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Petersbourg, January 4.

ON Sunday last the Corps of Cadets, consisting of 320 young Gentlemen, whereof 200 are of the Russian Nation, and the rest of Livonia and the adjoining Provinces, were presented before her Imperial Majesty in the great Hall of the Palace. One of the Russian Youths made a Speech to the Empress in the German Language, another in French, and one of the Livonians in Russ, congratulating her Imperial Majesty on her Return to Petersbourg, and begging the Continuance of her Majesty's Protection in the Imperial Academy, where they are trained up for the Army, and taught Languages, Mathematicks, and all Arts and Exercises proper for Gentlemen. They were very graciously received, and had all the Honour to kiss her Imperial Majesty's Hand. The same Day Count Nils Bonde, Baron Hamilton, and Baron Scheffer, who were lately sent hither as Deputies from the States of Sweden, upon their having declared the Duke of Holstein (the present great Duke of Russia) Successor to the Crown of Sweden, were conducted to Court in three of her Imperial Majesty's Coaches, and were introduced by the proper Officers to a publick Audience of his Imperial Highness. Count Bonde made a Speech to the Great Duke in German, and Prince Sherbatow, formerly Russian Minister in England, returned an Answer in French. This Morning the said Swedish Deputies have been in Conference with the Russian Ministers, and were entertained at Dinner by the Vice-Chancellor Count Bestucheff.

Petersbourg, Jan. 8. On Thursday last, being Twelfth Day, the Bishop of Petersbourg, attended with the inferior Clergy, performed the Ceremony of Blessing the Waters, according to the Usage of the Greek Church. A large Hole was made in the Ice on the River Newa for that Purpose. The Empress assisted at the Solemnity, and washed her Face with the blessed Water. Children were brought to the Bishop and baptized by him in the said Water, and many grown Persons dipped themselves therein. Also great Quantities of the same were carried away, it being thought to receive extraordinary salutiferous and purifying Virtue by the Benediction of the Bishop. Last Night the Swedish Deputies set out from hence on their Return to Stockholm. Their Expences have been defrayed by the Empress; and they have received a Present of 5000 Rubles to be divided amongst them.

Naples, Jan. 15. A Convoy of 30 Transports anchored lately at this Port, laden with Wheat from the different Ports of this Kingdom:

Two other Convoys are expected from Sicily and the Levant, in order to provide this Capital and the Magazines with the necessary Provisions. Four Row-boats that were cruizing in the Adriatick are returned hither, and are ordered to be laid up in the Gally Mole during the Winter. They are continuing the military Dispositions here, and strict Charge has been repeated to the military Officers to compleat their Regiments, and not to absent themselves from them, under Pain of the severest Chastisement. The King has appointed Count Bolognini, Gentleman of his Bed-chamber, to relieve Marques Malaspina, his Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of Dresden, on account of the Indisposition of the latter.

Rome, Jan. 19. The vacant Archbishoprick of Milan, 'tis said, is to be given to M. Visconti, Auditor di Ruota. On the 14th Abbé Paluzzi, Agent of the Duke of Modena, entred a Protest against the Disposall of the Inheritance of the late Cardinal Cibo, on account of the Pretensions formed thereupon by the Duke his Master. Cardinal Guerini has succeeded to the vacant Bishoprick of Padoua, having renounced that of Brescia.

Florence, Jan. 22. On the 15th, M. Ginori, a Florentine Nobleman, and Member of the Regency, returned hither from Vienna. The Electress Dowager Palatine has been indisposed for some Days past with a slight Fever, but is now on the mending Hand. The Armies in Lombardy remain in their former Situation. Marshal Traun set out lately for Milan, having left the Command of the Austrian Troops, to General Schulemburg. The Spanish General Officers divert themselves at the Opera at Bologna. On the 18th, Six Hundred of their Sick Soldiers were removed from Bologna to Imola for better Conveniencies for their Cure.

Hamburgh, Feb. 8. N. S. It blew so hard a Storm the Night before last at North-west, that the extraordinary Swelling of the Elbe caused Yesterday an Inundation in the lower Part of this Town, where the Streets were, some five, some six Foot under Water. As yet we do not hear of any great Damage which the Storm has caused, but we are apprehensive that we may learn some ill Effects of it.

Paris, Feb. 9, N. S. We have no News at present, of any Kind from the Army. The Troops that come from Prague are still said to be continuing their March towards the Rhine, and the Gendarmerie, the Regiments of Noailles and D'au mont, Horte, and Noailles, Biron, Artois, and La Marche, Foot, making in all 12 Squadrons, and six Battalions, are also upon their Return from Bavaria. M. de Bellisle is expected here this Day Sennight.

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