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Naples, February 24.

**O**n the 18th Instant their Majesties, attended by their respective Retinues and Guards, set out for Bovino, to pass some few Days a Hunting in those Woods; before their Departure, the French Ambassador notified to them the Pregnancy of the Dauphiness; as did a Minister, who lately arrived at this Court from that of Turin, the Marriage lately concluded between their Royal Highnesses the Duke of Savoy, and the Infanta of Spain. General Count Dollon, the new Ambassador from the King of Poland, was introduced to an Audience of their Majesties for the first Time on his Arrival at this City. The Marquis of Castramontes, the late King's Minister to the Republick of Venice, has been appointed Minister to the Court of Turin. By Directions of the Committee of the Marine, the necessary Dispositions are making for the building of two Xebèques. We are now actually fitting out two Tartan Cruizers belonging to the Merchants of this City, and are repairing the new Frigates la Reine, Notre Dame de la Conception, and a Ship of War, and four Half Gallies, so as to have this Armament soon ready to put to Sea to cruize against the Barbary Pirates.

Rome, Feb. 28. A few Days ago the Ornaments of the fine Altar, and the Plate belonging to it for the Chapel of the King of Portugal, were embarked on board a Portuguese Ship at Civita Vecchia, which for greater Security is to be escorted to Lisbon by a Maltese Ship of War. The Pope has conferred on Cardinal Bardy, the Abbey of Zenone in Tuscany.

Florence, March 6. On the 2d Instant Affam Effendi, Treasurer of the Bey of Tripoli, and his Minister to the Emperor, after he had seen the Principal Curiosities of Florence, and the respective Compliments had passed between him and the Members of the Regency, set out from this City on his Journey to Vienna; he chose to travel on Horseback to avoid the Fatigue of a Post Chaise, to which he was not accustomed: He insisted upon carrying with him the Barbary Horses for the Emperor, tho' it was insinuated to him that they would be very troublesome upon the Road, as well as eight Slaves Subjects to the Empress, which the Bey of Tripoli charged him to present to their Imperial Majesties; during his Stay at Florence he was entertained at the Expence of the Emperor, but being now on his Journey to Vienna, the Regency have ordered a Procaccia

to attend him, to whom they have given a sufficient Sum of Money to defray his Expences upon the Road.

Paris, March 25, N. S. M. de Berkenroode, Ambassador from their High Mightinesses the States General of the United Provinces, arrived here the Day before Yesterday, and has notified his Arrival at Versailles; but no Day is yet fixed for his private Audiences.

Pay Office, Horse Guards, March 20, 1749-50.  
The Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury having directed Six Months Half Pay to the reduced Officers of his Majesty's Land Forces and Marines to the 24th of December last; as also Six Months Allowance to the Officers and private Gentlemen of his Majesty's Third and Fourth Troops of Horse Guards lately disbanded, for the same Time; Notice is hereby given, that on Monday next the 26th Instant, Attendance will be given at the abovesaid Office for Payment of the same accordingly.

A. Sawyer.

Tower of London, Feb. 19, 1749.

The Principal Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance do hereby give Notice to all Persons whatsoever, who are willing to undertake the Masons and Bricklayers Work for the New Fort intended to be erected at Ardersfer Point, near Inverness in Scotland, that they may leave Proposals in Writing, sealed up, at the Office here, on or before Friday the 30th of March next, when they will be duly considered; and those contracted with, who will engage to execute the same with the best Materials, in the most substantial and workman-like Manner, and on the cheapest Terms.

By Order of the Board,

Charles Bush.

General Post-Office, Jan. 30, 1749.

Publick Notice is hereby given, That the Correspondence, by Letters, between these Kingdoms and the Kingdom of Spain, is now opened by the Means of Packet Boats, between Falmouth and the Groyne, and that the first Mail for Spain will be forwarded from this Office upon Tuesday the 20th Day of the next Month of February, and will continue, for the Future, to go out from hence upon the Tuesday of every Fortnight, as usual heretofore in former Times of Peace.

By Command of the Postmaster General,  
Geo. Shelvocke, Secretary.

Mercers Hall, London, March 19, 1749.

The Master and Wardens of the Mercers Company in London, desire the Company's Apprentices and Bond Creditors to meet the General Court of the said Company, at their Hall in Cheapside, London, on Friday the 23d Instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, to receive the Committee's Report of the Terms and Conditions for granting a new Lease of the Company's Estate in Ireland.

Chas. Crumpe, Clerk.

( Price Two-Pence. )

