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Florence, March 23. N. S.

THE Spanish Army, accompanied by 15 Battalions and 9 Squadrons of Neapolitan Troops, continue their March in several Columns towards the Romagna. Prince Lobcowitz lately detached a Party of his Hussars and some Croats to Pesaro, Fano, and Sinigaglia, in order to observe the Enemy. From this last Town they carried off a Spanish Officer who was recruiting there, together with all his Money and Recruits. His Highness has also caused his Artillery to advance from Boulogne, and is making all the necessary Dispositions to retard the Enemy, till such Time as he can be enabled, by the Junction of a sufficient Reinforcement, to act upon the Offensive. It is thought, that the Queen's Army will take Post at Forli, between the Rivers Ronco and Montone. We have other Advices here, confirmed by Deserters, who come in every Day, that the whole Army under Count Gage does not exceed 22000 Men, including Sick. The greatest Part of the Deserters, who pass through Tuscany, are French, who are returning into their own Country, in order to take the Benefit of the General Pardon, which the Court of France has lately published. The General Botta Adorno is expected here soon. He has been named by the Grand Duke to command his Troops in Tuscany, in the room of Baron Braitwitz, who has demanded and obtained Leave to retire. The Count de Richecourt, it is said, is named by the Grand Duke as his Minister at the Diet of Election at Franckfort, and his Brother, Minister at Turin, in the mean while, is to perform his Office in Tuscany. We have a Report here, as if the grand Magazine of Provisions and Forrage, which the Spaniards had at Fano, had been burnt. If this be true, it will greatly retard their Operations.

Geneva, March 26. The Spanish Troops that wintered in Savoy, the greatest Part of which consists of Cavalry, having received Orders within these few Days to quit that Country, and to march into the County of Nice, are already in Motion that Way. The Troops remaining in Savoy will consist only of a sufficient Body for raising the Contributions, which are so excessive, that the Country is already almost ruined by them.

St. James's, April 6.

Yesterday Morning about Four of the Clock his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland set out for Harwich to embark there for Holland, from whence his Royal Highness will proceed immediately to Flanders, in order to put himself at the Head of the Confederate Army.

(Price Two-Pence.)

Whitehall, April 6.

His Majesty has been pleased to make the following Promotions in his Army, viz.

General of Foot, The Right Honourable John Earl of Dunmore.

Majors General, William Blakeney, Humphry Bland, James Ogletorpe, Esqrs. the Right Honourable John Lord Delawar, and his Grace Charles Duke of Marlborough.

Admiralty-Office, April 6.

Letters from Vice-Admiral Martin, dated the 29th past, give Account, that on the 26th of the same Month, at Day-break, being then about 40 Leagues S. W. from Ushant, he fell in with five Sail of French Merchant Ships, and by Ten came up with them and took them. Two of them came from Martinico, and the other Three from Leogan, bound to Bourdeaux and Nantz, laden with Sugar, some Indigo, Coffee, and a few Bales of Cotton.

War-Office, April 1, 1745.

His Majesty having signified his Pleasure that all Deserters from any of His Majesty's Regiments of Horse, Dragoons, Foot Guards, and Foot, now confined in any County Goal, House of Correction, or other Place of Security, in Great Britain, for Desertion, be immediately sent for up to the Savoy, there to remain till further Orders.

It is His Majesty's farther Pleasure, that for the future, all Soldiers, (whether Horse, Dragoons, or Foot) tried, and found guilty of Disobedience of Orders, in absenting themselves from their Duty and Quarters, without Leave, above six Days at one Time, should, in like Manner, be immediately sent up to the Savoy, in order to be draughted for Recruiting such of his Majesty's Regiments as now are or may be in the West-Indies, Minorca, Gibraltar, or the Plantations.

And whereas several Soldiers may have deserted from different Regiments, and may be at this Time again enlisted in other Corps in his Majesty's Service,

His Majesty is graciously pleased hereby to grant his Pardon to all such Deserters as aforesaid; (excepting such as are in actual Custody for such Offences) and likewise to declare, it is his Royal Intentions, that they shall continue in his Service, in the Regiment in which they now yet are, without being molested, or reclaimed by the Officers of the respective Corps to which they did formerly belong.

His Majesty is likewise pleased to grant his most gracious Pardon to all such Deserters as shall surrender themselves to the respective Corps to which they belong on or before the first Day of May next.

By His Majesty's Command,
Will. Yonge.

Mint Office, April 2, 1745.

Notice is hereby given to all Persons who shall be desirous of contracting to supply his Majesty's Mint in the Tower of London with Two Hundred Tons of Copper, of a certain Weight, the said Copper to be delivered in Killets, neat, and of such a Fineness as to spread thin under the Hammer, without cracking, when heated red hot, for the coining of Halfpence and Farthings,