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Petersbourg, March 27, O. S.

THIS Afternoon arrived here Sir Cyril Wich, Minister Plenipotentiary from his Britannick Majesty to the Czarina. It is expected that we shall have an Army of Fourscore Thousand Men, regular Troops, in a short Time in Finland, besides the Cossacks and Calmucks, who have already very much harrassed the Swedes, and obtained some Advantages.

Vienna, April 14. There is no positive Advice of the Prussians and Saxons in Moravia, but that the latter have taken towards Saar by Czernahora, and the former towards Olmutz. The Queen has already three Regiments of Horse, and a proportionable Number of Huslars at Wislaw, who are said to have arrived Time enough to extinguish the Fire that the Prussians had set to that Place. It is assured, that the main Army will be as this Day at Brinn.

Rome, April 14, N. S. Upon the repeated Representations made by the Sardinian and Austrian Ministers to the Pope, that in case the Spaniards should take the Town of Ferrara, as they seem'd willing to do, for a Place of Arms, the Troops of the King of Sardinia, jointly with those of the Queen of Hungary, would be obliged to attack them, which would occasion the Ruin of the Town, and of the Country thereabouts, the Pope has at last been induced to take into his Service a sufficient Number of Swiss Soldiers, to remain in Garrison in the Town of Ferrara during the Continuance of this present War. Cardinal Coscia has obtained of the Pope a Brief of total Absolution, in consequence whereof, he has given a free Renunciation of his Archbishoprick of Benevento to the Prelate Landi. The Chevalier Ferretti, Commissary from the Pope to the Duke de Montemar, has been recalled, and sent to his Country of Perugia, for having had high Words with the Duke, and even challenging him to fight, and his Commission has been given to the Sieur Fozcarelli. The Cardinal Tencin has charged himself with the Extraordinary Embassy from the Emperor, which is to last forty Days, and is appointed for obtaining the Pope's Confirmation of his Election. They write from Rimini, the general Quarters of the Spanish Army, that the Duke de Montemar has had some new Differences with the Duke de Castro Pignano; that the Spanish Horse was

arrived at Imola, and on the Borders of the Bolognese; and that the Germans are cantoned between Bagnolo and St. Martin di Sechia; that their General Quarters is at Careggio; and that their Huslars, who were sent to reconnoitre the Enemy, have on the other Side of Bologna, taken some Spanish Horses and sold them at Modena. The Duke of Modena is fortifying Rubiera, between Modena and Reggio, and his Serene Highness is getting his Field Equipage in a Readiness to put himself at the Head of his Troops.

Brinn, April 15. Baron Buckou, Adjutant-General, arrived here To-day, and brought the following Relation from General Philibert to Prince Charles. General Philibert being ordered by his Serene Highness Prince Charles to observe, with a Detachment of 2000 Horse and 1000 Croats, the Motions of the Saxons, was informed the 14th, that there were a good Number of them in Wels and Oslaw; wherefore, having taken two Peasants for Guides, he marched quietly in the Night-time to Oslaw, and arrived there at Break of Day, just at the Time when Cosel's Regiment of Foot was preparing to march from thence. The said General ordered them to be immediately attacked by 500 Croats, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Maguire, which was done with such Vigour, that, after a Resistance from the Enemy which lasted an Hour and a Quarter, they defeated the whole Regiment, having killed the Lieutenant-Colonel, 3 Captains, 5 Lieutenants, 5 Ensigns, and 340 Men, upon the Field of Battle; the Colonel, named Sedens, who received four dangerous Wounds, 4 Captains, 4 Lieutenants, as many Ensigns, and 188 Men, were made Prisoners of War. The Booty consists of four Cannon, three Colours, and the military Chest, and all their Baggage. On our Part we had only 10 Men killed, and 20 wounded. A Succour from the Enemy arrived towards the latter End of the Action, but they retired with great Precipitation upon General Philibert's sending a Detachment of Horse towards them.

Vienna, April 18. Count Khevenhuller has thought proper to raise the Siege of Straubing, in order to his uniting all his Troops, having chosen a very advantageous Camp between Plattling and Dinkelsing, not only for the Reception of the Enemy, but for making himself Master of the River Isser.

Leipzig, April 23, N. S. The Saxon Army

