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Sto kholme, Sept. 7.

Two dayes since arrived here a Trumpet with Letters from the King to the Queen-Mother, and to the Senate, wherein his Majesty gives them an account of the Victory he had obtained over the *Danish* Troops commanded by Major-General *Duncan*, at *Helsingbørd*, which has occasioned the greater joy here, for that the conjunction of the *Sieur Guldentj*, with the King of *Denmark*, will be hindered thereby. Yesterday *Te Deum* was sung in all our Churches and all the Artillery about the Town were thrice discharged. The Assembly of the States of this Kingdom will be begun about the latter end of this month. There daily passes Troops through this place, going to our Army.

Naples, Sept. 9. Here is arrived a Gally from *Palermo*, to fetch *Don Beltran di Guevarra*, who is to command the *Spanish* Squadron of Men of War at present at *Palermo* as Lieutenant-General; the said Gally brought hither *d' Augustino di Gusman*, Colonel of a Regiment which he had quitted in some disgust. The *French* Fleet is at Sea, commanded by the Duke *de Vivonne* in person, and we are afraid his design is upon *Catanea* or *Melazzo*; as to the latter, the Viceroy has caused all Foreigners, who are not in the Kings service, to leave the place: 85 Banditi, who had received money of our Viceroy, to serve the King, have instead thereof purchased several Feluccas, with which they commit many Piracies at Sea.

Rigi, Sept. 11. The *Moscovites* having drawn a Body of about 30000 Men together on our Frontiers towards *Plesco*, at a time when there remained several differences concerning the Limits, &c. between us and them, gave us great reason to apprehend they had intention to take the advantage of the present Conjunction, to make War upon us, and therefore our Governour general caused our Troops to be reinforced, and all things to be put into a posture of defence; but at present we are quite delivered of those fears, by the advice we receive that the Czar of *Moscovy* has sent positive orders to his forces, which are near *Plesco*, to march immediately towards the *Ukrain*, to employ themselves against the *Turks* and *Tartars*; and if this News is confirmed, we shall transport part of the Troops that are at present in this Countrey, into *Sueden*, to be employed against the *Danes*.

Legorn, Sept. 15. From *Rome* we have nothing new concerning the Conclave, but in general it is said, that Cardinal *Odescatchi Stan* is the fairest to be chosen Pope. The Cardinal *Grialdis*, *Ludovisis* and *Baden* were entered into the Conclave, where their number is at present 63 in all, so that there are only two absent, viz. the Cardinal *Landgrave*, and the Cardinal of *Aragon*, who are not expected. The Letters we receive from *Reggio* and *Melazzo*, confirm what we told you in our last, concerning the *French* Fleets being at Sea again, though when these Letters came away, they had not made any attempt upon the *Spaniards*, but only Cruised in the Bay of *Messina*. At *Palermo* the People continue to be very disorderly, as they are likewise at *Brindish*, occa-

sioned by a dispute with one of the Kings Collectors, who has been removed by the Viceroy from his employment; to prevent farther mischief. The Magistrates of Health here, have, by the example of those of other places, recalled the order they made against ships coming from *Genoua*, being assured that that City is in very good health. Here is arrived the Marquis of *Bayonne* from *Naples*, on his way to *Spain*.

Vicenna, Sept. 23. There is now great expectation at Court, that the Emperor will very suddenly declare his Marriage, which will be celebrated at *Linz*; and accordingly the orders have been given for the furnishing the Emperors Palace there, and making the other preparations that are necessary. The Queen Dowager of *Poland* is finally parted from *Neustadt*, and was to arrive yesterday at *Graiz*, where her Majesty will keep her residence. His Imperial Majesty has by an Express received an account of the reduction of *Philipsburgh*, which News is so much the more welcome here, as it was unexpected. General *Cops*, who at present commands the Imperial Troops in *Pomeran*, is declared General of the Artillery, in the room of Prince *Pio*, who was killed with a Cannon Baller before *Philipsburg*; and the Regiment the said Prince had, is given to the Count *d'Arch*. The Regiment of *Herbersteyn* is ordered to march into *Hungary*, to be employed against the Rebels, who, it is said, have lately appeared to the number of 7000 in a Body near *Wefermany*. The Turkish Chiaus who arrived here the 12 instant, had the next day Audience of Count *Montecuculi*, President of the Council of War, to whom he made instance for the liberty of the *Bassa*, and several other Turkish Officers, who were taken Prisoners some time since.

Strasburgh, Sept. 25. The Imperialists and the Troops of the Circles, which have been employed in the Siege of *Philipsburgh*, had the 22 instant their quarters at *Bischoym*, where they rested the 23, yesterday they marched again, and this evening will have joined the Imperial Army at *Griesheim* near *Offenburg*, from whence the Duke of *Lorraine* will certainly decamp to-morrow, and march towards the Enemy who lie encamped near *Brisfac*. We are told that part of the *French* Infantry has repassed the *Rhine*, and that the Duke of *Luxemburg* will have a Flying Camp near *Saverne*, the Governor of that place, as well as of *Hagenaw*, lay up a great store of Provisions. The Count of *Strum*, who convoyed the Garrison of *Philipsburg* to *Hagenaw*, has passed our Bridge with the Troops under his command, and is gone to join the Duke of *Lorraine*.

Spire, Sept. 25. Three thousand Boors are constantly at work to repair the Fortifications of *Philipsburgh*, where the Prince of *Baden* still continues to give the necessary orders; the Imperial Garrison is increased to 4000 men. In the mean time the Bishop of *Spire*, to whom the place did anciently belong, has received the Homage of the Magistrates, and has established several Offices, and ordered other matters relating to the Civil Government.

Cologne, Sept. 29. From *Limbourg* on the *Laen* they write,