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Warsaw, April 7.

**T**HE Dyet, which is still assembled, hath at length come to a resolution concerning the number of Troops that shall be always kept on foot, viz. 12000 in *ithuania*, and 12000 in *Poland*, for the maintenance of which, a necessary Fond will be provided; and it hath been likewise ordered, that none of the Troops which are now on foot shall be disbanded, till the Palatin of *Culm*, designed Ambassador Extraordinary to the Port, be returned from thence, with the Ratification of the late Treaty. The King hath declared to the Dyet his intentions of confirming all former Treaties of friendship and alliance between the Emperor and this Kingdom, as likewise between us and the Elector of *Brandenburg*. The Palatin of *Lublin*, appointed to go Ambassador to the Treaty at *Nimeguen*, is preparing for his journey. Their Majesties will after Easter go to *Prussia*, and particularly intend to make some stay at *Danzicke*, where great preparation is accordingly making for their receptions.

*Naples*, April 7. This week our Viceroy has given out Commissions for the raising more Forces for the service of *Sicily*. Some days since 30 French ships passed almost in sight of this Port, being laden with provisions for *Misina*; of which we hear three have been cast away in bad weather near *Catanea*, and another taken near *Siracusa*. The Viceroy of *Sicily* remains still at *Palermo*, and, as we are informed, hath signified to the Consuls of the Foreign Nations residing there, that they should each fit out a Brigantine to be employed for the security of their Commerce against the French Privateers, to which they answered, that they could do nothing therein, without direction from their Principals.

*Madrid*, April 8. The Kings departure for his journey to *Arragon*, remains fixed for the 22d instant, and all things are providing accordingly. The Cardinal d' *Arragon*, the Count de *Villa Ombrosa*, President of *Castille*, the Count de *Medelin*, President of the Council of *Indies*, and the Duke d' *Alba*, are appointed to govern matters during the Kings absence. Upon the representation made by the Council of State, the King has caused a Decree to be published, in which it is declared, that his Highness Don *Juan of Austria*, shall for the future be treated on all occasions as Infante of *Spain*; and accordingly on Sunday last his Highness accompanied the King to the Chappel; where he had a Chair given him, at a small distance behind the King. On Monday last the Count de *Herrach*, the Emperors Ambassador went hence to *Toledo*, to wait upon the Queen, to whom he had matters to impart from the Emperor.

*Vienna*, April 18. The news we receive from *Hungary* is not very good; for notwithstanding the offers of pardon and free enjoyment of their Religion and Estates made them by the Emperor, the Rebels continue in Arms, and commit great disorders, having, as is said, been lately supplied with large Sums of Money, with promise of more; and besides, we are somewhat jealous that the Turks give them privately all the assistance

they can, notwithstanding we are assured by our Minister at the Port, that the Grand Signior is resolved to confirm the peace he has with the Emperor, and to make War upon the Moscovites, who are in possession of part of the *Ukraine*, which is claimed by the *Ottomans*.

*Copenhagen*, April 20. We are sending every day fresh Troops over to *Schonen*, and especially the Cavalry; and we hope in a month or six Weeks to see our whole Army in the Field, which will be considerably reinforced by the Troops furnished by the Bishop of *Munster*, and the Landgrave of *Hessen Cassel*. The Suedes have not of late attempted any action, their King it seems expecting fresh Supplies from *Sueden*; and in the mean time giving his Soldiers time to refresh themselves. *Christiansstadt* holds out still, and if the Besieged cannot make their Provisions serve but one Month longer, they will assuredly be relieved. The Sieur *Mauritius*, who hath been some time a prisoner, as you have been heretofore told, is now sentenced to die; and yet we do not know the Crimes charged upon him. The Sieur *Guldenstien* is expected here from *Norway* yet before the end of this month; he will have the chief command of the Army under the King: the Duke of *Holstein* having wholly quitted this service.

*Hamburg*, April 20. We have Letters from *Berlin* of the 18th instant, which say, that their Electoral Highnesses of *Brandenburg* were expected back there from *Wesel* in six or seven days; That in the mean time their Troops began to march from their several quarters, and that it was certain they would begin the Campaign with the Siege of *Stetin*, which has in a manner been blocked up this Winter: and as we persuade ourselves, is in want of several things necessary for its defence. The States of the *Lower Saxony*, having been lately assembled at *Brunswicke*, and have, as we are told, among other things, resolved to send a Deputation in their names to *Nimeguen*.

*Francfort*, April 21. The Imperial Troops are now marching from their respective quarters, and, will, it is believed have their Rendezvous near *Oppenheim*; where they will pass the *Rhine*, and follow those other Troops that are already descended towards the *Moselle*; and when all these Forces are joined together, the Duke of *Lorraine* will have an Army of 40000 fighting men; with which, it is said here, that he will enter *Lorraine*. The Troops of the Circles, with some of the Emperors, will be employed under the command of the Electoral Prince of *Saxony* in *Briffow*, from whence we hear that the French work hard on the Fortifications of *Brifac*; as if they apprehend that place would be besieged. The Marquis de *los Barbades*, the first of the Spanish Ambassadors for the Treaty at *Nimeguen*, is arrived at *Ratisbonne*, on his way thither. The *Leinberg* and *Munster* Forces continue in their quarters.

*Strasburg*, April 23. The Imperial Troops which have had their Winter-quarters in these parts, are on their march, which are to be joined by those of the Circles, and several Regiments of the Elector of *Saxony*