measured the Walls of that Place, and observed the Country about it, it is thought, that they design to remain there for some Time.

*Turin, March 7, N. S.* The Preparations for the Campaign are carrying on with the utmost Diligence. The King of Sardinia's Troops, to the Number of 22 Battallions and 18 Squadrons of Horse, were ordered to begin their March as Yesterday, and to advance into the Pavesan, the Plai'antine, and the Duchy of Iarma, with the necessary Train of Field Artillery, Ammunition, and Stores, where they are to be posted in such a Manner as to be united in a Body in twice 24 Hours if requisite, in order to march to the Enemy, and back the Hungar an Troops in the Modenese. The General Officers are all named, and are already set out, or on the Point of setting out for the Army; and it is not questioned but between the 15th and 20th Instant the King of Sardinia will leave Turin, and put himself at the Head of his Troops. Yesterday Prince Mansfelt passed through this Town in his Way to Rome, whither he is going with the Character of the Emperor's Ambassador to the Pope.

*Florence, March 11.* In Consequence of the Orders sent by M. de Montemar to the Marquis de Castellar, to change the Rout, and to proceed by Valdarno to Arezzo, Borgo, St. Sepolero, &c. into the Romagna, instead of going to Bologna (as it was stipulated at Pesaro between M. de Montemar and M. Velluti, the Tuscan Commissary) in order to join those under his Command, and the Neapolitan Troops by a shorter Passage through Furlo and Urbino in the Ecclesiastical State, on the 5th Instant, the said Column passed under the Walls of Florence, as did on the 7th the second, and on the 9th the third Column, all Foot, conducting each of them their Field Baggage, their small Brass Field Cannon, and a suitable Quantity of Ammunition and military Stores, and were followed this Day by the fourth Column, amounting hitherto in all to about 11000. They have paid in ready Money for the Provisions and other Necessaries they have had Occasion for, and observed hitherto a good Discipline: Many of the Nobility and Inhabitants of Florence were to see the Passage of these Troops without occasioning any Disorder or Tumult,

